



*Office of the Director of Education
Office of the Chair of the Board*

February 18, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We have just learned that the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) which represents all elementary and secondary teachers in the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) will be engaging in rotating strikes next week unless an agreement is reached with the Government of Ontario prior to that time. *We also learned that negotiation talks between OECTA and the Government will resume this week.*

In addition to last week's message advising that **schools will be closed on Friday, February 21st due to a province-wide strike**, Catholic teachers at the TCDSB will also be engaged in a **one-day strike on Monday, February 24th**. With no teachers in classes on those days, the Board will be forced to **close schools on the following dates:**

- Friday, February 21
- Monday, February 24

Parents of elementary children are again reminded to consult with child care providers regarding any potential impacts.

We recognize that the ongoing job action can be challenging for some families, and we continue to hope that an agreement will be reached soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. McGuckin".

Rory McGuckin
Director of Education

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Martino".

Joe Martino
Chair of the Board