



HOLY ROSARY HIGHLIGHTS

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HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME BACK! WE HOPE YOU HAVE ALL ENJOYED A RESTFUL AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER HOLIDAY. THE STAFF OF HOLY ROSARY ARE EXCITED TO START A NEW YEAR OF LEARNING AND GROWING TOGETHER!



The monthly newsletter and calendar will provide you with the most important school news and updates. The school website and Twitter feed will be home to regular school news and updates. **Follow us on Twitter @HolyRosaryTCDSB** and check the school website for school information. The Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC) will communicate regularly through email. Please check out our CSPC and Parent Info bulletin boards outside the main office for regular updates and community events.

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

We would like to welcome the newest members of the Holy Rosary Staff:

- ☼ Mme Gitto, Grade 2 French Immersion; Mme Baptista, Grade 1 French Immersion; Mr. Baird, French Specialty; Ms Corrado, Library Technician; Ms Magurno, Education Assistant
- ☼ We welcome Mrs. Punsalang, Grade 3/4, Ms Di Berardino, Grade 4/5, and Mr. Laur, Vocal Music who will be covering for teachers on leave.

BACK TO SCHOOL REMINDERS

- ☼ **Please communicate student lates and absences directly to the school office by 9:30 a.m.** You may call to leave a message outside of regular office hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)
- ☼ Help us keep Holy Rosary healthy! Please do not send your child to school if they are ill.
- ☼ Holy Rosary is a **peanut and nut free school**. Please take care when packing lunches and snacks to ensure the safety of all students. Teachers will communicate any class-specific allergy concerns to ensure that all classes are allergy-safe.
- ☼ Holy Rosary will start litterless lunch this year, which includes the use of reusable containers, water bottles and cutlery. Any un-eaten food and non-recyclable food packaging will be sent home. Holy Rosary stainless steel water bottles are available for purchase in the main office for \$8. Proceeds support our school Nutrition Program.
- ☼ The Holy Rosary dress code is **navy and white**. Please ensure your child is dressed in navy and white, including all sweaters and hoodies worn in the school. **Crested uniform items** will be available for purchase again later this fall. Stay tuned for details on pricing and ordering.
- ☼ Thank you to our CSPC who generously provided the student agendas this year for each child in grades 1 to 8. **Replacement agendas are \$5**. Please take some time to read our school's handbook and code of conduct contained in the first 8 pages of the agenda. A copy of this handbook is also available on the school website. A school year calendar, with PD days and holidays, is included in the agenda and on the website.

NEW SCHOOL YARD GATE AND SAFE ARRIVAL

A new gate has been installed at the north entrance of the school yard. A staff member will be on duty to open the gate and allow students in at the start of supervision at 8:45. To maintain student safety, no parents/guardians will be permitted on the school yard at this time. This will be the entrance gate for all students. The gate will be locked through the school day and opened again at dismissal at 3:25. Students will be dismissed to parents at the gate at the end of the school day.

If your child arrives after 9 am, please proceed to the main office to get a late slip. If you need to pick up your child before 3:30, please come to the main office to sign him/her out for the day.

A MESSAGE FROM THE TCDSB SPECIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

As part of the TCDSB's goal of Fostering Student Achievement and Well Being, the Special Services department endeavours to support our special education students in achieving academic excellence and meeting the Ontario Catholic Graduate School Expectations. The department offers a variety of supports to students based on their need(s) and/or identification(s). For further information please visit the Special Services department link: <https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SpecialEducation/Pages/default.aspx> Parents/caregivers are reminded that if they require support in accessing the Special Services department link, they may ask the school principal for assistance.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SUPPLY LUNCH SUPERVISORS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAY BE, PLEASE CONTACT THE MAIN OFFICE FOR INFO.



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