



Year End Message from the Director of Education and Chair of the Board

As we reach the end of the school year, we take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to all of you for your continued commitment to, and involvement in, Catholic education.

Our students and staff are to be congratulated for the wide variety of achievements and celebrations that took place this past year. The numerous school anniversaries and the many awards and accolades for our students, staff and school communities recognizing community service, social justice initiatives, academic excellence, the arts and athletics demonstrate our commitment to Catholic Social Teaching and showcase the dedication of our staff to our students.

The Year of the Parish was celebrated with a number of special events and activities, culminating with our Parish Family Day which highlighted the special connection our schools have with their parishes, pastors, and religious orders. Students creatively demonstrated this connection through the use of words, music, videos, and art.

We are so grateful to the pastors, parishes and Archdiocese of Toronto for their dedication to our students, their families, and to Catholic education. As we conclude our Year of the Parish, we can reflect on the wonderful relationships that exist between our parishes and schools, and the commitment to continue our education in faith.

At the administrative level, success was achieved with the announcement that TCDSB will achieve a balanced budget in 2017, eliminating a multi-million dollar deficit a full year ahead of schedule. To learn about this and other highlights from the 2016-2017 school year, you can watch the Director's Voice Webcast at: http://archive.isiglobal.ca/vod/tcdsb/Board/Director/archive_Directors-Voice-2017-June.mp4.html

We thank our parents, staff, students and Catholic stakeholders for their continued support of TCDSB's ongoing commitment to student achievement and well-being. We look forward to the year ahead, as we begin the **Year of the School**.

As you depart for some well-deserved time with your family and friends, we wish you a safe, happy and relaxing vacation. Thank you for being part of our TCDSB school community. Have a wonderful summer!

Yours in Catholic Education,

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