

# **Thank You to Our School Bus Drivers**

## **School Bus Driver Appreciation Day**

**October 21, 2015**

School Bus Safety Week is being recognized this year on October 19-23, 2015 which serves as a reminder and an opportunity for all of us to focus our attention on safe travel to and from school and to show our appreciation for our school bus operators.

Approximately 30,000 students at the Toronto Catholic District School Board use school transportation to get to and from school each day. The safety and well-being of our students is a collaborative effort among our parents, our school communities, our school bus drivers and ultimately all residents in the City of Toronto.

During School Bus Safety Week, we are reminded of the important service that our school bus drivers provide by ensuring that our children arrive safely to their destination, whether that be home, school, a special event or field trip venue.

We recognize the care and attention that is required to safely operate a school bus, and understand the challenges of piloting a vehicle through heavy traffic, and sometimes less than ideal road conditions due to weather, construction and other unforeseen circumstances.

On School Bus Driver Appreciation Day, we extend our sincere appreciation to all of our school bus drivers for their commitment to the safety of our children, and we applaud them for the work that they do each and every day to support safe schools and safe communities.

Wishing you all a safe and happy day!

*Angela Gauthier*  
**Director of Education**

*Michael Del Grande*  
**Chair of the Board**