



ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

May 2020

Principal's Message

We hope that you and your child/children and extended families are keeping well, and that you are all staying healthy and safe. We are continuing to keep you all in our thoughts and prayers during this pandemic. May God bless and watch over all our St. Andrew families!

We've planned 4 St. Andrew Spirit Days in May. The Spirit Days are:

- Fri. May 8 – Jersey Day
- Fri. May 15 – Pajama Day
- Fri. May 22 – Wacky Hair/Wacky Hat Day
- Fri. May 29 – Twin Day (with siblings or friends)

Please send pictures of your child/children participating in the St. Andrew Spirit Days to your child's Google Classroom, or email the picture to your child's teacher. If you are willing to have your child's picture from the Spirit Day on our school's Twitter account (@StAndrewTCDSB) or included in our June St. Andrew School Newsletter, please email the pictures to me at monica.rohel@tcdsb.org

May 4th to May 8th is Catholic Education Week, and the theme this year is "Igniting Hope". You are encouraged to participate in the various events being planned by the TCDSB. For instance, Father Obinna Ifeanyi of our Catholic Teacher Centre will be celebrating a Mass dedicated to the TCDSB and to Catholic Education Week on **Wednesday, May 6, 2020**. The Mass will be broadcasted by the NCBC's Daily TV Mass from the TCDSB's Loretto Abbey Chapel. Salt and Light TV/Media will be airing the Mass on television and the Salt and Light website at 6:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. EST. You can also view the Mass any time on the Daily TV Mass YouTube channel. **Please tune in on Wednesday, May 6th and celebrate with our TCDSB Community, Igniting Hope in Catholic Education.**

Inform Us of Any Changes to Home Addresses, Phone Numbers, and Email Addresses

Just a reminder that if you have recently moved homes, or if you have a revised phone number or a new email address, to please inform the school, as soon as possible. You can leave a message on the school phone (416-393-5295), as our school secretary is picking up messages remotely, or you can email the revision to the school principal at: monica.rohel@tcdsb.org

Are you Moving?

Families who will not be enrolled at St. Andrew School in September 2020, are asked to let the school know of their intention, as soon as possible, by phoning the school number and leaving a message or emailing the principal. This would help in the planning of next year's classes. Your help, in this regard, is appreciated.

Ms. M. Rohel: Principal
Ms. B. Muron: Vice-Principal

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ENROLLMENT HOURS OF OPERATION LUNCH HOUR



NEW REGISTRANTS WELCOME

Apply online: soar.tcdsb.org
Call 416-393-5295 or the TCDSB
Admissions Department at 416-222-8282, ext. 5320.

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

Stay in touch with the latest news throughout the school year: Follow @TCDSB on Twitter or Toronto Catholic DSB on Instagram

Important Information for Parents

COVID-19

Stay up to date with all the latest news and information:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORSTUDENTS/HealthandSafety/Pages/CoronavirusInfo.aspx>

[Frequently asked questions](#) regarding school closures.

Curriculum-linked resources for each grade are available on the TCDSB Learning Resources page

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORSTUDENTS/LearningatHome/Pages/Default.aspx>.

International Languages Elementary (ILE) After-Hours Program

Register online for the fall program

SHARE YOUR VOICE. GROW TOGETHER.

Beginning May 19th, parents must register online at www.tcdsb.org/intlang to secure a place for their child.

Event Cancellations

A number of planned events such as the TCDSB Swim Invitational have been cancelled, or will be taking place in some sort of virtual manner. Visit our website for details:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/News/othernews/2020/Pages/EventsCancelled.aspx>

Playground Reserve Application: Deadline Extended to May 22, 2020

The Playground Reserve is an internal reserve fund made available to schools in each Ward when there is an in-year operating budget surplus for ground improvements. The Playground Reserve will allocate \$100,000.00 of funding per ward. For 2020 only, an additional \$300,000.00 from the Student Equity Reserve will be distributed based on Ward socio-economic data.

[Click here for more information](#)

Opportunities and Information for Students

Student Mental Health & Well-Being: April Newsletter

This special COVID-19 edition from the Mental Health Department has resources and information for Students, Parents, and Teachers - including tips on ways to connect & calm the body & mind.

[Click here to access the April Student Mental Health & Well-Being Newsletter.](#)

Nurturing our Catholic Community

The Virtue of the Month for May – Compassion

<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/NurturingOurCatholicCommunity/VirtueoftheMonth/Pages/Default.aspx>

Catholic Education Week 2020

Igniting Hope/Allumer la flamme de l'espérance

May 4-8, 2020

<https://www.tcdsb.org/catholiceducationweek>

May 6—Mass for Catholic Education Week

<https://www.tcdsb.org/board/nurturingourcatholiccommunity/catholiceducationweek/pages/catholiceducationweekmass.aspx>

TCDSB Celebrates Respect for Life Week

May 16-20, 2020

As a Catholic community, every week is Respect for Life Week as we work together to nurture and empower our students and one another to stand up for those who are most vulnerable: the unborn, the elderly, the sick, those with mental health issues, those who suffer poverty, injustice, violence, abuse and who are marginalized in other ways. All life is sacred, and we are called to serve and to love one another. <https://www.tcdsb.org/RespectForLifeWeek>

General News and Information

- **ANGEL FOUNDATION FOR LEARNING RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

More than 30 per cent of Toronto families live on less than \$20,000 a year. Many of these are those earning minimum hourly-wage or in precarious jobs that have lost employment over the past weeks due to COVID-19 emergency measures and closures. Together, the TCDSB community can help families who are struggling to access basic needs such as food, shelter and other life necessities.

[Click here to learn how AFL is reaching out to families and donate if you can.](#)

May Events and Observances

- **MAY IS ASIAN CANADIAN HERITAGE MONTH**

This month acknowledges the long and rich history of Asian Canadians and their contributions to Canada. It also provides an opportunity for Canadians across the country to reflect on and celebrate the contributions of Asian Canadians to the growth and prosperity of Canada. <https://www.tcdsb.org/AsianCanadianHeritage>

- **May is Speech, Language and Hearing Month**

<https://www.tcdsb.org/SpeechLanguageHearingMnth>

- **May is Polish Canadian Heritage Month**

On April 2, 2020, the TCDSB Board of Trustees officially proclaimed May 3rd as Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month. The TCDSB is proud to recognize the substantial historic contributions made by the Polish community to the academic, social, cultural, and economic fabric of our Board. For Polish Heritage resources visit <https://www.tcdsb.org/FORCOMMUNITY/HeritageCelebration/polish-canadian-heritage/Pages/Default.aspx>

- **MAY 1 WORLD PRINCIPALS' DAY**

- **May 3: World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/vocations/documents/papa-francesco_20200308_57-messaggio-giornata-mondiale-vocazioni.html

- **May 4 – 10: CMHA Mental Health Week** <https://mentalhealthweek.ca>

- **May 10: Mother's Day**

- **May 15: UN International Day of Families** <https://www.un.org/en/events/familyday/>

- **May 18 Victoria Day**

- **May 24: TCDSB Brain Cancer Awareness Grey Day**

<https://www.tcdsb.org/News/othernews/2019/Pages/GreyDay.aspx>

May Meetings

Due to the closure, board meetings will be held remotely with access to see the meeting through the normal live webcast on the Board website.

- Regular Board Meeting - **May 7**
- CPIC- **May 11**
- SEAC - **May 20**
- Regular Board Meeting - **May 21**
- Regular Board Meeting - **May 28**

BUDGET CONSULTATION

All Are Invited to Participate

Your input is critical to our Board's continued commitment to student achievement, well-being and fiscal accountability. Information about the budget and the consultation can be found online: www.tcdsb.org/BudgetConsult

All are encouraged to complete an anonymous online survey **by May 7, 2020.**

BUDGET SURVEY:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6LQ3L9P>

Curriculum Corner

- Toronto Public Library offers **Dial-a-Story**. No library card needed! Just call: 416-395-5400 and your child/children can listen to a story in English, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Tagalog, Urdu, and many other languages.
- No Toronto Public Library card? No problem. You can still access the Toronto Public Library's largest collection of ebooks and audiobooks. Learn about the new Instant Digital Card, by clicking the following link:
<http://tpl.ca/digitalcard>

Happy Belated Birthday to the Following April Birthday Stars!

April 2 Maryam B., Maryam K., Cristiano T.
April 3 Andrena K.
April 5 Johnathan Y.
April 6 Miry Y.
April 7 Caiden C.E., Jessica H., Sarah S.
April 8 Mayar A., Joseph S.
April 9 Oriano N., Lukas S.
April 11 Kassey P., Ragheed P.
April 12 Aonel K.
April 13 Sansha J.
April 14 Anguelina Z.
April 15 Barbara I., Praise I.
April 17 Merna D., Omari S.
April 19 Aawas N.
April 21 Sheeza J., Romario M., George M.
April 22 Rita A., George J., Yokhana M., Martina S.
April 23 Taleen B., Mason P.
April 24 Alvin B., Georgs D.
April 25 Dominic S.
April 26 Mena G., Yasos I., Aneta M., Sarah M., Marden S.
April 27 Chimnonso A., John M.
April 28 Ankeen B., Nalani D.F., Angelina S.
April 29 Dominic D.
April 30 Roubina A., Trinit J., Rita M., Aryan S.

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