

### **FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

As we draw to the end of a school year, you should be proud of your children and the staff here at St. John Bosco. Thanks to Fr. Peter for his on-going spiritual leadership, guidance and willingness to open the church up to having our children attend mass every Wednesday. To the staff at St. John Bosco as everyone continued to work together to do what is best for students. The strength, support and resiliency from our entire school community was noticed throughout and truly appreciated. Take time this summer to have fun and enjoy the beautiful summer season that God has given us!

### **2025-26 Bell Times**

8:25 Morning Supervision  
8:35 Entry Bell  
2:45 End of Day Routines  
2:55 Dismissal Bell

Take Care,



Mr. C. Kerho  
Acting Principal

### **CLASSROOM PLACEMENT SEPTEMBER 2025**



This year, notification of classroom placement will happen in the last week of August. You will be able to access this information through the Parent Portal. Report Cards will also be available to parents through the Parent Portal starting the week of June 23, 2025. Please note that our community is changing and growing—this can affect the number of classrooms and the classroom teachers.

### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Registration for September 2025 is underway! Children must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2025 to be eligible for Kindergarten Year One. Children Our current Kindergarten Year 1 students will automatically be registered for Kindergarten Year Two.

If you know of families in our school community who have young children, please pass this information along. Visit the Niagara Catholic District School Board website for online registration here. Once completed, someone from the office will contact you.

The following documents will be needed to register your child:

- 1) Birth Certificate
- 2) Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate
- 3) Name and Phone numbers of two Emergency Contacts
- 4) Proof of Address (Parent / Guardian driver's license or utility bill)
- 5) Proof of residency (if born outside of Canada)
- 6) Custody papers (if applicable)



### **MEDICAL INFORMATION FOR NEXT YEAR**

In June, parents/guardians of students with anaphylaxis and/or other medical emergency protocol will receive documentation to complete for the 2025-2026 school year. This will allow parents/guardians time to schedule appointments with their child's physician over the summer break.

Please send updated paperwork (with physician's input and signature) together with applicable medications/EPI pens, etc. to school on the first day of school (Tuesday, September 2, 2025). This information will be gathered and used by school staff to update our students' confidential record in September. Thank you for supporting us in keeping your child safe.

**REMEMBER FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 IS A PA DAY. NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS!!**

## **END OF THE YEAR**

If you are thinking about an end of the year gift for a staff member, we would kindly ask that you consider a donation towards St. John Bosco Catholic Church or Niagara Nutrition Partners. More information can be provided by calling the office or e-mailing [st.johnbosco@ncdsb.com](mailto:st.johnbosco@ncdsb.com)

## **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES**

We would like to congratulate all of our Grade 8 students who will be graduating on Wednesday, June 18th at 6:00 pm. We will be celebrating the accomplishments of our Grade 8 students at the graduation ceremony that will take place here at the school beginning at 6:00 pm. Congratulations!!

## **LOCKDOWN PRACTICE**

We will be conducting a practice Lockdown – External Threat on Tuesday, June 10th, 2025. The practice will take approximately ten (10) minutes and at no time will students or staff be in any potential threat or danger. Lockdown procedures are in place and practiced in all Niagara Catholic schools throughout this school year. Similar to fire drills, classroom teachers will review the procedures that students must follow during a Lockdown. The simulation lockdown practice drill gives students and staff the opportunity to implement our School and Board Emergency Response Plan.

## **END OF SCHOOL YEAR MASS**

Parents and family members are invited to join us as we celebrate a fantastic school year at our year end mass. We will be celebrating our year end mass on Tuesday, June 17th @ 10:00 am. We look forward to seeing you!

## **TALENT SHOW**

As you are aware, St. John Bosco students have a lot of talent! We would like to invite our parent community to our Talent Show that is taking place on the last day of school - Friday, June 27th beginning at 9:30 am. We will start with our younger students and work our way.

## **END OF YEAR CLASS TRIPS**

June usually brings about our end of the year class trips, while the class trips are outlined on the calendar, here is a list of what is going on:

DATE	CLASS	DESTINATION
Thursday, June 5, 2025	Grade 6, 7	Cave Springs
Thursday, June 19, 2025	Gr 1, 2, 3	Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park
Friday, June 20, 2025	Kindergarten	Lucky Stryx Bowling
Friday, June 20, 2025	Grade 4, 5	Parkway Social

## **Fathers in Our Lives**

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives. Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail. We ask for Your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.



This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways--both big and small--they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent; grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, pastors and coaches and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You. In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.



## *Volunteers Needed*

**DO YOU HAVE A COUPLE HOURS TO  
SPARE A MONTH?  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN  
STUDENT LIFE AT ST. JOHN BOSCO?**

WE ARE VERY HAPPY TO SHARE THAT WE ARE A BINGO SCHOOL THROUGH DELTA BINGO IN WELLAND. THIS SCHOOL WIDE FUNDRAISER BRINGS IN \$1000+ TO SJB, AND CONTRIBUTES TO TREAT DAYS, SCHOOL TRIPS, AND EQUIPMENT UPGRADES.

TO HELP KEEP THIS PROGRAM RUNNING, WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF VOLUNTEERS. TWO VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED PER SHIFT, TO GREET AND WELCOME PATRONS AT THE DOORWAY IN THE BINGO CENTRE.

THE GOAL IS TO CONTRIBUTE \$30 TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR TRIP, FOR EACH STUDENT.

THIS PROGRAM RUNS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL, AND YOUR NAME WILL BE GIVEN TO THE BINGO LEADS TO SET UP TRAINING, AND A SCHEDULE.

*WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED  
SUPPORT IN BUILDING A WONDERFUL  
SCHOOL COMMUNITY!*



# Niagara Region Public Health School Health Newsletter

## June 2025

### Things that Bite!

Ticks, mosquitos, and rabid animals can be a greater risk as the weather warms up.



Mosquitoes transmit the [West Nile virus](#) to humans after becoming infected by feeding on the blood of infected birds, which carry the virus. To learn how to protect your family, visit [Reduce the Risk of West Nile Virus - Niagara Region](#).

The blacklegged (deer) tick can transmit [Lyme disease and other tickborne diseases](#) to humans after becoming infected by feeding on the blood of small animals which carry the disease. To learn how to protect you and your pets, visit [Protect and Prevent Ticks - Niagara Region](#).

[Rabies](#) is transmitted through saliva from bites and scratches, entering an open cut or wound, or from saliva contacting a mucous membrane, such as those in the mouth, nasal cavity, or eyes. To [reduce the risk of rabies](#), it's best to avoid contact with wild animals such as raccoons, skunks, and bats.

For more information and free tick identification, individuals can visit [e-tick](#). General tick information can be found on our [Niagara Region Public Health website](#) or by contacting a Duty Officer directly at 905-688-8248 ext. 7590.

### Head safety – for bikes and other wheels

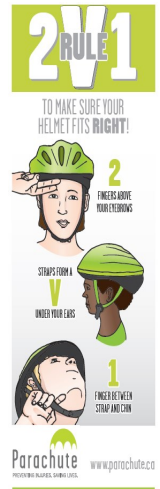
With warmer weather and summer break just around the corner, more kids will be outdoors taking part in activities, such as biking, skate boarding or roller blading.

A [properly fitted and correct helmet](#) can cut the risk of a serious head injury by up to 85%. This means four out of five brain injuries could be prevented if every cyclist wore a helmet.

Bike [helmets](#) should be replaced after five years **or** a crash where the cyclist has hit their head. It's not safe to use a [second-hand helmet](#).

Baseball hats, big hair clips and headphones should never be worn under a helmet.

The human skull is just approximately one centimeter thick, so it is important to remind children to always protect their head when being active. To make sure a helmet fits right, follow the 2V1 Rule (image courtesy of [Parachute Canada](#))



### Bike to School Week 2025

Walking or biking to school is a great way to help kids stay active, healthy, and focused throughout the day and get them out in their communities! Regular physical activity boosts mood, improves fitness, and supports learning by helping kids concentrate better in class. It also helps create safer, less congested school zones by reducing traffic and pollution.

From **June 2–6**, families across Ontario are encouraged to participate in **Bike to School Week**! Invite your child to ride with friends or family, and join in creating a healthier, happier community. To learn more, visit the [Bike to School Week](#) webpage and see how your school can get involved!



## **Make Immunizations Part of Your Summer Checklist!**

As you prepare for the new school year this summer, remember to check if your child's immunizations are up-to-date. If you are unsure, talk to your health care provider or [contact the vaccine team](#) at Public Health. Staying up to date with routine vaccinations helps protect your child from preventable diseases.

If your child needs to get caught up on vaccines, you can:

- Make an appointment with your health care providers
- Visit a walk-in clinic (call ahead to confirm vaccine availability)

Check availability of Public Health vaccination clinics. Call 905-688-8248, extension 7425 (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.)



### **Don't forget to report your child's vaccines to Public Health!**

Every time your child receives a vaccine, it must be reported to Public Health. Doctors, child care facilities, and schools don't do this for you.

The fastest and most convenient way to report vaccines (except COVID-19 and flu shots) or request records is through [Immunization Connect \(ICON\)](#), a secure online system for tracking and reporting immunizations.

For more information on vaccines needed for school, visit: [Baby, Children and Youth Vaccinations](#)

## **FLAG FOOTBALL**

Congratulations to our Girls' Flag Football team who participated in Niagara Catholic's Flag Football Championship in Welland at Young's Sportsplex. Mr. Mastroianni was very proud of the team's effort and sportsmanship. The girls finished with a record of 1 win, 2 losses and 1 tie.



## **Play Day**

Thursday, June 26th

9:15 am - 11:20 am

Please dress for the weather - hat, sunscreen





## TRACK AND FIELD



Congratulations to all of our students from Grade 4-8 who put forth an amazing effort at our school's Track and Field Meet. All students showed great sportsmanship and did their best in participating and cheering each other on. We appreciate the support of all of the family members who came out and showed their support.

On Thursday, May 29th the top finishers from our school meet went on to participate at the Lakeshore Catholic Family of Schools Track and Field Meet. We met some tough competition throughout, but special congratulations go out to Miguel D, Dallas D, Devante S, Kaedyn K, Lucas L, Melvin A, Dylan D, Ava L, Caitlin L, Eva C, Scarlett W, Koree S and Madison D who are going on to the NCDSB Board wide event in St. Catharines on Thursday, June 12th, 2025.

