



St. Gerald Catholic School

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240

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Office Hours 8:30 – 4:30
School Hours 9:00 – 3:30

Lunch Hour:
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.



St. Gerald Catholic School News

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you read this newsletter, third term is well underway. I am certain that it is our shared hope that the students will successfully complete the work for their current school year and be proud of their achievements. For this reason, it is extremely important that we at the school and parents/guardians at home continue to encourage the children to put forth their best efforts. Please contact your children's teachers, if you have any concerns or questions about their progress.

Thank you to parents who have taken a minute to let us know if their children will not be returning to St. Gerald's in September 2009. Please use the enclosed form to let us know if your family is moving. It is not necessary to return the form, if your children are continuing at St. Gerald's in September. They will be automatically added to our plans for next year.

During the week of April 6, we will be taking part in Holy Week activities, with a special paraliturgy on Holy Thursday re-enacting our Lord's passion. Please join us on April 9 at 1:30 p.m., if you are available and join us for our school Mass on April 21 at 9:30 a.m.

Best wishes to everyone in our community for a very happy and holy Easter season.

Sincerely,
R. Leone

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Prayer for April

Loving and glorious God,
We praise you with Easter joy
Because Christ is our redeemer.
Christ has broken the power of sin
And healed an injured world.
Christ has made us whole again.
Bless our celebrations and our joy.

Loving God, you give us your finest
grace,
Your greatest blessing.
You give us yourself.
In Christ you share our life and our
suffering.
In Christ you redeem us.
All glory to you now and for ever.

Amen



School Mass

Our school Mass this month is
scheduled for Tuesday, April 21 at 9:30
a.m. Please join us, if you are available.



Catholic School Advisory Council News (CSAC)

The next scheduled CSAC meeting is
on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 7 p.m.
in the library.

School Assembly

During the month of April, we are
focusing on ***Justice... Treating others
fairly, being open-minded and
playing by the rules.***

Our next school assembly is scheduled
for May 1.

Plans for 2009/2010

Please let us know if your family is
moving out of our area before
September 2009 and your children will
not be returning to St. Gerald School.

A short note indicating your family's
plans would assist us with our plans for
next year.

Requests for School Bus Transportation for 2009/2010

If your child(ren) currently take one of
the exceptional buses (**Route 492 or
544**), it is necessary for you to send a
short note to the office requesting
continuation of the bus for next year.

If your family lives at 20 Chichester
Ave., it is also necessary to request a
school bus for next year.

We would like to have all of the requests
as soon as possible, so they can be
submitted to our board's transportation
department.

Cross Country Training

St. Gerald School is once again including cross country training for our students, as part of Daily Physical Activity this term.

We encourage full participation in this communal effort, recognizing how important it is to instill in our students the habits of regular exercise.

Serving in Canada's Military in Afghanistan

Daniel Pereira, the son of Mrs. Pereira, one of our Education Assistants, is serving in Afghanistan with the F Battalion 2nd Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. He very kindly sent a flag signed by all of his troop mates and some pictures to our school. Below is a picture of the display that we've created in the hallway near the library.

Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Daniel, to his troop, and to all of the men and women serving in Afghanistan.



Reminder of Our Board's Cell Phone Policy

Page 5 of the student agenda indicates our Board's policy on cell phones for students. Students are permitted to have a cell phone at school, in order to

contact their parents before or after school, if necessary. During the school day, cell phones should be powered off and not used by students. Parents are asked to call the school office, if they need to contact their children.

