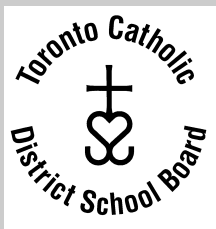


**Prince of Peace
Catholic School**



Justice in Action!

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112
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April 2021

Catholic School News

From the Principal...

As we prepare for the Holy Season we give gratitude for the sunshine and warmer weather.

Our virtue of the month for April is Justice. We reflect on the mission as Catholics to work towards social justice for all human beings

Happy Holy Easter season to everyone as we look forward to signs of spring and renewal in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support.

Ms. Connolly

April's Virtue is Justice

We focus on the virtue of justice in April. At this time we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus who sought justice and died for the sake of the unjust, that He might lead people back to God. Justice is also an important part of Catholic teaching beyond Christ's Death and Resurrection. We strive to do justice and to respect the dignity of every human person, as we are all created in God's image.

'Let justice flow like a stream, and righteousness like a river that never goes dry.'

Amos 5:24



School News and Reminders

Supervision Reminder:

This is a gentle reminder that morning supervision does not begin until **8:45am**. Please do not send children before this time.

Visitors:

Parents, in order to ensure every child's privacy as well as a sense of safety, please buzz and wait for the office to respond when dropping off children or items. If you wish to speak to a teacher, please call or send a note to make an appointment. If your child needs to be walked to class, we will buzz the class and the teacher will send a buddy to walk your child to class.

Morning Drop off:

Thank you so very much parents for your support with the safety guidelines listed below.

Parents please do not use the driveway located at the front of the school as a parking lot.

Please do not park in the staff parking lot.

The driveway located at the front of the school is designated for our "Special Needs Buses" and "Kiss and Ride" only.

The bus drivers need to be able to have immediate access to park their buses safely.

Students need to be able to safely exit from their bus.

The support staff needs to be safe when assisting students exiting the bus

Gentle reminder...

Please make sure to label your child's clothing. We have a surplus of clothing items in our Lost and Found box.

Parent Council News

Virtual Concert Performance by Errol Lee
On Wednesday April 21, 2021.
More information to follow.



JK Registration

Registration continues for children beginning Junior Kindergarten in September 2021.
For more information please call school.



Nutrition Program

A "Thank You" to our student nutrition program and the support of our parent donations. Parents can continue to support the program through donations via Cash on Line.



Happy Easter Holidays!

Friday April 2nd—Monday April 5th
NO SCHOOL



April Break:

Monday April 12th—Friday April 16th, 2021
Return to school on Monday April 19, 2021



Monthly Update from the Board

April 2021

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2021-2022 Budget Consultation and Virtual Town Halls

Share your feedback about student supports, staffing and facilities! This year's consultation will feature an online survey from April 1 – 30, 2021, in addition to three themed Virtual Town Halls:

Theme 1 Students: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Theme 2 Staffing: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Theme 3 Facilities: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

For more information, including Frequently Asked Questions, visit www.tcdsb.org/budget2021

Easter Holiday and April Break Reminders

Please be advised that all TCDSB schools and offices will be closed on Friday, April 2 (Good Friday) and Monday April 5 (Easter Monday). Classes will resume Tuesday, April 6, 2021.

The Ministry of Education has announced that March Break for all publicly funded schools in Ontario will now take place **April 12 to 17, 2021**.

Update RE: Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test

Please note TCDSB will not administer the optional OSSLT for students in Grades 10 and 11 planned for the spring of 2021. <https://www.tcdsb.org/FORSTUDENTS/back-to-school/Documents/osslt-tcdsb-march-2021.pdf>

Information and Resources for the 2020-2021 School Year

[TCDSB Top 10 Health and Safety Reminders](#)

[Equity Student and Family Community Resources](#)

[Supporting Students' Mental Health During a Pandemic \(COVID-19\)](#)

Equity Student and Family Resources

Resources for students and families to support 2SLGBTQ+ students, racialized students, and students experiencing poverty, grief/loss, and homelessness. <https://www.tcdsb.org/FORCOMMUNITY/CommunityRelations/Equity-Events-Resources/Pages/Student-and-Family-Community-Resources.aspx>

Anti-Asian Racism Statement from the Director of Education and Chair of the Board

<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/BoardAdministration/DirectorofEducation/Documents/tcdsb-statement-march-2021.pdf>

TCDSB Race Relations Committee: Applications for Membership

Members of the TCDSB community are invited to consider serving on the Race Relations Committee (RRC). **Deadline to apply: April 2, 2021.**

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORCOMMUNITY/CommunityRelations/AdvisoryCommittees/Documents/race-relations-committee-application-form.pdf>

FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES & INFORMATION

EarlyON Centres ONLINE Programs

TCDSB Early ON Child & Family Centres - located at 19 TCDSB schools - are currently offering ONLINE programs & services to families, including interactive fun, stimulating early learning activities to do at home, provided by qualified ECEs. Contact your nearest EarlyON Centre for details: <https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/EarlyYears/EarlyON/Pages/default.aspx>

JVS Toronto: Path 2 Work

JVS Toronto offers free services to help youth and adults with developmental disabilities find employment. <https://www.jvstoronto.org/>

Toronto Public Library Brainfuse: Online Homework Help

For students in grades K-12 offered daily from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Also includes practice tests, support for adult learners, writing assistance, skills building and more. <https://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/detail.jsp?Entt=RDMEADB01938&R=EDB0193>

Mental Health Resources

CMHO: [Your Child's Mental Wellness and Remote Learning](#)

City of Toronto: [COVID-19: Mental Health Resources: It's OK not to feel OK](#)

Ontario: [Mental health services for children and youth](#)

Sign Up for School Messenger for Absence Reporting and More

The student absence reporting system is also used to send critical and urgent messages from your school, and from the school Board. For more information <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>).

Get Updates on School Bus Service

<https://busplannerweb.torontoschoolbus.org/Cancellations.aspx>

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES & INFORMATION

Anti-Racism Video Contest: DEADLINE EXTENDED

What's your message for standing up to injustice? Students in grades 7 to 12 are invited to get creative and submit their video reflections. Individual or team submissions. Cash prizes for winning entries. **Deadline: Friday, April 9, 2021 at 5 p.m.** Questions? Contact jodelyn.huang@tcdsb.org.

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORCOMMUNITY/HeritageCelebration/AfricanCanadianHeritage/Pages/Anti-Racism-Video-Competition.aspx>

STEM Camp: Summer 2021 Camp Counsellor Jobs

Stem Camp has 85 locations across Ontario and are hiring 600 camp counsellors this summer. <https://stemcamp.ca/summer-camp-jobs/>

Reason One Mentorship & Scholarship Program

One \$10,000 scholarship and five (5) \$1000 micro-scholarships awarded to Black students between the ages of 17-35 years old enrolled or recently accepted in a digital-discipline program, pursuing or with plans to pursue a career in tech. Deadline: April 20, 2021. <https://www.reasononeinc.com/romsp>

Need someone to talk to?

Kids Help Phone is there for you with 24/7 confidential support. Counsellors can be reached by phone at 1-800-668-6868 or by texting CONNECT to 686868. <https://kidshelpphone.ca>

LGBT YouthLine offers confidential and non-judgemental LGBTQ+ peer support through telephone, text and chat services. <https://www.youthline.ca>

EVENTS AND OBSERVANCES

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month

Virtue of the Month: Justice

Important Days

April 1: Holy Thursday

April 2: Good Friday (schools and offices are closed)

April 2: Autism Awareness Day

April 3: Holy Saturday

April 4: Easter Sunday

April 5: Easter Monday (schools and offices are closed)

April 5-9: Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 7: World Health Day

April 9: Vimy Ridge Day

April 14: International Day of Pink - LGBTQ antibullying awareness

April 22: Earth Day/School Clean-up Day

April 28: Administrative Assistants Day

April Meetings

April 6: Governance & Policy

April 7: Audit Committee

April 7: Portuguese Speaking Advisory Committee

April 8: Filipino Speaking Advisory Committee

April 8: Student Achievement & Well-Being

April 15: Corporate Services

April 19: Catholic Parent Involvement Committee

April 21: Special Education Advisory Committee

April 22: Regular Board Meeting

April 28: Nurturing Our Catholic Community

All Agendas and Minutes: <https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/TrusteesoftheBoard/boardmeeting/Pages/BoardMeeting.aspx>

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