



# St. Dominic Savio Catholic School December 2014 Newsletter



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School Hours:  
8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Lunch: 11:15a.m.—12:15 p.m.



Dear Parents / Guardians,

The virtue for the Month of December is CHARITY. We are delighted to inform you that the “Night the Light” walk (held in October to raise funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada) raised \$547.90. Many thanks to all who contributed to this worthy cause.

On Tuesday, November 11th, Ms. Kuenzle and the Grade 8 class performed a moving ceremony for Remembrance Day. Teachers and students participated in the Canadian Legion Poppy campaign and student council collected money for the families of the two Canadian soldiers who died this year. Our Me to We committee and our Student Council are planning a clothing drive, bake sale and a candy gram sale. We thank you in advance for your charity.

We remind everyone that safety in our drop off zone is a collective responsibility. As mentioned in last month’s newsletter, we will be placing pylons at the North entrance. The pylons will be placed starting Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. The intent is to reduce the congestion at the North entrance, which is caused by parked vehicles. We thank everyone for being considerate and patient at drop off and pick up times.

The season of Advent begins on Sunday, November 30th. Advent is the season in which we prepare for the coming of the Baby Jesus, at Christmas. Advent is a period of simple living and extra prayer. The first Sunday of Advent marks the start of the Liturgical Year. We will celebrate Advent in many ways at St. Dominic Savio. We hope to see you at our Advent Mass and our Primary Christmas Concert. Please see the calendar for dates and times of all activities planned.

Finally, the Advent season is a time of family get-togethers, friends and merriment. It also a time of great anticipation and hope. On behalf of the St. Dominic Savio School staff, let me take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas full of Peace and Love and the best of Health, Happiness and Success in 2015.

Sincerest Regards,

F. Clotildes

**Principal**

## UPCOMING DATES

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| January 5, 2015  | Classes resume   |
| January 6, 2015  | Safety Talks (Police Liaison Officer)  |
| January 8, 2015  | Kindergarten Registration Begins   |
| January 14, 2015 | Kindergarten evening registration 5:00pm—8:00pm<br>CSAC Meeting at 6:00pm in the Library |
| January 23, 2015 | PA Day: Assessment Planning  |

*“But the Angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.*

*To you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord.” This will be a sign for you: You will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” Luke 2:10-12*



Nurturing our Catholic Community through FAITH, HOPE and CHARITY.

The virtue of the Month for December is **Charity**.

During the month of December we will be focusing on the virtue of **Charity** at St. Dominic Savio Catholic School. The scripture passage that guides us this month is "Where charity and love are, God is there".

As we enter the season of Advent to prepare our hearts for the birth of Jesus, it is rather suitable that this month's virtue is CHARITY. Many of us are already engaging in the mad rush to purchase gifts to put under the tree, but let us be mindful of the fact that charity is not always about giving material things. As St. Thomas Aquinas described it "Charity is friendship first with God and secondly with all who belong to God." (2a2ae, 24,4).

Let us practice charity and generosity in our community.

Loving God,  
May we be people of CHARITY,  
always willing to give of  
ourselves to better the lives of  
others. Together, may we be a  
community of faith, anchored in  
hope, with heart and charity.  
Amen

### Boys' Volleyball

On November 10th, the boys' volleyball team participated in the divisional tournament and came in 3rd place at St. Brendans Catholic School. Many thanks to Mr. Wright and Mr. Andrews for coaching the boys. Team members are: *Jozen Adato, Javier Blanco Gomez, Isaiah Bynoe, Jamaree Franklyn Mejia, Piolo Gabito, Mateo Lalog, Trequan Lodge, Josiah Poole, Cameron Radam-Verzola, Stefan Regault, Jaden Roberts and Ethan Thomas.*

### TREE BEE

On Saturday, November 15th, The Tree Bee team participated in a competition at the Royal Ontario Museum. They did a fabulous job representing St. Dominic Savio and are our future ecologists! The competition was tough and we want to thank all mem-

### STUDENT COUNCIL

For December, student council will be collecting basic winter outdoor gear such as mitts, hats, socks and scarves that will go towards ShareLife to help the less fortunate in our community. The clothing drive collection will begin on December 1<sup>st</sup> and continue throughout the month.

### Girls' Volleyball

On November 12th, the girls' volleyball team played with great enthusiasm during their tournament here at St. Dominic Savio. Many thanks to Ms. Leblanc and Ms. Choe for coaching the girls. Team members are: *Elisha Alon, Madison Hardie, Emily Kim, Destiny Mushikori, Cheyanne Ramsay, Ashleigh Richards-Barnes, Chereen Robinson, Elona Santillan, Danielle Smith, Rossalex Suarez Oria, Daphne Tahamid, Shania Tahamid and Ashlee Thomas.*

bers: Rosemund Vargas, Malia Rosales-Grant, Malia Sankwalker Stella Wu, Emily Kim, Elisha Alon Ryan Sankwalker and Nathan Santillan. A special shout out goes to Rosemund, Malia and Malia who received honourable mention for their highest team score.

### ME TO WE

Hey, Savio! It is Team Give Back, (Savio's Me to We ambassadors), informing you of our upcoming events for December. We will be hosting a Christmas themed bake sale on December 16<sup>th</sup> and a Christmas candy gram sale from December 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

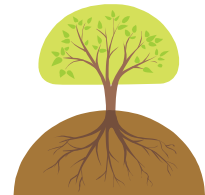
### PRIMARY SKATING

Students from Grade 1—3 will go skating every Friday From January 9th to February 6th (4 sessions) starting at 12:30pm. Students are required to wear a helmet on the ice. Check out the website or call for family skate times—416-306-4035. The arena is located at 292 Manse road. Skating is a wonderful winter family activity that everyone can enjoy.

Take the opportunity to make sure your child's skates are sharpened and that their helmet still fits.

The school will accept skates or helmets if you have any that you would like to donate.

The team coach, Mrs. Wright is very proud of all team members!



On behalf of student council and Team Give Back, we will you all a very Merry Christmas and we thank you for your continued support.



### Winter Bus Transportation

Cancellation of school bus transportation or school closures due to inclement weather will be reported through the following vehicles:

1. News releases to all media outlets in Toronto (although the news release is provided to the media outlets, there is no guarantee that all television and radio stations will broadcast the information in a timely fashion.
2. Information will be shared electronically with E-New subscribers

3. Twitter will also be used to provide updates throughout the day. Follow TCDSB on twitter.

4. Updates will also be posted on the Board's 24-hour information line, 416-222-8282, extension 2873.

The information will also be posted on the Board's website at [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org) or [www.tcdsb.org/weather.htm](http://www.tcdsb.org/weather.htm)



### CSAC NEWS

On December 4th, we will host a Movie night for students from JK—Grade 3 in the school gym. On Friday, December 12th staff and students will enjoy an Italian Feast of Pasta & Salad, rolls and desert for only \$5.00/person.

**Please call Mrs. Desroches (647-220-9303), CSAC Chairperson if you are available to help set up, serve or clean up for this holiday event!**

There will not be any pizza days during the month of December. We have had some positive feedback from the parent community as we changed to placing pizza orders on a monthly basis. We will resume the bi-monthly pizza days in January.



### JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration begins January 8, 2015. If your child was born in 2011, then he/she is eligible for our all day kindergarten program.

For your convenience you may access the student appli-

cation form on-line, using the URL address [soar.tcdsb.org](http://soar.tcdsb.org) and following the instructions to register your child. You will be given the opportunity to create an online appointment with the school where you will bring the following original documents for the secretary to photocopy, and complete any other forms required for registrations. Required documents are: Birth certifi-

### WINTER RECESS PROCEDURES

All students are expected to be outdoors for recess. A child who is too sick to go out at recess is too sick to benefit from attending school. We do not have indoor supervision for students at recess time.

On very cold days we will limit outdoor activity (any temperature with the wind chill around -20 degrees Celsius is the general guideline).

Please insure that your children are dressed appropriately for the cold and wet conditions. Boots are for outdoor use. A pair of indoor shoes must be worn inside the school at all times. (If students need to evacuate the school, they will have to exit as they are, and will not have time to put on shoes).

cate, Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate, Immunization Records and Proof of Address. Students born outside of Canada must show the permanent resident card, or immigration papers.

The school will host 1 registration evening session on :

**Wednesday, January 14th, 2015  
5:00pm—8:00pm**

## Policy Consultation

The Board invites parents, students and staff to participate in a review of draft policies. Your input is encouraged into the following policies:

- Draft Policy for Catholic School Advisory Councils (CSACs)
- Draft Policy on Secondary School Admission and Placement

Details are posted on the board's website: <http://www.tcdsb.org/news/othernews/2014/pages/consultation-csac-and-admissions-policies.aspx>

## Catholic School Advisory Councils

### Invited to Training Session

Goal Setting, Multi-Year Plans, Making Meetings Matter

**December 3, 2014, 7-9 p.m.**

Catholic Education Centre, 80 Sheppard Avenue East

### Other Dates to Note

**December 3<sup>rd</sup>**—International Day of Persons with Disabilities <http://www.tcdsb.org/News/othernews/2014/Pages/International-Day-of-Persons-with-Disabilities.aspx>

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The virtue for the month of November was Peacemaking. The following students were awarded a virtue certificate.

#### Ms. Lui—ELP

*Kaitlin Soares*

*Jouice Daoud*

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