



A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Celebrating Our Staff in October

Congratulations to everyone on a great start to the new school year! We appreciate the planning and hard work that our caretakers, teachers, administrative and support staff put into making sure that our students get off on the right foot.

We know that the success of our school system depends on the talent, commitment and collective effort of many people. During the month of October, a number of special days have been designated provincially, nationally and internationally to acknowledge some of the many dedicated staff who make our school communities a better place to learn, work and play.

On **Monday, October 2nd** we recognize **National Custodial Workers' Day**. We are so grateful to our custodial and maintenance staff for their dedication to maintaining our buildings throughout the school year, but also for their hard work during the summer months to ensure that our schools, classrooms and playgrounds are ready for September.

On **Thursday, October 5th, World Teachers' Day** we acknowledge our educators who inspire and encourage our students to succeed to the best of their abilities. Their commitment to excellence, their caring and compassion are the hallmark of our Catholic schools. Thank you for your continued commitment to student achievement and well-being.

Finally, **Wednesday, October 25th** has been set aside as **Early Childhood Educators' and Childcare Workers' Appreciation Day**. These staff members play a key role in the early growth and development of our youngest students, nurturing and guiding them in the earliest stages of their education. We are thankful for their devotion to the children entrusted to us, and for their partnership in the delivery of our early learning and care programs.

Each school will be receiving a poster via courier to remind us of these special celebrations throughout the month of October, and remind you to share the good news and the good works of our staff through social media. We encourage everyone to take time to acknowledge your colleagues for the work that they do to support our common goal of educating every student to reach their full potential.

To all our staff, we thank you for the energy, enthusiasm and care that you devote to our schools and our students. We applaud you for your successes, and we ask for God's continued blessing on the invaluable work that you do each and every day.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

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Director of Education

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Chair of the Board