



# SANTA MARIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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# CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

March 2019

## PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

As a school we are encouraging students to celebrate Lent by working hard to *change their hearts*. We are asking all students to offer their good works and behaviour to the Lord. Please support your child by reinforcing good behaviour.



Our Mid-Winter Break is scheduled for the week of March 11-15. I hope that everyone in our school community is able to enjoy some quality family time. If you are staying in the city consider all that the city has to offer: Science Centre, the Zoo, the local library or Kortright Conservation Centre. Come back to school rested and refreshed. Check out the Public Library for some programs during the March Break!



I would like to thank our parent volunteers for making delicious pancakes for our students on Shrove Tuesday. I encourage you to continue to support our snack program.

### March's Virtue of the Month – Forgiveness

How timely that the virtue for this month is FORGIVENESS, not only because we are in the season of Lent, but also because it is an important cornerstone of our faith and one that Jesus modeled for us in his life and death. We are reminded that forgiveness is a gift to ourselves as we let go of the burden of resentment when we forgive another person and it is a gift to our children, when we teach and model it to them.



Congratulations to the following recipients for February's Love certificate.

TEACHER	LOVE CERTIFICATE
Ms. Pastore/Ms. Dang	Noah S.
Ms. O'Neill/Ms. Figueiredo	Madelyn V.
Ms. Festa	Miguel R. D S.
Mr. Ferrinho	Samantha B. T.
Ms. Lombardo	Nosa J.
Mr. Tucci	Seanray L.

Ana Carreiro-Neto		
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Our Lady of Guadalupe, 416-767-8658		
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Susana Garcia		
CSPC CHAIR		
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CPIC (PARENT ENGAGEMENT - TCDSB)		
<a href="http://www.tcdsb.org/oapce-toronto">www.tcdsb.org/oapce-toronto</a>		
OAPCE TORONTO (PROVINCIAL VOICE FOR PARENTS)		
227	8:30-4:30	11:45-12:45
ENROLLMENT	HOURS OF OPERATION	LUNCH HOUR



## NEW REGISTRANTS WELCOME

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Ms. Azavedo	Francesca P.
Ms. Thornton	Cristiana B. E.
Ms. Pastore	Treyvon E.
Ms. Ianni	Adam S.
Ms. Carneiro	Nodin F.



### Parking Lot

Students are encouraged to walk to school. I have taken some information from our Board's transportation site.

Sometimes you just have to drive. Be it a 4 foot by 4 foot smoking volcano for science class that isn't allowed on the bus; or too much ice and snow to get there on the bike; or -35C and just a little too cold to walk to school there are times when families are going to drive their children to school. Some families may have no other options then to drive their children to school but we suggest a number of strategies to help alleviate the traffic congestion. First and foremost please respect the traffic laws and signs that are designed to control traffic around the schools. Please see the signage page to familiarize yourself with these signs not only to help keep traffic moving around the schools but avoid those large tickets that police enforcement will provide you when you are not following the letter of the law. Carpooling with neighbours will reduce the number of cars around the school minimizing congestions and reducing pollution levels around the schools. At all times we need to be safe and responsible motorists. That means we need to understand the laws governing transportation and be aware of our surroundings; especially in school zones. Students are more likely to be in an accident around school sites while being transported in personal vehicles then when walking; cycling; or taking the school bus or transit.



No U turns anywhere around the school!

Don't loiter around the school; your presence may contribute to the traffic congestion in the area.

**Our gate will be closed for safety reasons and if you are dropping off your child on Avon Ave, do not let your child cross the street unattended.**

### TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES 2018 - 2019

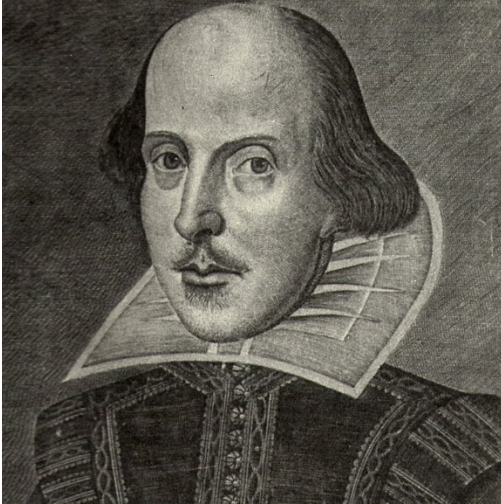
#### Wards

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2. Markus de Domenico	416-512-3402	9. Norm Di Pasquale	416-512-3409
3. Ida Li Preti	416-512-3403	10. Daniel Di Giorgio	416-512-3410
4. Teresa Lubinski	416-512-3404	11. Angela Kennedy	416-512-3411
5. Maria Rizzo, Chair	416-512-3405	12. Nancy Crawford	416-512-3412
6. Frank D'Amico	416-512-3406	Taylor Dallin, Student Trustee	416-512-3413
7. Michael Del Grande, Vice-Chair	416-512-3407	Joel Ndongmi, Student Trustee	416-512-3417



## Shakespeare Experience

Our students in Grades 3 – 6 will have the awesome opportunity to work with professional on a Shakespearean play. This program will begin after the March Break for 4 weeks. On May 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be going to watch a Shakespearean play.



## Cookie Dough Sales

Congratulations to Skyler, our top seller. He sold \$622 in sales. A round of applause to all of our students who contributed to our fundraiser. We made over \$2,000 in profit which will go to pay for our fun fair on **June 6, 2019**.



## Mural – Artist Experience

As part of our safe schools initiative, we applied for an Arts program. A small group of students in Grades 6-8 will work with an artist to create a mural. The theme of the mural will be to promote **PEACE**.



## Important Dates

First Communion – Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Confirmation – Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Gr. 8 Graduation – Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019

SK Graduation – Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Graduation Photos – Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019



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