



OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Principal's Address

It is hard to believe that we are already in the Month of November. It has been a busy 2 months to start of the year, but I can tell you that the staff and students are so happy and joyful to be in school. In October we celebrated numerous activities such as Thanksgiving, Our Terry Fox Walk and Halloween. November will likely be just as busy with our Treaties and Recognition Week, National Indigenous Veterans Day and Remembrance Day and of course our CSPC Annual Fundraiser (Terracotta Cookies). In November we celebrate the virtue of PEACE. Peace in our speech, peace in our actions and peace in our thoughts. Please see one of my Favorite Prayers and Hymns which commemorates this most important virtue.



Prayer of St. Francis

*Lord, Make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that
we are born to eternal life.
~Amen*

Ms. Teresa Silva

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Enrollment- 298

NEW REGISTRANTS WELCOME

Apply online: soar.tcdsb.org
Call **416-393-Phone#** or the **TCDSB Admissions Department** at 416-222-8282, ext. 2383.

For general information about the Toronto Catholic District School Board, please visit the website at www.tcdsb.org

Stay in touch with the latest news throughout the school year:
Follow **@TCDSB** on Twitter.

Drop off and Pick Up

Please continue to drop your child off in the morning and refrain from lingering. Parents and teachers have been doing a great job with the staggered dismissal and entry times.

When you are stopping your vehicle to drop off your children, please ensure that busses have ample room to park. Often cars have stopped, and busses have little room to park and drop children off. Busses require a lot of space as they are obviously quite large so please allow space.

Passports

Please continue to complete your children's passports each day. The parents are the foremost individuals in assessing whether their child is healthy to come to school. When the passport is not complete, office staff must call home and wait for a response which delays your child from entering the classroom for sometimes up to 20 minutes. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Virtue of the Month Students

Congratulations to the following students who demonstrated the virtue of Gratitude.

Ms. Szakola/Ms. Gomes- Elharie Akira Ordonio

Ms.Raso/Ms. Altomari- Lauren Cambay

Ms. Cardone- Mariella Gastala

Ms. Pignataro- Pia Pacleb

Ms. Pena-Vital- Maxine Gabreille Cortes

Ms. Rizzo- Lousie Tiri

Ms. Rozowski- Joshua Miranda

Ms. Furiato- Gabriel Abcede

Mr. Ciraco- Marco Rivera

Ms. Le Blanc- Elijah Pope-Wade

Ms. Sergnese- Ericka Paragas

Reporting Absences

When students are sick or unable to come to school please call the Safe Arrival Program. It is far too busy in the office to record absences and this program has been in use by the board for 3 years now. You have 3 options to record the absence.

1. Call 1(833)251-3286 (toll free)
2. Online – go.schoolmessenger.ca
3. School Messenger App

Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Mass with Father Lorenzo

We celebrated our first mass in person together on October 22nd. It was wonderful to have Father Lorenzo come to celebrate with us in person as we have not been able to do this for almost 2 years. We had Ms. Artiga and Ms.

Leblanc's classes in person in the gym while the rest of the school participated through live stream. Thankyou to all the parents who logged in from home. Our next Mass will be our Advent Mass and it will take place on Tuesday December 14th, 2021 at 9:30 AM. The zoom link will be sent once again closer to the date of the mass.

Terry Fox Fundraiser

I would like to thank all of you who have donated so generously to the Terry Fox Fundraiser. Our school raised \$1993.00. I am truly touched by your generosity. So many of us have been touched by cancer in some capacity and your generous donations will go towards hopefully find a cure and treatment advancements in our futures and the futures of our children.

Canned Food Drive for Thanksgiving

We would like to thank all of you who have donated to our food drive. All items were donated to the St. Francis Food Table. Thank you to Ms. Leblanc's students who assisted in packing all items and packing up the delivery van.

Halloween Celebrations

We had a wonderful day of celebration on Halloween. The students dressed in adorable and frightful costumes. They enjoyed a cardio- dance in the gym. (Following all Public Health Protocols). Students also received a Halloween cookie and chocolate Milk for the day. If you are celebrating Halloween this weekend, please be safe and always go trick or treating with company.

CSPC Meeting

Please note that our CSPC meeting will take place on November 17th, 2021 at 7PM. The zoom link will be sent to all in the parent community the morning of the meeting. All are welcome- Please join us!

Sacramental Preparations

Sacramental registration is now underway! On Monday, October 25th, 2021 at 7PM all grade 2 and 3 parents met with Father Lorenzo on line to register their children and learn about the preparations that will be taking place to prepare the children for the sacrament.

On Monday November 1st, 2021, parents of grade 7 and 8 Confirmation students are to attend a meeting at the church to register and learn more about sacramental preparation program.

If you missed these important meetings, please contact Nora or Father Lorenzo at 416-787-4547 as soon as possible.

Pizza Days

Pizza days are back at OLA. Pizza Days will take place every Thursday and each pizza slice will come individually packaged. Please note that all orders must be pre-ordered to ensure proper staffing and amounts of pizza ordered. We are also asking that orders be placed online. Schools in the TCDSB are encouraged to not have cash in the school so we are moving in this direction this year. Of course, exceptions can be made if you are in a situation where online banking would be impossible. Your child may bring the cash in and we have forms indicating which days your child would like the pizza and whether they are choosing cheese or pepperoni. Thankyou to our Parent Volunteers and School staff for facilitating our future Pizza Days.

CSPC Terracotta Cookie Fundraiser

We are excited to start our Terracotta Cookie Fundraiser again this year!!! All parents will be emailed the link to our fundraising school page. All orders are going to be online this year. These cookies will be ready just in time for the

Holiday Season and are great gifts or treats when hosting family events. There are gluten free options, vegan options, and many others. Our last day to order cookies will be November 26th. Cookies will be delivered on December 10 and December 17th. You will be notified when your cookies are ready for pick up. Please note that if you have a large order you may need to pick up your child that day as it may be too heavy for him or her to carry home.

There will be wonderful prizes for our winners!

1st Place – Nintendo Switch

2nd Place- \$150 Yorkdale Gift Card

3rd Place Family Movie Tickets (2 adults/2 children)

Consolation Prizes- 2 \$25 dollar Tim Horton Gift Cards

- 2 \$25 dollar Star Bucks Gift Cards
- 3 Pizza Parties for our top 3 sellers.

Thank you for supporting our Fundraiser and all proceeds will go towards purchases for the school, guest speakers and programs for our students throughout the year.

Treaties Recognition Week- November 1st to November 5th

Treaties Recognition Week was introduced by the Ontario government in 2016 to recognize and understand the importance of treaty education and to help everyone in Ontario to learn about treaties.

National Indigenous Veterans Day

In keeping with system-wide priorities such as the dismantling systemic racism, the TCDSB is proud to honor and remember the lives, sacrifices and contributions of Indigenous Peoples to Canada by recognizing National Indigenous Veterans Day on November 8th, 2021. Student will be viewing presentations and learning about these contributions.

Remembrance Day

Students will be receiving poppies again this year and learning about this day in their classroom. Thankyou for your generous donations for poppies. You will receive an envelope to donate if you wish.

News from the TCDSB

[Multi-Year Strategic Plan \(MYSP\) Survey](#) The MYSP online survey is now available. Deadline to complete the survey is **November 30, 2021**.

Upcoming Observances

- **November 1:** [All Saints Day](#)
- **November 1-5:** [Treaties Recognition Week](#)
- **November 1-5:** [English as a Second Language Week](#)
- **November 1-7:** Holocaust Education Week
- **November 2:** [All Souls Day](#)
- **November 3:** [Take Our Kids to Work Day](#)

- **November 4:** Diwali
- **November 8:** [National Indigenous Veterans Day](#)

November 11: [Remembrance Day](#)