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Pastor: Fr. Brando
Hours of Operation:
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**



St. Gabriel Catholic School

September 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians:

September Virtue: Hospitality

Welcome back to another new and hopefully fun-filled school year! I would like to extend a special welcome to all new families that have joined the St. Gabriel school community this year. As always our first priority is to create a safe, welcoming environment where students feel nurtured in their learning journey. A place where it is ok to ask questions freely, make mistakes without fault or judgment - a place where students look forward to coming to everyday!

On that note, this year we celebrate the Year of the School, the culmination of the TCDSB's three-year pastoral plan focusing on Family, Parish and School--Together With One Voice. In the Year of the School, we look forward to focusing on our schools as communities of understanding and wisdom where development of faith continues to grow, where the good of others is fundamental to our teachings, and where our dedicated staff and volunteers contribute to the success of our students.

Parent involvement is a very important component for student success, therefore, we invite all parents to participate in CSPC (Catholic School Parent Council) elections held on Thursday, September 28th at 7pm in the computer lab just outside the Main Office. If you are interested, nomination forms are in the Main Office, please see Ms. Monaco.

Hospitality is the virtue of the month and I leave you with this quote: "Whatsoever you do, to the least of my people that you do unto me." Matthew 25:40
Looking forward to another great school year.

Yours in servant leadership,
Cathy Crispo

We're Going Back To School



ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL STAFF LIST 2017-2018

Cathy Crispo	Principal
Patricia Monaco	Secretary
Rachel Paolella (LTO)	ELP
Sharon Pacheco	ECE (Paolella)
Jessica DeGouveia (supply)	ELP
Roselle Joven (supply)	ECE (DeGouveia)
Angela Vaz	Gr. 1
Cathy Ryu	Gr. 1/2
Michele Noonan	Gr. 2/3
Angela Capozzoli	Gr. 3
Stephanie Ruggiero (LTO)	Gr. 3/4
Annette Shortt	Gr. 4/5
Julie Gauthier	Gr. 5/6
Sarah Porter	Gr. 6/7
Brian Rodrigues (LTO)	Gr. 7/8
Christine Jvezian	Gr. 8
Stephanie Kwong	Library Tech (M/Tu)
Aurora Galluzzo	Spec. Ed.
Oksana Makhnitska	M.E.
Wendy Baker	Phys. Ed. (T/W)
Jason Halili	Phys. Ed. (M)
Isabella Lence	ESL
Elena DiSimino	Core French
	Core French (M-F pm)
Shirley Mardigian	Education Assistant
Ita DiGiulio	Education Assistant
Julie Moon	Education Assistant
Christella Sutherland	Vocal Music (Th/Fri am)
Michele Stocker	Inst. Music (Tu/Fri pm)
Liliana Compagnone	Guidance (Tues a.m.)
Steve Coulter	Head Caretaker
Manny Florio	Night Caretaker
Rosa Salvatore and Rachel Monteiro	Lunchtime Supervisor

REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

Registration for children who wish to receive the Sacraments of First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation will be held at St. Gabriel's Church on the following times:

Wednesday, September 20th, 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Thursday, September 28th, 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Saturday, September 30th 1.30 PM to 3.30 PM

Please Note:

A copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate is required if registering for First Communion or Confirmation.

\$30 is required at registration for Confirmation to defray related costs.

Please call the Parish Office 416-221-8866 or visit the Parish website www.stgabrielspanish.ca should you need more information.

Thank you.



NEEDED!!

**St. Gabriel is looking for a new Nutrition Program Coordinator.
If you are interested, please contact Ms. Crispo at 416-393-5256.**

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL HOURS 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR



Start of School Day:	9:00 a.m.
Morning Recess:	10:42 a.m. to 10:57 a.m.
Lunch Hour:	11:45 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Afternoon Recess:	2:10 p.m. to 2:25 p.m.
Dismissal:	3:30 p.m.

SAFE SCHOOL ARRIVAL PROGRAM

Please leave a message by calling the school at **416-393-5256** when your child will be absent or late. Please make sure that all students who arrive late check in at the front office.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Please ensure that all information regarding your child is up-to-date. We need to have the correct home telephone numbers, work numbers, home address and emergency contact. If these numbers change please let the school know promptly, IN WRITING.

LUNCH ROUTINES

Students who remain at school for lunch may NOT LEAVE THE SCHOOL GROUNDS anytime during the lunch hour without written parent permission. For safety reasons, we highly discourage parents/guardians from allowing their children to leave the school property unsupervised for lunch.

FAITH PLANNERS/STUDENT AGENDAS

We will continue to use student agendas. The cost for each Agenda is \$8.00

We highly recommend the use of the Agenda as a communication tool between school and home. Please take some time to review the content in the opening pages.

They include policies, procedures and St. Gabriel's Code of Conduct information, as well as the school's Progressive Discipline Plan.

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

A reminder that all visitors **must report to the front office**. If you need to speak with your child's teacher, kindly call and make an appointment. Your child's teacher will be happy to meet with you at a mutually convenient time.

APPROPRIATE DRESS CODE POLICY

All students are expected to come to school daily appropriately dressed and in a manner that reflects the aims and atmosphere of a Catholic school. St. Gabriel has adopted the TCDSB NAVY BLUE AND WHITE DRESS CODE, which consists of the following: a solid navy blue bottom (pant, kilt, skirt, or shorts); a plain white or navy blue shirt or top; and a white or navy blue sweater or pullover. Some examples of items not allowed are: spaghetti strap or tank tops, jeans/denim material, black pants, pants with stripes in any colour, tee shirts with logos or slogans on them, and short-shorts.

DROPPING OFF & PICKING UP STUDENTS

For the sake of safety, we ask that in the mornings you drop off your children in the appropriate sections of the school yard and leave them with our staff. **Please make sure that your child is dropped off no earlier than 8:40 a.m. as supervision in our school yard begins at 8:40 a.m.** This will help the students develop routines and it will also help our staff ensure a safe school yard.

If you are picking up your child early from school please come to the office and sign out the student. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

CURRICULUM NIGHT

Curriculum Night is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 4th, 2017** at 7:00 p.m. Details will follow.

SCHOOL BUS INFORMATION

The Toronto Student Transportation Group has launched the new transportation portal available at www.torontoschoolbus.org

The portal allows you to look up your child's bus information and subscribe to the late bus notification system so that emails are delivered directly to your inbox when the bus companies report late busses.

If you have any questions, please contact the transportation department at 416-394-4287 or at transportation@torontoschoolbus.org

**TORONTO CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
TRUSTEES 2017-2018**

Wards

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| 1. Joseph Martino | 416-512-3401 |
| 2. Ann Andrachuk | 416-512-3402 |
| 3. Sal Piccininni | 416-512-3403 |
| 4. Patrizia Bottoni | 416-512-3404 |
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Vice-Chair | 416-512-3406 |
| 7. Michael Del Grande | 416-512-3407 |
| 8. Garry Tanuan | 416-512-3408 |
| 9. Jo-Ann Davis | 416-512-3409 |
| 10. Barbara Poplawski | 416-512-3410 |
| 11. Angela Kennedy, Chair | 416-512-3411 |
| 12. Nancy Crawford | 416-512-3412 |
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Student Trustees | 416-512-3413 |
| Joel Ndongmi,
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ANAPHYLAXIS ALERT

We would like to inform you that we are an **allergen aware school**. There are students in attendance who suffer from severe and life threatening allergies to certain foods such as **peanuts, nut products, sesame seeds, eggs, seafood and shell fish**. **Anaphylaxis is a severe and life threatening allergic reaction.**

We are asking that you do not send any lunches or snacks that may contain peanuts, nuts, eggs, seafood, shell fish and sesame seeds. As well, please check prepared foods for traces of peanut oil or nut products. These items could potentially harm a child. **We would also ask that you please do not send food for birthdays or special occasions.** There are many alternatives such as stickers and pencils. Please remind your children not to share food in the classroom.

We thank all of you for being diligent in following this request. We must maintain as safe an environment as we possibly can for our students. Since all our students share the school building space in their daily activities, we need to take precautions to minimize any cross contamination issues.

Terry Fox Run at St. Gabriel

Friday, October 13th starting at 9:30am

Oh Canada! In this special anniversary year, let's show our Canadian pride for one of our greatest heroes - Terry Fox.

Online Fundraising Access

Your school is already set up on our website to receive online donations.

Your school fundraising page url

link: <http://www.terryfox.ca/StGabrielCatholicSchoolToronto>

Be Like Terry!

