



## **A Message from the Director of Education and Chair of the Board**

### **Celebrating Our Education Support Staff March 5, 2018**

The Toronto Catholic District School Board recognizes the first Monday in March as Education Support Staff Appreciation Day – a day to highlight the many staff who are invaluable in helping to shape welcoming, caring, safe and accepting learning environments for our students.

Let us all celebrate and show appreciation for this diverse group of individuals on March 5<sup>th</sup> for the energy, enthusiasm and care that they devote to our school communities and their commitment to student achievement and well-being. We thank them for ensuring a safe and supportive learning environment for students. They foster positive, trusting relationships with students and improve the school climate by supporting teachers/staff and encouraging parent and family involvement in education.

Our students need the love and support of a wide variety of caring and dedicated adults in order to become the best they can be, and to aspire to the goals set out in the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations.

During this **Year of the School**, we are proud to shine a spotlight on the collective energy and effort of all our staff, in partnership with our parishes and families who together form the foundation upon which our school communities are built.

We thank our support staff for all that they do each and every day to help our students to engage fully in the life of the school, and to succeed in their endeavours.

We pray for God's continued blessing on the important work that you do each and every day.

Thank you!

***Rory McGuckin***  
***Director of Education***

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