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BACK TO SCHOOL WEEK

CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Toronto, ON – The Toronto Catholic District School Board kicks off the 2019-2020 school year with Back to School Week events.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

When: 8:00 a.m.

What: **First Day in a New School**

Where: St. John the Evangelist Catholic School, 28 George Street, York, ON, M9N 2B5

Details: TCDSB received funding from the Province of Ontario for the construction of a replacement school building for St. John the Evangelist Catholic School. Construction is now completed and the school will open its doors for the first time on September 3rd.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

When: 11:00 a.m.

What: **Spotlight on SHSM Culinary Program**

Where: St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy, 40 Sewells Road, Scarborough, ON, M1B 3G5

Details: Culinary students, as part of the Specialist High Skills Major Program will be showcasing their culinary skills by preparing a BBQ to welcome students.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

When: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

What: **Enhancing Student Learning through Outdoor Play**

Where: Holy Family Catholic School, 141 Close Avenue, Toronto, ON, M6K 2V6

Details: The Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) Program encourages play outdoors in a freely chosen, intrinsically motivated and self-directed way. Through the OPAL program at Holy Family Catholic School, students engage in self-directed play with "loose parts" (tools, boxes, spare tires, fabric, etc.), boosting their sense of agency and creating a more inclusive and reciprocal social environment.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

When: 10:00 a.m.

What: **Goal! School Soccer Team Tests Out Their New FIFA-Grade Sports Field during Official Opening**

Where: Michael Power/St. Joseph Catholic High School, 105 Eringate Dr, Etobicoke, M9C 3Z7

Details: As one of the City of Toronto's leaders in providing open access to its facilities for recreational and community use, the Toronto Catholic District School Board replaced the current grass field at Michael Power - St. Joseph Catholic Secondary School with a synthetic turf field for its high school students. This is part of the Board's plan to improve and revitalize sports fields at TCDSB schools across the City of Toronto over the next 2 years. The school soccer team will test out their new field for practice following an official ribbon cutting and ceremonial goal kick. The school's marching band will also perform at the opening ceremonies.

Media are invited to attend.

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