



St. Stephen C.S.

OCTOBER 2017

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A Prayer for Parents

God of compassion and holiness, we praise You and thank You for the gifts that
You have given our children.

May we teach them to have grateful hearts through our own example.
May they know that if we want thanks, we give thanks; if we want forgiveness, we grant forgiveness;
if we want respect, we give respect; if we want fairness, we act fairly; if we want compassion,
we act compassionately.

God of love, touch us with hope and joy.

May we help our children become discerning believers.
May they be loving companions on our own journeys of faith.

Amen



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We enjoyed a very successful entry into the academic year thanks to all staff and students. The first month has been spent getting to know each other, establishing routines and expectations and beginning the new grade curriculum. Playground routines are working well. Students are reminded regularly of the rules we have to ensure the safety of all. All students may play with Nerf balls, Basketballs and /or tennis balls. Co-curricular activities whereby students have various opportunities to participate in the life of our school community have begun. We encourage our students to share their gifts and talents in various activities such as sports, choir, clubs and Luke 4:18.

We welcome our Catholic School Council members for the year. They have already begun to plan many events. We are also very pleased to have met so many of you at our 'Meet the Teacher Curriculum Night'. We wish to extend our sincere gratitude to all who attended and many thanks to the staff, Catholic School Council, and volunteers who worked hard to prepare for the evening.

On behalf of the entire staff, we wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving shared with family and friends. At this time we are reminded of the importance of thanking God for our many blessings.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Ms. A. Barone
Principal

Mr. A. Modica
Vice Principal

Looking Ahead

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| Oct. 3 | Cross Country |
| Oct. 6 | Much Music |
| | Dance-athon Kick Off |
| Oct. 9 | Thanksgiving |
| Oct. 10 | Thanksgiving Mass |
| Oct. 20 | PA Day |
| Oct. 23 | Gr. 6 Media Trip |
| Oct. 25 | Picture Retake Day |
| Oct. 26 | Anaphylaxis |
| | Presentations |
| Oct. 30 | Gr. 7 Vaccines |
| Oct. 31 | Much Music Dance |
| Nov. 6 | CSC Meeting |
| Nov. 11 | Remembrance Day |
| Nov. 16 | Intermediate Girls |
| | Volleyball Tournament |
| Nov. 23 | Parent/Teacher |
| | Interview Night |
| Nov. 24 | Interviews (am)/ |
| | PA Day |

Mission Statement

Guided by Gospel values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

Vision Statement

Our students will become creative and critical thinkers who integrate Catholic Values into their daily lives, as socially responsible global citizens.

Core Values



Strategic Commitments

Integration of Our
Catholic Faith

Continuous
Improvement of
Student Achievement

Effective Use of
Our Resources

Engaging Our
Communities

INTEGRATION OF OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

The theme for Catholic Education Week is "Renewing the Promise" This theme was introduced to the students at our opening Liturgy on September 11th. Students will engage in activities and lessons that relate to this theme throughout the school year. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches, finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened". – Matthew 7:8



THANKSGIVING MASS

Our Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated in the school gymnasium on **Tuesday, October 10th** at **10:30a.m.** Please come and join us for this celebration.

THANKSGIVING DRIVE

This year's Thanksgiving Food Drive is called "One for Haiti, One for Mercy." All schools across the York Catholic District School Board are participating in this worthy cause and together, all school communities are asking each student to bring **one** food item to school before and after Thanksgiving. If all students across our system provide one item, we will be able to send over 55,000 food items to Haiti! The goal is to fill a 40 foot long container with food items such as rice, pasta, dried beans, chickpeas, chicken broth, canned meats, oils, cornmeal and canned fish. We thank you for your support.



CATHOLIC VIRTUE

In October we celebrate the virtue of **Compassion**:
I will seek to understand others by listening.
I will be willing to forgive others.
I will give of my resources to help those in need.

TERRY FOX WALK

On **Friday, September 15th**, St. Stephen Catholic School proudly participated in its 11th annual Terry Fox Walk. All the students from Kindergarten to grade 8, together with staff and parents, walked around the school/community to raise money for cancer research. *Great things happen when good people come together* was proven true with much money raised for this important cause. The school raised over **\$7300 to date!** Terry believed, *Every one of us can make a difference if you just give hope a chance.* Our thanks to Ms. Cutler for organizing this event, and to you for supporting the Terry Fox Walk!



SACRAMENT NEWS

Grade 2 First Reconciliation – Monday February 26th, 2018

7:30 pm at St. Padre Pio Church

First Communion – Sunday, May 6th, 2018

2:30 pm at St. Padre Pio Church

Grade 7 Confirmation – Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018

7:00 pm at St. Padre Pio Church



ROSARY CLUB

The Rosary Club will be beginning in the month of October. In this club, we focus on reflection and our devotion to the Holy Mother Mary. Students from grades 3 to 6 are encouraged to come meet with Ms. Sanita on the last Thursday of every month. During our first meeting, we will be going through the entire rosary to allow students to become comfortable and familiar with the process of reciting the rosary. Each month that follows the first gathering, we recite at least one decade of the rosary and direct the students in a reflection activity afterwards. Ms. Sanita's door is always open and welcoming new members so please come join us!

EFFECTIVE USE OF OUR RESOURCES



HEALTHY SCHOOLS

On Wednesday, October 4th, 2017 St. Stephen CES participated in Walk To School Day. Students, staff and parents are encouraged to get **ACTIVE** by walking to school regularly. Our Active Living Council Students, Parents and Staff will be greeting our walkers with stickers that morning. So do your part for your Health and the Environment and Walk!

KISS 'N RIDE

To ensure the safety of our students we require all parents using the program to follow the procedures outlined below:

- Use the **Kiss and Ride** lane to **drop off or pick up** your child.
- Do **NOT** use the drive-thru lane for dropping off or picking up children
- Move **UP** the Kiss and Ride lane as far as possible to maximize the number of cars using the program
- Do **NOT** get out of your vehicle
- Do **NOT** idle your vehicle
- Do **NOT** back up your vehicle
- Do **NOT** use cell phones nor smoke in the Kiss & Ride
- Students must exit the car using the passenger side doors only



The parking lot is for staff parking only between 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. so please park in the neighbourhood. Please follow staff directions when you are asked to move up, drive away, etc... **We thank you for working with us to ensure students safety.**

LATE ARRIVALS

Parents please ensure that your child(ren) come to school on time. Supervision begins at 8:15 am. All children should line up with the class at the entry bell (8:30 am). Parents are asked to bring their child(ren) through the front doors upon late arrival. For safety reasons, please do not leave your child in the yard or kindergarten area unattended once classes have entered into the building.

EFFECTIVE USE OF OUR RESOURCES

HEAD LICE

Among school children, infestation with head lice is common. The very best place for the control of lice to begin and continue is in the child's own home. Throughout the school year, please examine your child's scalp on a regular basis. Head lice are most often spread by direct contact with infested individuals. Itching is the main symptom along with detection of the eggs or the adult louse. There are no diseases transmitted by head lice; thus infestation is principally a nuisance rather than a major threat to the child's well being. Examine your child's scalp, especially at the base of the scalp near the nape of the neck and behind the ears. Separate the hair and look for eggs or the adult louse. Nits (eggs) are small grayish-white oval shapes which attach near the base of the hair shaft. If head lice are detected, please notify the school office. **For More information, refer to our YCSB website, Policy 210**

HALLOWEEN DANCE-A-THON

Once again, St. Stephen C.E.S. will have a Halloween dance-a-thon fundraiser on **October 31st**. Much Music will Kick it off for us on **October 6th at 1pm**. Although students are encouraged to wear their costumes to school for the traditional Halloween Dance-a-thon, for safety reasons, we are asking students NOT to wear masks with their costumes.

As well, all costumes must be appropriate and in keeping with our Catholic values and faith. A reminder that guns, swords or weapons of any kind are not permitted. In keeping with our Anaphylaxis Safe School Plan please do not send candy or food loot bags/treats for students. Your child (ren) will receive pledge forms and further information soon.

VISITING THE SCHOOL

At St. Stephen, our primary concern is the safety of all the children. School staff must know the identity of all visitors and the purpose of their visit. For this reason, all visitors, including parents and grandparents are requested to use the buzzer system upon entering the school. Please remember that you are a stranger to other staff and students. Please use the main doors and report to the office upon entering the school. We also ask that when entering, you do not let others in behind you.

All visitors must be buzzed in. All parents and visitors are asked to sign in and out of the office when entering the school. Whether you are meeting a teacher, picking up your child or volunteering, you must enter through the front doors of the school and check in at the office. Adults walking in the hallway without a sash or sticker will be redirected to the office. Thank you in advance for your co-operation with these important safety procedures.

Rain Days: Students are to wait in the main foyer for teachers on duty, which begins at 8:15 a.m. Parents are encouraged to use the front entrance and not the side doors for safety reasons.



EFFECTIVE USE OF OUR RESOURCES

SCHOOL ACCESS SYSTEM

Upon arrival at the school, you are expected to use the buzzer access system to enter into the building. This remains part of our *Safe Welcome Program*. With this system, office staff will be able to see and speak with the visitor and will remotely unlock the front doors once the visitor has been identified. All visitors upon entry are asked to report directly to the office for further assistance.

Lunch is a particularly busy time, as well as morning and afternoon recesses for our front office staff. We expect that there may be a brief delay in responding to the door buzzer during those times. Sending lunch to school with your child(ren) in the morning, as opposed to dropping it off during the lunch hour, will help reduce traffic in and out of the school while promoting independence.

If children are dropped off at school after the regular school day has begun, you must continue to accompany your child(ren) to the front office of the school to ensure they arrive safely inside and sign in. Your continued cooperation, support and patience is greatly appreciated.

SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

Sept. 25th– 29th was Safety Awareness Week across our school board. At St. Stephen, we participated in and practiced various safety routines and drills such as *Fire Drill, Hold & Secure, Lockdown* and *Shelter In Place*. These are all done so that in the event of an emergency students are familiar with the routine.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2017

Fire Prevention Week will be held from Oct. 8th to the 14th. Many Fire Stations will be hosting open houses at fire stations across the city. This years theme will be "Don't wait check the date", Replace smoke alarms every 10 years. Take this opportunity to educate yourself and your child(ren) about good fire safety practices. Please visit http://www.mcscs.jus.gov.on.ca/english/FireMarshal/FireSafetyandPublicEducation/FirePreventionWeek/OFM_FPW.html for more information.



BUS EVACUATION

On Friday, September 22nd, all our students were involved in practicing how to safely board and exit a bus in an emergency as well as reviewing the safety rules and expectations while on the bus.



PUBLIC HEALTH / IMMUNIZATION

A reminder for the Grade 7 to mail in the form sent by Public Health over the summer. **October 30th**. The clinics offer vaccines for Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and Meningococcal A, C, Y, W-135.

BOARD POLICIES -

The following are Policies Approved by the Board:

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| Policy 206 | Protection of Students with Asthma |
| Policy 212 | Concussions |
| Policy 608 | Volunteers in the School |
| Policy 202 | Safe Schools: Student Discipline |
| Policy 403 | Support Services recruitment & Promotion |
| Policy 602 | Safe Arrival & Safe Departure—Elementary |

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

MEET THE TEACHER / CURRICULUM NIGHT

Meet the Teacher / Curriculum Night took place on *Thursday, September 14th* and we are pleased and proud of the parent turnout which indicates your strong support and involvement in your child(ren)'s education. It is our hope that you found the evening both informative and enjoyable as we came together to socialize as a school community. Thank you to all staff for preparing such a successful evening. *A special thank you goes out to our Student Ambassadors for their assistance throughout the evening. Their time and commitment was greatly appreciated.*

EQAO

We are pleased to provide you with the attached highlights of our school results on the provincial EQAO test written last spring. We will be reviewing our detailed EQAO results and other school assessment data, in order to build on our strengths and address areas requiring improvement. The students who participated in the assessment will be receiving their individual results later this month. For additional information about this and other province-wide assessments, please visit www.eqao.com.



PACE SCREENING

All grade 4 students participated in the York Catholic DSB PACE testing during the week of September 19th. Classroom teachers administered the Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test (CCAT) to their grade 4 classes in order to gather information to assist in assessing students who may benefit from the Program for Academic and Creative Extension (PACE), a program for gifted students. Further information will follow for possible PACE candidates.

SPORTS NEWS

We would like to congratulate all the Cross-Country runners who participated in the meet at Bruce's Mill on Tuesday, October 3rd. Their dedication and hard work was exhibited all across the Junior and Intermediate grades. Representing St. Stephen School at the board finals on Thursday, October 19th are: Joshua D., Christian D., Daniel B., Lucas O., Nathan M., Marco C., and Maximo O. We are all very proud of you and we wish you luck in the finals! Thank you to our parent volunteers, council and dedicated coaches - Ms. LoBianco, Ms. Giurleo, and Ms. Alonzi, for preparing our students for this annual event of stamina and endurance.



SPECIAL OPENING PRESENTATION: Baba Williams

The virtues of compassion and unity literally shook the walls of our school the morning of Thursday, September 7th, as staff and students participated in a presentation by Baba William's which incorporated percussion instruments to engage the students through music and story telling, the importance of kindness, positive thinking, respect and teamwork—the key ingredients to creating a joyful and engaging 2017/18 school year! Living and Drumming The Promise!

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

ST. STEPHEN LIBRARY NEWS

Ms. Marrone continues to work diligently to create a library that is resourceful and up to date with the tools students need for the learning in the 21st Century. Students are engaged and enthusiastic about the library's new, and very own Chromebook Lab! She is looking forward to a new year of learning, exploring and nurturing a love of reading!

Look for the Scholastic Book Fair to take place. Please see upcoming newsletters for specific dates!

21st CENTURY LEARNING

We are pleased to inform you that St. Stephen has Twitter account. The site is up and running and parents are encouraged to follow along for reminders and/or school announcements.

The Twitter Account is @StStephenCES

Please look for our monthly calendar posted directly on our school website and updated regularly.

STANDARDIZED DRESS CODE

Our students continue to do a very good job of adhering to our Standardized Dress Code. A reminder that jeans/jeggings are not part of our dress code. Students need to be in dress code clothes (blue and/or white, collared shirt, pants, shorts, dress, skirt or spirit wear) every day except for Civvies Days.

Mental Health Awareness Week

October 1st-7th. Mental Illness Awareness Week (MIAW) is an annual national public education campaign designed to help open the eyes of Canadians to the reality of mental illness, spread awareness and reduce stigma. For more information, visit http://www.camh.ca/en/hospital/about_camh/newsroom/CAMH_in_the_headlines/stories/Pages/Mental-Illness-Awareness-Week-2017.aspx

High School Information Nights

For students entering high school in 2018 please see the attached flyer indicating the "open house" for high school visits. Also, expect a synnvoice of the flyer, look to the school website, or visit the board website at www.ycdsb.ca.

ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITIES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

It's hard to believe that another school year has begun. The CSC looks forward to working together with the staff at St. Stephen to continue building a vibrant school community.

CSC Members

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| Tina Ceko-Drinovac, Co-Chair | Enza Torchia, Secretary |
| Monique Misteroeicz, Co-Chair | Christina Privato, Treasurer |
| Anna Barone, Principal | |
| Anthony Modica, Vice Principal | |
| Edna Di Falco, Teacher Representative | |
| Marylinda Ciotola | Ksenija Dias |
| Teresa Elliot | Patrizia Faraone |
| Domenica Gosio | Laura Olivia |
| Rita Putros | Tetyana Sahan |
| Sandra Tersigni | Diana Tissi |
| Joe Verano | |

Please forward any comments and/or suggestions you may have to st.stephencsc@gmail.com.

Meeting Dates

St. Stephen [Catholic School Council](#) meets 5 - 6 times a year. Minutes will be posted after each meeting. Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Looking ahead, the meeting dates are:
Monday, October 2nd, 2017
Monday, November 6th, 2017
Monday, December 11th, 2017 (**Tentative**)
Monday, February 5th, 2018
Monday, April 9th, 2018
Monday, June 11th, 2018
All meetings are open to the school community.
All parents are encouraged to attend.

PIZZA LUNCH / HOT LUNCH

Our Pizza Lunch program began on Tuesday September 19th and will conclude on Thursday February 8th, 2018 (First Term). Pizza lunch days for this year are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. **Please Note:** Pizza Lunch will NOT be rescheduled for holidays or PA Days. Additionally, *Kids Kitchen* will provide *Hot Lunches* on Mondays and Fridays. Orders may be placed on-line as per flyer.



VOLUNTEERS AT ST. STEPHEN

Your assistance at school as a parent volunteer is greatly appreciated. Parental involvement can do much to enhance children's educational experience. Without volunteers, many wonderful enrichment opportunities for students would not happen. Our Volunteer Orientation session will take place on **Tuesday, October 24th at 10:00 a.m. in the Library. Hope to see you there.** We continue to look for Reading Buddy volunteers to read with our primary students, so please contact the office if you are interested.



ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITIES

VOLUNTEERING

St. Stephen Catholic School welcomes parents/guardians to become involved in our school community. There are many committees that volunteering your time to assist would be appreciated. They are the following: Healthy Schools, Pizza, Shrove Tuesday, Parish Rep, Hot Lunch, BBQ/Year End Celebration

ALLERGY NEWS

St. Stephen is a healthy, safe and caring school. Peanuts, nuts, and nut bi-products are considered "unsafe" for school snacks and lunches. We ask that you please read food labels before sending food items to school. The success of our Allergy Safe School Plan is entirely dependent upon the collaborative efforts of all our community members. Thank you to all parents, students and staff for your continued support in helping keep our allergic students safe.

LUNCH DROP OFF

Please label your child's lunch with their name and teacher's name and deposit it in the correct bin located in the front foyer. Runners will be delivering the lunches to the rooms. As always if you wish to sign your child out and back in at the office and take them home or out for lunch, we welcome you to do so. Thank you for your cooperation in the interest of student safety. Also, with our allergy safety plan in effect, we strongly discourage bringing in foods from McDonalds or any other restaurant that is not nut safe due to anaphylactic reasons. Should a student have a lunch that may have come into contact with nuts, parents will be contacted. If it cannot be replaced, students will be asked to eat it in the office.

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are being printed as you read this message. With that in mind, we are looking forward to having our yearbooks completed and in our students hands by the end of the first week of November.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PRAYER

The York Catholic District School Board along with school boards across Ontario are demonstrating their commitment to Truth and Reconciliation by providing Land Acknowledgements that honour Indigenous Peoples and traditional lands. The YCDSB Land Acknowledgement will be embedded as a distinct school practice and will be recited at all large school community gatherings. Please see the attached letter for more information.

ST. AUGUSTINE WORKSHOPS/RETREAT

Grade 7 students who are receiving their confirmation may be interested in attending workshops/retreats being offered by St. Augustine Seminary. The cost is \$50 and includes lunch, mass and activities. Please see attached information flyers.



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Media Release
September 12, 2017

Upcoming York Catholic High School Information Nights

This fall, the York Catholic District School Board will host a series of local High School Information Nights for Grade 8 students and their parents who reside in York Region, as well as Grade 6 students and their parents who reside in the Town of Georgina. Attendees will have an opportunity to tour high school facilities, learn about the various programs and options available to them, and meet staff and current students who can answer questions they may have about high school.

The information sessions will be held at Catholic high schools across York Region, and while residents are strongly encouraged to attend the information session for their local area high school, those who are interested in learning more about regional programs are welcome at those high school information nights, as well. The York Catholic District School Board offers six high school regional programs, which include:

- **Advanced Placement (AP) / Program for Academic and Creative Extension (PACE) Programs:** *programs with an extended and enriched curriculum that allow students to earn credits or advanced standing at most universities.*
- **English as a Second Language (ESL) / English Literacy Development:** *programs that provide newcomer students with English language supports in various subject areas.*
- **French Immersion (FI):** *students take ten French courses throughout high school to obtain a French Immersion certificate upon graduation. A continuation of the Elementary French Immersion Program.*
- **International Baccalaureate (IB) Program:** *a rigorous and intellectually challenging pre-university course of study that allow students to earn an IB Diploma upon graduation. Credits are recognized in Canada and internationally.*
- **Laptop Learning Program:** *a program that enables students to use their notebook computers, various curriculum specific software applications, and the internet to enhance learning.*
- **Regional Arts Program:** *a program where students specialize in either drama, dance, visual arts, digital media arts, instrumental music or vocal music, while obtaining their high school diploma.*

YCDSB also offers eight Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) programs at 13 high schools. A list of SHSM programs is available at: <http://www.ycdsb.ca/pathways/shsm/>. Information on SHSM programs, skilled trades, athletics and extra-curricular offerings will be provided at the High School Information Nights.

Admission to York Catholic high schools is open to all students, in accordance with the rules governing open access and a student's right to attend. More information about the registration process and the documents needed to enrol will be discussed at the information nights.

To determine which York Catholic high school serves your local area, please visit <http://locator.ycdsb.ca/>. Following is a list of all High School Information Nights.

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The York Catholic District School Board is one of the top-performing school boards in Ontario. It delivers educational programming to over 55,000 students in 103 schools throughout York Region. For more information, visit www.ycdsb.ca or follow us on Twitter @YCDSB.

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HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHTS:

For Grade 8 / 6* students and their parents enrolling in high school for September 2018

| SCHOOL | DATE |
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| Cardinal Carter Catholic High School 210 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, ON, L4G 0P9 905-727-2455 | Thursday, November 2, 2017, 6 p.m. <i>Regular Program/IB</i> |
| Father Bressani Catholic High School 250 Ansley Grove Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4L 3W4 905-851-6643 | Thursday, November 2, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/AP/PACE/FI</i> |
| Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy 5300 – 14 th Avenue, Markham, ON, L3S 3K8 905-472-4961 | Wednesday, November 1, 2017, 6:30 p.m. <i>Regular Program/ESL/IB</i> |
| Holy Cross Catholic Academy 7501 Martin Grove Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4L 1A5 905-851-6699 | Wednesday, November 22, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program</i> |
| Jean Vanier Catholic High School 10475 Bayview Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON, L4C 3P2 905-770-8656 | Thursday, November 9, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>AP</i> Thursday, November 23, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/ESL/FI</i> |
| Our Lady of the Lake Catholic College School 185 Glenwoods Avenue, Keswick, ON, L4P 2W6 905-656-9140 | Wednesday, November 15, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program</i> <i>-For *Grade 6 students and their parents.</i> |
| Sacred Heart Catholic High School 908 Lemar Road, Newmarket, ON, L3Y 1R9 905-895-3340 | Thursday, November 9, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/AP/PACE/ESL</i> |
| St. Augustine Catholic High School 2188 Rodick Road, Markham, ON, L6C 1S3 905-887-6171 | Wednesday, November 8, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/Laptop Learning</i> |
| St. Brother Andre Catholic High School 6160 – 16 th Avenue East, Markham, ON, L3P 3K8 905-294-7671 | Thursday, November 2, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/AP/PACE/FI</i> |
| St. Elizabeth Catholic High School 525 New Westminster Drive, Thornhill, ON, L4J 7X3 905-882-1460 | Wednesday, October 11, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regional Arts Program</i> Wednesday, November 1, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/ESL</i> |
| St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic High School 2 Davos Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4H 2Y1 905-851-3529 | Wednesday, November 1, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program</i> |
| St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School 1 St. Joan of Arc Avenue, Maple, ON, L6A 1W9 905-832-8882 | Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/AP/ESL</i> |
| St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic High School 278 Wellington Street East, Aurora, ON, L4G 1J5 905-727-5652 | Wednesday, September 27, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program/FI</i> |
| St. Robert Catholic High School 8101 Leslie Street, Thornhill, ON, L3T 7P4 905-889-4982 | Wednesday, November 1, 2017, 7 p.m. REVISED DATE <i>Regular Program/ESL</i> Wednesday, November 8, 2017, 7 p.m. REVISED DATE <i>IB</i> |
| St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic High School 230 Shaftsbury Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON, L4C 0E8 905-787-1407 | Tuesday, November 14, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>Regular Program</i> Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 7 p.m. <i>AP/PACE</i> |

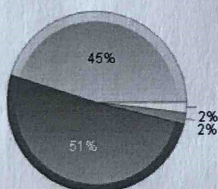
Contextual Data

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| Number of students | 57 | 78 |
| English language learners | 2% | 3% |
| Students with special education needs (excluding gifted) | 18% | 13% |
| First language learned at home was other than English | 4% | 10% |
| Students' Time in Canada | | |
| Born in Canada | 98% | 92% |
| In Canada less than one year | 0% | 1% |
| In Canada one year or more but less than three years | 0% | 0% |
| In Canada three years or more | 2% | 6% |

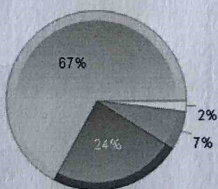
Attitudes and Behaviour Data

Grade 3

I like to read.

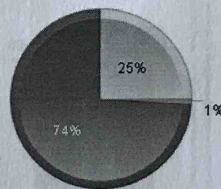


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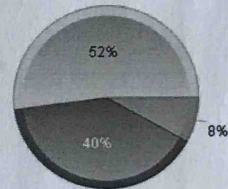


Grade 6

I like to read.



I like mathematics.

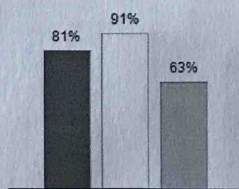


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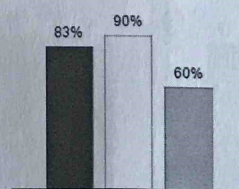
Achievement Data

Students at or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)

Grade 3



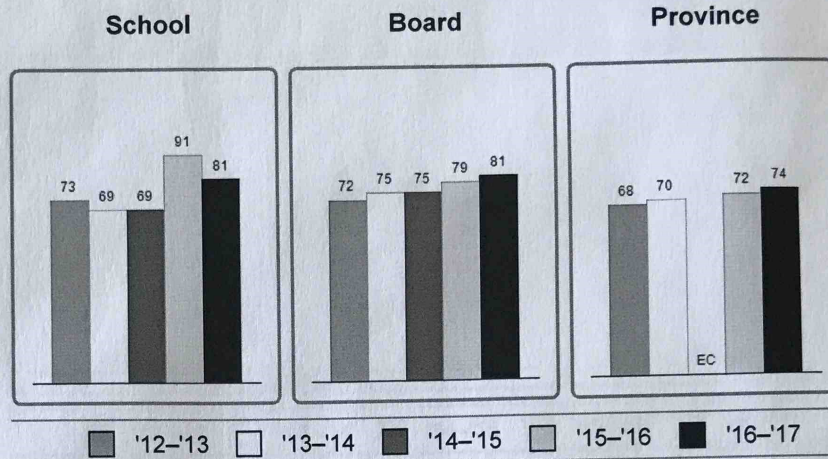
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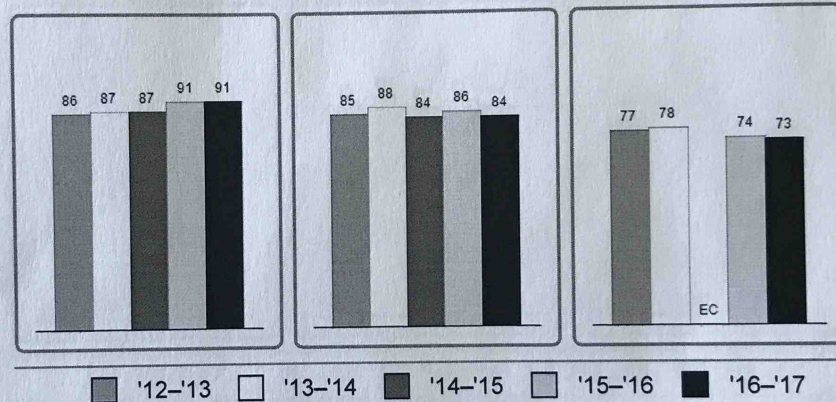
Reading Writing Mathematics

Percentage of Students

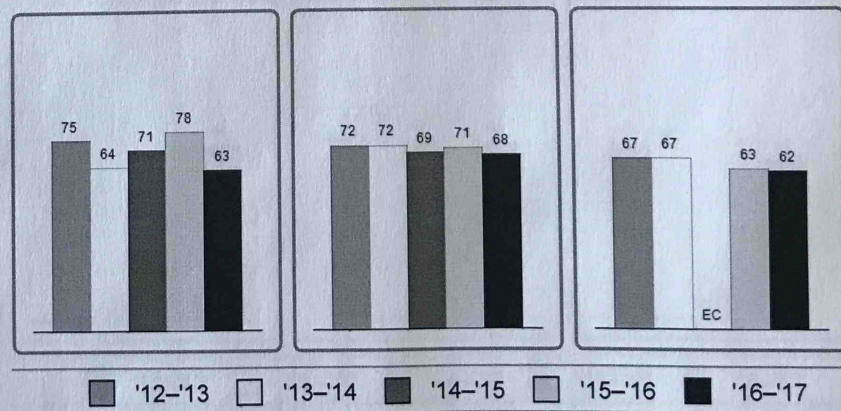
Reading



Writing



Mathematics



Food Drive
for Hunger



St. Stephen Catholic Elementary School
invites you to share blessings at our

Thanksgiving Drive

in support of the

Compassionate Franciscan Sisters of the Poor



October 2 - October 16, 2017.

Please drop off selected items in the front foyer of the school

Items Required:

Canned Fish, Canned Meat and Pastas



*"Poverty
calls us
to sow hope"*

Pope Francis

**Happy
Thanksgiving**



York Catholic District School Board Land Acknowledgment

School Boards across Ontario are demonstrating their commitment to Truth and Reconciliation by providing Land Acknowledgements that honour Indigenous Peoples and traditional lands. At the York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB), we echo the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC) and the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario (ACBO) in their response to the Calls to Action through the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

It is in this response that YCDSB acknowledges that for thousands of years, Indigenous Peoples have lived on this land. Acknowledging the territory where we gather and the people who have traditionally called this land home is one of the ways the YCDSB is participating in the actions necessary for Truth and Reconciliation.

YCDSB's First Nations, Métis and Inuit Steering Committee (Indigenous Elders and YCDSB Board and school staff) developed a Land Acknowledgement Statement. This statement is inclusive of all Indigenous Peoples. It honours those who have walked this land, in the past, present, and those who will walk it in the future. It is a respectful validation of the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

The YCDSB Land Acknowledgement will be embedded as a distinct school practice and will be recited at all large school community gatherings.

It reads:

***We are gathered on the ancestral lands and waters of all Indigenous Peoples, who
have left their footprints on Mother Earth before us.***

***We respectfully acknowledge those who have walked on it, those who walk on it
now, and future generations who have yet to walk upon it.***

***We pray to the Creator for strength and wisdom that all may continue to serve as
stewards of the Earth.***

For more information about the YCDSB Land Acknowledgement, please contact:

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FNMI Steering Committee Chair
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Workshops/Retreats 2017-2018

Workshops and Retreats are held at St. Augustine's Scarborough campus from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (including Mass). Cost is \$50 including lunch.

Registration: www.staugustines.on.ca

OCTOBER
28
2017

AM Session:
"PREPARING YOUNG PEOPLE TO RECEIVE
THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION"
by Dr. Anne Jamieson

PM Session:
"ONLINE FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VIRTUAL
LEARNING COMMUNITIES"
by Dr. Connie Price

NOVEMBER
25
2017

"MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY"
AM Session: Dr. Josephine Lombardi
PM Session: "NEW BEGINNINGS
MINISTRY", Archdiocese of Toronto
by Mary Benincasa and Alex Lopechuck

FEBRUARY
3
2018

Moral Issues Topic:
"AN INTRODUCTION TO THE
THEOLOGY OF THE BODY - WHY
YOUR MATTER MATTERS"
by Dr. Patricia Murphy

DECEMBER
16
2017

"ADVENT RETREAT"
by Father Charles Anang

MARCH
10
2018

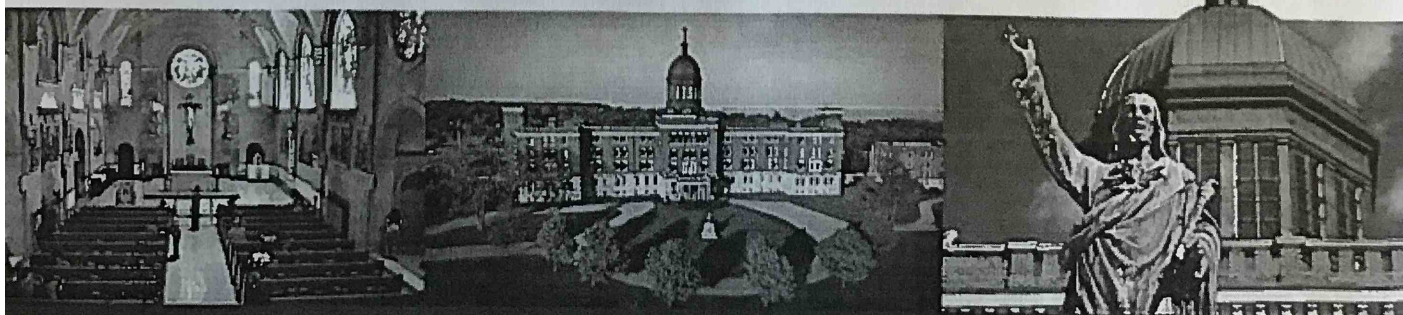
"LENTEN RETREAT"
by Dr. Josephine Lombardi

JANUARY
20
2018

"THE FACES OF CHRIST IN THE
BOOK OF REVELATION"
by Monsignor Robert Nusca

JUNE
9
2018

"THIRD ANNUAL RETREAT
FOR WOMEN"
by Dr. Josephine Lombardi



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