



St. Rene Goupil Catholic School September 2016



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From the Principal

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year at St. Rene Goupil Catholic School! We are pleased to see our returning students and we also welcome new families and staff to our school. Through continued partnership between home, school and parish, we will work together to provide your children with a safe, respectful and engaging learning environment.

Principal

J. Pasia

We are committed to continuing standards of excellence and providing your children with every opportunity to learn, grow, achieve and celebrate in all that our school has to offer! We take pride in the many ways that we strive to enhance your child's experience here at St. Rene Goupil. We will keep you updated on upcoming events through our monthly newsletters and calendars.

Administrative

Assistant

J. Sayegh

We are entering the second year of the TCDSB pastoral plan aiming to enhance the faith life of students, staff, and community members. Our focus is Together With One Voice: Harmonizing our Faith through Family, Parish and School. In this second year of the plan, we focus on the Parish, which guides us in our connection with the Lord.

Superintendent

K. Malcolm

As we have continued to register new students throughout the first few weeks of school, we will be reorganizing a number of classes in order to adhere to class size regulations and provide our students with the best possible learning situations.

CSPC Chair

K. Moon

Mr. Stepanian has decided to retire from the TCDSB, we would like to thank him for all he has done for St. Rene Goupil last year. We welcome back Ms. Mendoza from her maternity leave. We also would like to welcome Ms. Cheung, Mr. Dent, Ms. Florio and Mr. Mogavero to our staff.

Parish

**Prince of Peace R.C.
Church**

My name is Mr. John Pasia and I am the new principal. I am looking forward to work with you and your children here at St. Rene Goupil.

416-291-9422

God Bless

School Hours

9:00a.m.-3:30p.m.

Lunch hour

11:45-12:45

Recesses

10:42-10:57

2:10-2:25

Prayer for Harmonizing our Faith Through Family, Parish and School

Almighty and ever-loving God, We give you thanks for the blessings of our Families, where the seed of faith is planted; for the Body of Christ, the Church, where faith is celebrated, and for our schools, where faith is nurtured.

Lord, we believe that Catholic Education is at its best when Families, Parishes and Schools play, pray and work together to spread the Good News to all. Help us to imitate the unity of the Trinity as we continue to grow in our faith and love towards you and to one another.

Through the guidance of the Holy Family, the model of all Christian families, and the intercession of all the Saints, may our Families, Parishes, and Schools remain places where the Gospel is shared with joy, courage and love. We pray through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



School Hours and Safe Arrival

Parents are asked to call the school at 416-393-5408, press 1 and leave a message if a child is going to be late or absent from school. Please state the date, your child's name, their grade and the reason for the absence. This is an important safe arrival routine that assists us in knowing who is absent. Our school bell rings at 9:00a.m. to start the day. It is very important that students arrive on time daily to begin each day at school. Late arrivals disrupt the learning of your child and others in their class. Thank you for your continued cooperation in establishing punctual routines for your children. Any student leaving the school during the day due to appointments must be signed out at the office. This ensures that our staff is aware of when and with whom your child is leaving the building.



If you arrive after the 9:00 am bell, please go to the office and receive a late slip.

St. Rene Goupil Uniform/Dress Code Policy

St. Rene Goupil students are accustomed to our dress code of navy blue and white. The TCDSB has a Uniform/Dress Code policy for all elementary students across the board adhering to the uniform policy. Congratulations to the St. Rene Goupil Catholic School Community for their commitment to the uniform policy and for being ahead of the game on this initiative! Thank you for your support in sending your children to school consistently in uniform, ready to learn. Bravo!



Visitors to the School



Please begin your visit to the school by reporting in at the main office. We ask that you sign in into the visitors binder. Thank you for your cooperation of our Safe Schools initiatives and our ongoing commitment in providing a safe and welcoming learning environment for your children.

Agendas

Agendas will be used by students in Grade 1-6 as an excellent communication tool for parents, students and teachers to follow. It is key that parents check their child's agenda each night and feel free to communicate with the teacher via this important tool. We also respectfully request that all parents read through the opening pages of the agenda with your children. These pages cover essential school information such as our code of conduct, lunch time and bus expectations to name just a few topics.



Progressive Discipline The Code of Conduct and expectations for students are outlined in the agenda. We rely on the partnership between parents and school to establish and reinforce routines and expectations for students. Thank you for your ongoing cooperation and support. Together, we make St. Rene Goupil a safe and respectful learning environment through upholding high expectations for all students in terms of behavior and respect for others. We are guided by our Gospel Values and compassion when assisting our students to work through conflict when it arises. We address each incident according to the child and the circumstances of the situation. Please continue to support us in teaching the children to consistently make good choices and always live by the golden rules of respect and love towards one another. We will communicate concerns and work together to ensure the students understand the expectations and follow the code of conduct for a safe and happy school.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Toronto Catholic District School Board does **not** provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries that occur on school premises or during school activities. Accidents can and do happen. Some injuries incur medical, dental or other expenses that are not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans. As a parent or guardian, you become responsible for these expenses. For your convenience, the Board has arranged a Student Accident Insurance Policy exclusively through Reliable Life Insurance Company. Participation in such a program is voluntary and the costs are to be paid by the parent or guardian. This program offers a variety of plans and benefits at affordable prices.

The insurance agreement is between you and Reliable Life Insurance Company. An Application will be sent home with your child, or, if preferable, you may apply directly at: www.insuremykids.com

PIZZA LUNCHESES!!

PIZZA LUNCHESES WILL BE ON WEDNESDAYS AGAIN THIS YEAR, **STARTING ON SEPTEMBER 14TH.**

SUPPLIER: PIZZA PIZZA—> Prices for pizza slices will remain the same as last year! **\$3.00 per slice** with drink and treat or **\$4.00 for 2 slices** with drink and treat.

All money collected from pizza sales goes to school buses for class trips. All students are encouraged to participate.



Lunch at School

Students are not permitted to leave school at lunch without supervision. We ask that you help to enforce this important rule by encouraging children to bring lunch to school daily. Safety of the students is paramount. If you have made arrangements for your child to go home for lunch, please communicate this with the school. Thank you for your cooperation.

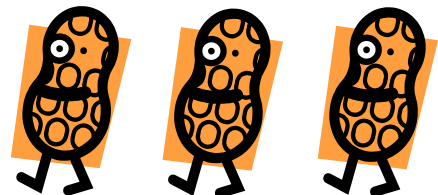


Nutrition Program

Our fabulous nutrition program will continue again this year! Thank you to Ms. V. Dadlani for facilitating this program for our students. The program has been very popular among students and staff and we look forward to continuing to provide nutritious and delicious snacks throughout the year.

Medical Allergies—Anaphylaxis Alert!

St. Rene Goupil is a peanut free school. There are a number of students who suffer from allergies when in contact with peanuts or peanut-products. Please be respectful of this serious condition and do not send any peanut products to school. If your child has any anaphylactic allergy to peanuts or other foods, it is imperative that the school is informed. The medical information form sent home on the first day of school must be returned as soon as possible and Epi pens need to be kept with children and in the school office. We appreciate your cooperation in working together with us to keep our students safe.



DROPPING OFF & PICKING UP STUDENTS

When dropping off students at the turnaround, we ask that you drop and go and strictly abide by the “never park your car and leave” rule! Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU ARE NOT PERMITTED, AT ANY TIME, TO PARK IN THE ROUNDABOUT AND LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE. THANK YOU FOR ADHERING TO THIS SAFETY INITIATIVE.

ST. RENE GOUPIL ENROLMENT AND STAFFING UPDATES

School registration is ongoing as our students and teachers settle into their classrooms. As a result, there will be reorganization of classes once board approval of staffing is complete. Any changes to assigned classes for students will be communicated by **September 30th**. We thank you for your patience and cooperation and look forward to another exciting year.

CSPC (CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL)

All parents are welcome to attend our first CSPC meeting which will be held on

September 26, 2016 at 7PM

St. Rene Goupil Garage Sale

Saturday, October 1, 2016

10:00AM-2PM in the gym

\$20 to setup a table in the gym and sell all your wares. *“One person’s junk is another person’s treasure.”*



ST. RENE GOUPIL STAFF LIST 2016/2017

<u>TEACHER'S NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Ms. Carbone	ELP
Ms. Mendoza	Grade 1/2
Ms. Kinoshita	Grade 3
Mr. Mogavero (Mr. Aaron)	Grade 4/5
Ms. Cheung	Grade 6
Mr. Douris	Grade 7/8
Mr. Dent	Special Education
Mr. Aceto	Phys. Ed./Health
Ms. How	FRENCH
Ms. Florio	Ed. Assist.
Ms. Van Gramberg	Ed. Assist
Mr. Pasia	Principal
Ms. Barillaro	Librarian
Ms. Soo	Vocal Music
Mr. Salazar	Instrumental Music
Ms. Sayegh	Secretary
Mr. Arndt	Head Caretaker
Ms. Dadlani	Nutrition Program
Ms. Pinto	Lunch Supervisor
Ms. Yu	Lunch Supervisor
Ms. Tran	Lunch Supervisor

Knights of Columbus Council 9144 Soccer Free Kick Challenge

The Knights of Columbus, Prince of Peace Council is hosting a Soccer Free Kick tournament for children of schools belonging to the Prince of Peace Parish. Your children ages 9-14 are invited to attend this free event. It taking place at the day and time below. See you there!

Date: Saturday, September 17, 2016

Time: 10:00AM to 1:00PM

Location: Muirlands Park, 40 Muirland Drive (Adjacent to Divine Infant Catholic School),
Scarborough, ON M1V2B4

Contact: Program Chairman, Rocky Hsuing 647-710-4271



Digital copy of newsletter

Any parent/guardian interested who did not receive the newsletter electronically please let Ms. Sayegh know so that she can add you to our email list. Thank you.

