



## **Family Day Message From the Director of Education And Chair of the Board**

The school year is about halfway through, and it's a wonderful time to look back at the accomplishments so far, as well as looking forward to the challenges that may lie ahead.

As partners in Catholic education, our families are a vital component to the success of our students.

We recently celebrated Family Literacy Day, which reminds us of the importance of sharing the love of literature and the love of learning with our children. Now Family Day is almost upon us, with yet another reminder of how blessed we are to belong to a family, whether that be the traditional family of relatives, or perhaps a close knit group of friends or colleagues, and of course our parish families.

While this should not be the only time that we focus on those who we care most about, Family Day provides us with a small window of time where we are reminded to step away from work and the day to day demands and pressures of everyday life, and focus on the people and the activities that we love.

We hope that all of you will take this opportunity to reconnect with your loved ones and focus on something that you enjoy.

To everyone in our Toronto Catholic District School Board family, we say thank you for all that you do to support student success and well-being. Each of you is an important member of our TCDSB family, and we wish you all the best.

| Have a safe, happy and restful Family Day weekend.

Sincerely,

Angela Gauthier  
Director of Education

Jo-Ann Davis  
Chair of the Board

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
in you we contemplate  
the splendour of true love,  
to you we turn with trust.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,  
grant that our families too  
may be places of communion and  
prayer,  
authentic schools of the Gospel  
and small domestic Churches.*

*Source: Pope Family,  
Sunday, 29 Francis, Angelus, for Feast of  
the Holy December 2013*