



Wildcat Weekly - Sept 30 - Oct 4 2024

Week of Monday September 30 to Friday October 4



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Wildcat Week at a Glance



September 30 is Orange Shirt Day

The annual Orange Shirt Day on September 30th opens the door to global conversation on all aspects of Residential Schools. It is an opportunity to create meaningful discussion about the effects of Residential Schools and the legacy they have left behind. A discussion all Canadians can tune into and create bridges with each other for reconciliation. A day for survivors to be reaffirmed that they matter, and so do those that have been affected. Every Child Matters, even if they are an adult, from now on.

Students at All Saints will have an opportunity to learn about Truth and Reconciliation at an age appropriate level. All students will have the opportunity to tie an orange ribbon on the fence at the front of the school to demonstrate our recognition that every child matters. Students from Grades 5-8 will participate in a Map Activity in the gym presented by Mr. Thrasher from the Dufferin-Peel Indigenous Department.

Students are encouraged to wear an Orange Shirt to school on Monday.

Monday September 30 -

Mindfulness Monday

Orange Shirt Day

Sub Day

Catholic School Council 7:00pm Library

Tuesday October 1 -

Bus Safety Week

Wednesday October 2 -

Bus Safety Week

Thursday October 3 -

Deep Thought Thursday

Bus Safety Week

PRO Grant - Preparing Students with Differing Abilities for the Sacraments 6:30 -8:00pm Catholic Education Centre Room 301

Friday October 4 -

Bus Safety Week

Pizza Day

Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board's
Special Education Advisory Committee invites families of students
with diverse learning abilities to the following Pro-Grant Event:

**Preparing Your Child
With Differing Abilities
For The Sacraments
In-Person Information Session**



Thursday, October 3, 2024

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Catholic Education Centre, Room 301

Please RSVP by September 30, 2024 by
accessing the link below or the QR code.
<https://forms.office.com/r/bGCUGitykP>



Any inquiries about the event may be directed to:
Fara.MirandaFernandes@dpcdsb.org

1 - [RSVP Link](https://forms.office.com/r/bGCUGitykP)

Upcoming Events

October 6-12: Fire Prevention Week

October 7: Empowering Women Day

October 8: Junior Girls Volleyball Tournament

October 9: Junior Boys Volleyball Tournament

October 9: Thanksgiving Mass 1:00pm (All are welcome)

October 9: Parent Engagement: Navigating the IEP 7:00 -8:30pm

October 10: "Dove" Day ~ Grade 6-8

October 10: Fire Drill #2

October 11: PA Day ~ No School

October 14: Thanksgiving

October 15: Junior Girls Volleyball Family Tournament

October 15: Term 1 IEPs Go Home

October 15 & 16: First Communion/First Reconciliation Registration Meeting at Loyola Church 6:30pm.

October 16: Hearing & Vision Clinic at All Saints

October 17: Author Visit ~ Lana Button K-6 & Parent Engagement Evening

October 17: St. Joe's Regional AP Program Open House (Gr8 Families) 6:00pm

October 23: Bus Driver Appreciation Day

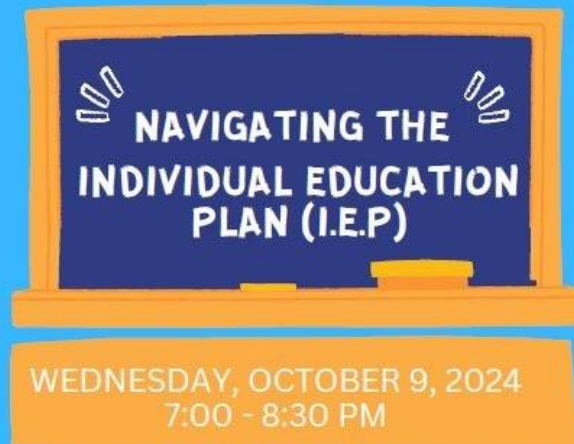
October 24: CSC Chairs Meeting 5:00 - 8:00pm at Cardinal Leger HS

October 28: Photo Retakes



**Dufferin-Peel
Catholic District
School Board**

**DPCDSB'S Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)
invites families of students with diverse learning abilities
to attend the following online
Parents Reaching Out Event:**



REGISTER NOW



Families are asked to register by accessing the link
below or QR Code.

<https://forms.office.com/r/SFLukhM54z>



SCAN HERE!



For questions, contact Fara Miranda Fernandes @905-890-0708
Ext. 24011 or via email at Fara.MirandaFernandes@dpcdsb.org

2 - [Registration Link](https://forms.office.com/r/SFLukhM54z)

Important Information



Mindfulness Monday

All Saints school will be participating in some Meditation and Mindfulness activities on Monday mornings.

Research confirms that for children, mindfulness can:

- Mitigate the effects of bullying (Zhou, Liu, Niu, Sun, & Fan, 2016);
- Enhance focus in children with ADHD (Zhang et al., 2016);
- Reduce attention problems (Crescentini, Capurso, Furlan, & Fabbro, 2016);
- Improve mental health and wellbeing;
- Improve social skills when well taught and practiced with children and adolescents.

[Positive Psychology](#)

Fire, Lockdown and Hold & Secure Drills

During the school year we will be rehearsing and will continue to rehearse with students a number of emergency response situations including hold & secure, lock down and fire drills. All schools are required by Board policy to practice these procedures throughout the year. We are required to hold 6 Fire Drills (3 in the Fall and 3 in the Spring), 2 Lockdown Drills (Fall & Spring) and 1 Hold & Secure Drill each year. We have these 'practice drills' for precautionary purposes only so that in the event of an actual emergency, students will be prepared to respond in a safe and responsible manner. During lockdown and hold & secure drills, the outer doors will be locked and the office will be unavailable during the time of the drill. No one will be allowed to enter or exit during the drill while the emergency protocol is being followed. Notices will be placed on the front door to apprise a drill is in progress. The day will continue as normal following the drill. Thank you for your patience.

Terry Fox Walk

Thank you to all the families who donated to the All Saints Terry Fox Marathon of Hope. We have raised \$3,346.25! Well done, Wildcats!!

Pizza Days

Pizza Days are Back!

We are once again offering cheese pizza and pepperoni pizza on a weekly basis. Pizza days will be every Friday. The pizza will be supplied by Gino's Pizza, and they are in compliance with the School Food and Beverage Policy.

Pizza orders are available until Friday January 10.

Pizza costs: \$2.50 per slice

Please go online to order and pay for your child's pizza. You can log on and order once a week or you can order for the three months. If you are not registered with School Cash Online as of yet, you can register at <https://dpcdsb.schoolcashonline.com>.

Pizza Days will only include pizza; students will be expected to provide their own snacks and drink.

We greatly appreciate your support.

Sub Days

Sub Days are back at All Saints!

Subways sandwiches are now available to order through School Cash online.

<https://dpcdsb.schoolcashonline.com>

Students will have the option of purchasing both 6" or 12" subs for Monday Sub Days. Our first Subway Monday is September 30th. Orders are due by Thursday each week.

Parish Information



St. Ignatius Loyola Parish

2300 Burnhamthorpe Road West

Mississauga, ON L5L 3T6

Phone: (905) 820-1444

Fax: (905) 820-6879

www.st-ignatius-loyola.com

Pastor: Fr. Edward Curtis

Associate Pastor: Fr. Alex D'Silva

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and Communion

Registration Meeting for Grade 2 Students will be held at St. Ignatius Loyola Church on either **Tuesday October 15** or **Wednesday October 16** at 6:30pm

Requirements for Registration:

- Be registered, practicing members of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish
- Regular attendance at Sunday Mass
- Complete the [Sacramental Preparation Form](#) (including submission of your child's baptismal certificate)

- Attend the mandatory Registration Meeting on Oct 15 or 16

A **\$50 Registration Fee** will be required at the Registration Meeting for the home learning materials.

Note: If there are any Grade 3 students who missed their First Communion last year and would like to participate this year, please contact the school for the registration information.

Catholic School Council



Our first meeting of the year will be held on **Monday September 30 at 7:00pm** in the school library. This meeting will be to close out last year's council and create the new council for the year. All are welcome to attend meetings. If you wish to join virtually, please contact the main office to receive the link.

We look forward to meeting you and coming together to make this year an exciting one for our students. We are ready to make changes to the school to make it even better but we need your help and your creative ideas.

School Hours



School Begins: 8:45am (*Outside yard supervision ~ 8:30 - 8:45am*)

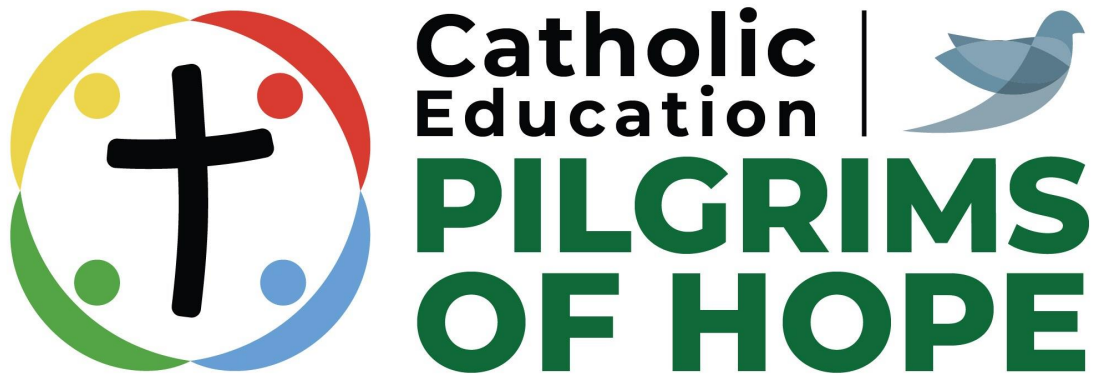
Recess A: 10:15 am - 10:30 am

Lunch: 11:50 am - 12:50 am (*Students Lunch ~ 11:50 - 12:10 / Outdoor Recess ~ 12:10 - 12:50*)

Recess B: 2:10 pm - 2:25 pm

Dismissal: 3:15pm

Catholic Education Week Prayer



The new school year offers us an opportunity to reflect upon our personal, academic and spiritual growth and to set some new goals.

The theme chosen for the upcoming 2025 Catholic Education Week is:

Catholic Education: *Pilgrims of Hope*

"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given to us."

Catholic Education Week is held each year in May in our 29 Ontario Catholic school boards. It will run from May 4 – May 9, 2025.

By living as peacemakers – Vivent en artisans de paix

God of love,

You sent your Son, Jesus to show us how to be peaceful people.

We pray for peace in our world, peace in our relationships and peace in our hearts.

Jesus, Prince of Peace, where there is conflict and tension, show us the way to be peacemakers and peace-givers.

Help us to speak with words that calm and heal.

As pilgrims of hope, may your peace be the path we walk, and the goal toward which we journey each day.

We ask this, God of peace, in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

Amen.

Virtue for October



Each month we celebrate a virtue. The Virtue for October is Empathy.

Judge your neighbor's feelings by your own, and in every matter be thoughtful. (Sir. 31:15)

Elementary: God wants us to care about everyone's feelings.

From the perspective of the Catholic Graduate Expectations, an empathetic person...

- Is confident in the dignity of selves and others
- Believes that the cross is the ultimate sign of forgiveness
- Seeks and grants permission

Our Daily Prayer for October:

Let us now pray for the grace and strength to be people of empathy

People who can really identify with

and feel the concerns of those around us.

AMEN

Peel Public Health



LET'S TALK ABOUT VAPING

Kids listen more than you think. Caring adults have an important role to play in helping kids make decisions about their health such as vaping. Teens say parents are the biggest influence in their lives.

VAPING IS NOT HARMLESS

Some risks for kids:

- Addiction to nicotine
- Difficulty learning and reduced impulse control
- Increased anxiety and stress
- Lung damage and changes to how the brain grows and develops

Young people who vape are more likely to start smoking cigarettes and try other drugs.

SIGNS OF VAPING



Fruity smell



USB-like device



Bloodshot eyes



Conceal up sleeve



White smoke

TALKING EARLY AND OFTEN IS ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO KEEP KIDS VAPE-FREE

TIPS FOR TALKING ABOUT VAPING

Ask questions and listen more than you talk

Ask open-ended questions and restate what you hear. Ask:

"What do you think about vaping?" or "So it sounds to me like..."

Create a safe space

Be open, non-judgmental, caring and understanding. Say something like:

"Of course, I hope you avoid vaping, nicotine addiction is hard and I don't want that for you; but that would never change the way I feel about you."

You don't have to be an expert.

Be honest if there's something you don't know and take opportunities to learn together. Say something like,

"I don't even know how much nicotine is in vapes; we'll have to Google that."

Practice skills

Plan and practice what they could say to their friends. They could say:

"I'm sure there will be kids vaping at this party; have you thought about how you might avoid that pressure?"

Keep checking in

Kids' experiences and pressures are always changing, so keep talking. For example:

"I've heard that kids are vaping more since COVID started. Have you noticed any change since returning to school?"

Timing is important

Look for opportunities when you have their attention. For example when picking them up from school:

"I've noticed quite a few kids vaping out front lately - what's up with that?"

Adapted from Drug Free Kids Canada

NotAnExperiment.ca

Peel Region
working with you

WHY YOUTH VAPE

YOUTH SAY THEY VAPE TO DEAL WITH STRESS, BUT THE TRUTH IS VAPING CAUSES MORE STRESS!

The high levels of nicotine in a vape affect the developing brain leading to feelings of stress, anxiety and depression.

Nicotine addiction
increases stress
hormones



This can create
stress:



In relationships: Hiding vaping behaviour from family & friends can cause stress



At school: Nicotine impacts memory, concentration & the ability to learn



With money: The amount of money spent on vaping products can cause stress

HELP YOUR KIDS BE VAPE FREE! TALK ABOUT HOW TO DEAL WITH STRESS AND WAYS TO RESIST THE PRESSURE TO VAPE.

WAYS TO DEAL WITH STRESS



- Listen to music.
- Talk with a friend or other trusted person.
- Go for a walk or choose your favourite way to get moving.
- Have a shower or bath to relax.

HOW TO RESIST THE PRESSURE TO VAPE

Delay answering:

"Can't right now, I'll meet up with you later."

Suggest something else:

"I don't want to right now, wanna play some ball?"

Make a joke:

"Thanks, but I'm already addicted to air!"



QUIT HELP



MORE INFO



MENTAL HEALTH



RESIST

For more information and ideas, visit

NotAnExperiment.ca

2024-2025 School Year Calendar



2024-2025 School Year Calendar

First day of classes Elementary and Secondary Schools	Tuesday, September 3, 2024
First Day of classes Semester Two Secondary	Friday, January 31, 2025
Last instructional day Elementary and Secondary Schools	Friday, June 27, 2025
Number of school days for the 2024-2025 school year	194
Number of Instructional Days in Elementary Schools	187
Number of Instructional Days in Secondary Schools	187
Number of Professional Activity Days in Elementary Schools	7
Number of Professional Activity Days in Secondary Schools	7

► School Holidays for the 2024-2025 School Year

Every Saturday and Sunday

Labour Day	Monday, September 2, 2024
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 14, 2024
Christmas Break	Monday, December 23, 2024, to Friday, January 3, 2025 (inclusive)
Family Day	Monday, February 17, 2025
Mid-Winter Break	Monday, March 10, 2025, to Friday, March 14, 2025 (inclusive)
Good Friday	Friday, April 18, 2025
Easter Monday	Monday, April 21, 2025
Victoria Day	Monday, May 19, 2025

► Elementary Schools, including St. Sofia – Professional Activity Days

1. Monday, September 16, 2024	Principal's Day: Re-organization/Faith Development
2. Friday, October 11, 2024	Provincial Priorities in a Catholic Context
3. Friday, November 22, 2024	Provincial Priorities in a Catholic Context
4. Monday, January 20, 2025	Term 1 Assessment and Evaluation of Pupil Progress
5. Friday, February 14, 2025	Reporting to Parents
6. Friday, May 16, 2025	Provincial Priorities in a Catholic Context
7. Monday, June 9, 2025	Term 2 Assessment and Evaluation of Pupil Progress

Transportation



All bus information for the current school year is available through the STOPR website: <https://www.stopr.ca/>

To receive updates on whether your child's bus is running late, please subscribe to STOPR at <https://businfo.stopr.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>

Please check the Region of Peel's Transportation Department's website at www.stopr.ca for more information on bussing eligibility and to subscribe for email alerts regarding bus delays or cancellations. Twitter @STOPRinfo Phone (905) 890-6000 or 1 (800) 668-1140. Special Education Transportation: 905-890-6362.

All Saints only has Special Education Transportation for the current school year. No courtesy bussing will be offered.

Click Here: [Access your Transportation Information](#)

[+ Already Have an Account?](#)

[+ Create an Account?](#)


Adding Students to your Account:

1. Students to your Account:
2. Once logged in, click on the 'Add Student' button
3. Enter your Ontario Education Number (OEN) - This number can be found on any report card or by contacting your school.
4. Enter your Street Number - This is the house/street number registered at your school, no apartment numbers, no unit numbers.
5. Pick your School
6. Pick your grade

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STUDENT TRANSPORTATION
OF PEEL REGION

Home Public Parent

My Students



Add Student

School Year 2020-2021

Add Student

Student ID (OEN)

____-____-____

Street Number

School

AGNES TAYLOR

Grade

Jr Full Day Kindergarten

Add Student **Close**



August 27, 2024

Attention Schools/Parents/Guardians:

STOPR has been piloting the Chipmunk School Bus Tracking Application since April 2023. We thank everyone that took part in this pilot program and your feedback has proven extremely helpful in the application evaluation process!

Our in-depth evaluation of the Chipmunk application has concluded that it does not meet STOPR's performance standards and expectations.

Therefore, STOPR will not be continuing the Chipmunk pilot program come September 2024.

We believe in providing tools to enhance the transportation experience and will continue to investigate new and exciting applications that bring value to our school and parent communities.

Sincerely,

The STOPR Team

Attendance Verification



It is important for students to be at school on time and ready to work. When students are late they miss important information and routines. We realize that throughout the year there will be times that your child will be away from school.

SafeArrival is an application within SchoolMessenger that will allow parents/guardians to report their children's absences in one of the following three ways:

- SchoolMessenger App
- SchoolMessenger website <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>
- Toll Free number 1-844-435-3440

What is SafeArrival:

- SafeArrival is an absence management system that improves student safety.
- It supports school staff to follow up on unexcused absences.
- It allows parents and/or guardians to notify the school in advance about an upcoming absence.

Benefits:

- Better Attendance Management for Enhanced Student Safety

- Faster and Easier Attendance Management
- Simplified Parent Reporting Tools
- Accessible, Convenient and Secure
- Automated Key Tasks With SafeArrival Administrative Tools

In the event that your child is late or absent, please use one of the three ways to access Safe Arrival.

Students who arrive late to school must proceed to the office to get a late slip.

International Languages Program



International and Indigenous Languages Elementary Program



Start date September 21, 2024 to May 10, 2025


2024-2025

REGISTRATION STRONGLY ENCOURAGED BY: JUNE 21, 2024

- Elementary International and Indigenous Languages are available to students in Kindergarten to Grade 8.
- No prior language experience is necessary.
- The registration for each site is continuous on Saturdays from 9:00 am – 11:30 am.
- Enrolment is limited at each location.
- There is a non-refundable consumable fee of \$30.00 (Plus SchoolCash Online cost recovery fee)
- Classes will run pending sufficient enrolment.
- Families will only receive a call/email if the course has been cancelled or location has been changed.

Important Information/Dates To Remember:

Registration is now open until June 21, 2024 for first consideration of languages and locations.
Late Registration Day is Saturday, September 14, 2024, from 9:00 am – 11:30 am. No classes on this date.
First day of classes for students is Saturday, September 21, 2024 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am.
Last day of classes for Elementary students is Saturday, May 10, 2025


	Albanian	Arabic	Cantonese	Croatian	Farsi	Gujarati	Hindi	Italian	Malayalam	Mandarin	Polish	Portuguese	Punjabi	Russian	Slovak	Spanish	Tagalog	Tamil	Telugu	Ukrainian	Vietnamese	Yoruba
																						
Divine Mercy 2840 Duncairn Drive, Mississauga,											★					★						
Pauline Vanier 56 Oakies Blvd, Brampton,						★						★										
St. Francis Xavier Elem (Brampton) 111 Bartley Bull Parkway, Brampton,						★					★	★							★			★
St. Isaac Jogues 300 Great Lakes Drive, Brampton,								★	★			★				★						
St. Philip 345 Fairview Road West, Mississauga,		★	★					★				★					★			★		
St. Pio of Pietrelcina 4765 Huron Heights Drive, Mississauga,											★											
St. Sebastian 3460 Aquinas Avenue, Mississauga,	★			★	★			★	★	★								★		★		
Sts. Martha and Mary 1760 Bough Beeches Blvd, Mississauga,															★						★	
Sts. Peter and Paul 4205 Woodington Drive, Mississauga,					★									★		★						

How to Register and Next Steps:

1. To register, please complete a [registration form](https://www.dpcdsb.org/programs-services/languages/internationallanguage) for each student or visit <https://www.dpcdsb.org/programs-services/languages/internationallanguage>
2. OR scan the QR code



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Parent Corner



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Looking for a summer camp
or recreation program for
your child?

Visit dpcdsb.org/parents

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 - Recreation Programs
 - Music/Art Classes
 - and so much more!



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HOCKEY FOR EVERYONE HOCKEY FOR THE FUN OF IT

Are you looking for an exciting activity for your child? The Erindale Hockey Association offers kids ages 4-18 the thrill of hockey! From beginners to aspiring pros, we have programs for every skill level. No experience? No problem! Our awesome coaches will teach everything they need to know. With recreational and competitive options, your child can find their perfect fit. We welcome everyone in our inclusive, coed community, where making friends and learning teamwork are part of the game. Join us and watch your child grow both on and off the ice. Be a part of our vibrant hockey family!



Registration is now open
www.erindalehockey.com



4 - DPCDSB THRIVE in Community Newsletter

The DPCDSB Mental Health and Well-Being Team has created a THRIVE Community Newsletter to be shared with staff and families each month.

A link to the September edition of the THRIVE newsletter is enclosed: [THRIVE in Community Newsletter – September 2024](#)