



ST. JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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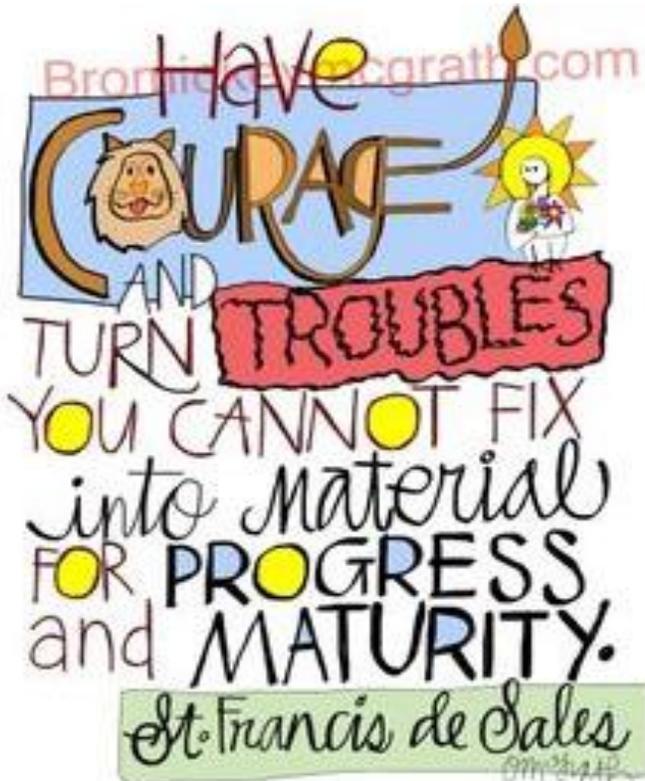
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CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time; Enjoying one moment at a time; Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will; That I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him Forever in the next.

Amen. -- Reinhold Niebuhr



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ENROLLMENT HOURS OF OPERATION LUNCH HOUR



NEW REGISTRANTS WELCOME

Apply online: soar.tcdsb.org

Call 416-393-5275 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

ROSES ARE RED... VIOLETS ARE BLUE... WE LOVE ST. JAMES AND SO SHOULD YOU!

Our first dance this year was our Halloween dance which occurred on October 31st 2018. This dance was organized and lead by our own intermediate students with the help of some teachers and parents. During this dance-a-thon we raised over \$800 by selling delicious goodies, refreshments and bracelets. The bracelets had positive messages of inspiration to support our anti bullying campaign. Many families also sent in pledges.

Thank you to the St. James community for helping us raise these funds which will be going towards our grade 8 graduation.



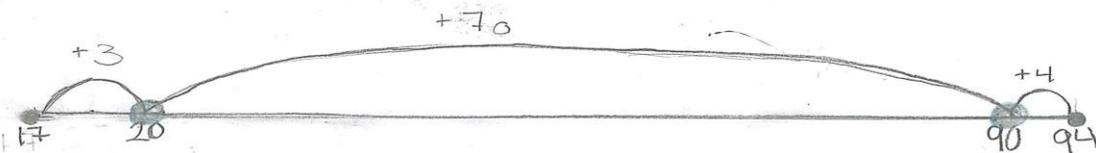
PHOTOGRAPH: G.J. (GR.8)
ARTICLE: D.J. (GR. 8)

MATH CLASSROOM CONNECTIONS

NUMBER LINE STEPS

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 17 AND 94

- We got the ruler to do the number line on a magnetic board
- Then we added 3 from 17 so we could get 20 and make it easier. (we placed a magnet on 20)
- After that we added 70 so that would make 90. (we placed a magnet on 90)
- Then - we added a 4 and that made our answer 94.
- After we just added $(3+70+4)$ and the difference was 77.
- And we wrote the title "Number Line" for last.



Ms. Mazza's grade 4/5 students are working with an "Open Number Line" to solve mathematical problems.
Thank you Kaitlyn and Diego for outlining the steps

Guidance Corner

I hope you and your families have had a peaceful Christmas season! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Marianne Corigliano and I am the Guidance Counsellor for your school. I will be making bi-weekly visits to the schools and working with students both as a group and individually.

The virtue of Courage is a focus for this month, and students are encouraged to step outside of their comfort zones to try something new or to develop their physical and moral courage. I have included a couple of articles here for your information: <https://centerforparentingeducation.org/library-of-articles/self-esteem/kids-and-courage/> <https://www.heysigmund.com/building-courage-in-kids/>

January is also a good time for students to reflect on goal-setting; looking at what they have already done well, and planning for what they would still like to accomplish by the end of the school year. In anticipation of the Term 1 report card, a focus on the Learning Skills continues to be encouraged for students of all grades. The online platform <https://myblueprint.ca>, has excellent resources for students to create and reflect on goals for both academic and personal purposes. <https://myblueprint.ca/support/resources/education-planner/LSeAJ1TjmEG6yMQkMqY2m/>

I have included a couple of resources here that can help students with the development of self-regulation skills: <http://www.gonoodle.com>, <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/selfRegulate.html>

The Program and Course calendar for the upcoming academic year will be made available on the Board website by the end of January. A link to the current edition can be found here: <https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SchoolProgramsK12/GuidanceCoopEd/Documents/TCDSB-CourseCalendar-2018-19.pdf> Grade 8 students will be receiving their High school acceptance letters early next month.

This time of year can lead to feelings of stress for many of our students. The Psychology Foundation of Canada has a number of excellent resources for teachers, parents and students of all grades, to develop skills that can help manage stress and difficult feelings. In-class resources such as "Kids Have Stress Too"(Primary grades), "Stress Lessons" (Junior grades), and "From Stressed Out to Chilled Out"(Intermediate grades) are useful in helping students learn valuable coping strategies. Developing healthy strategies for how to handle stress and anxiety at an early age, is an important life skill and allows students to become more resilient. More information on how parents can help their child manage stress and other issues can be found at: https://psychologyfoundation.org/Public/Resources/Every_Mind_Matters_Handouts_for_Parents/Public/Resources/EMM_Handouts_for_Parents/Every_Mind_Matters_Handouts.aspx?hkey=8388fe2e-d8e6-4acb-80ed-8d87aebae698

St. James Important Upcoming Dates

January 21 – 25, 2019: Spirit Week

Monday, January 21, 2019 - Favourite Sport Team Jersey

Tuesday, January 22, 2019 - Crazy Hair Day

Wednesday, January 23, 2019 - Backwards/Inside Out Day

M. Mazza and P. De Buono: Dancing Classrooms – a.m.

Thursday, January 24, 2019 - Pyjama Day

Friday, January 25, 2019 - Class Theme Day – (Pick your own)

CSPC – Chicken Finger Lunch

Monday, January 28, 2019

M. Mazza and P. De Buono: Dancing Classrooms – a.m.

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

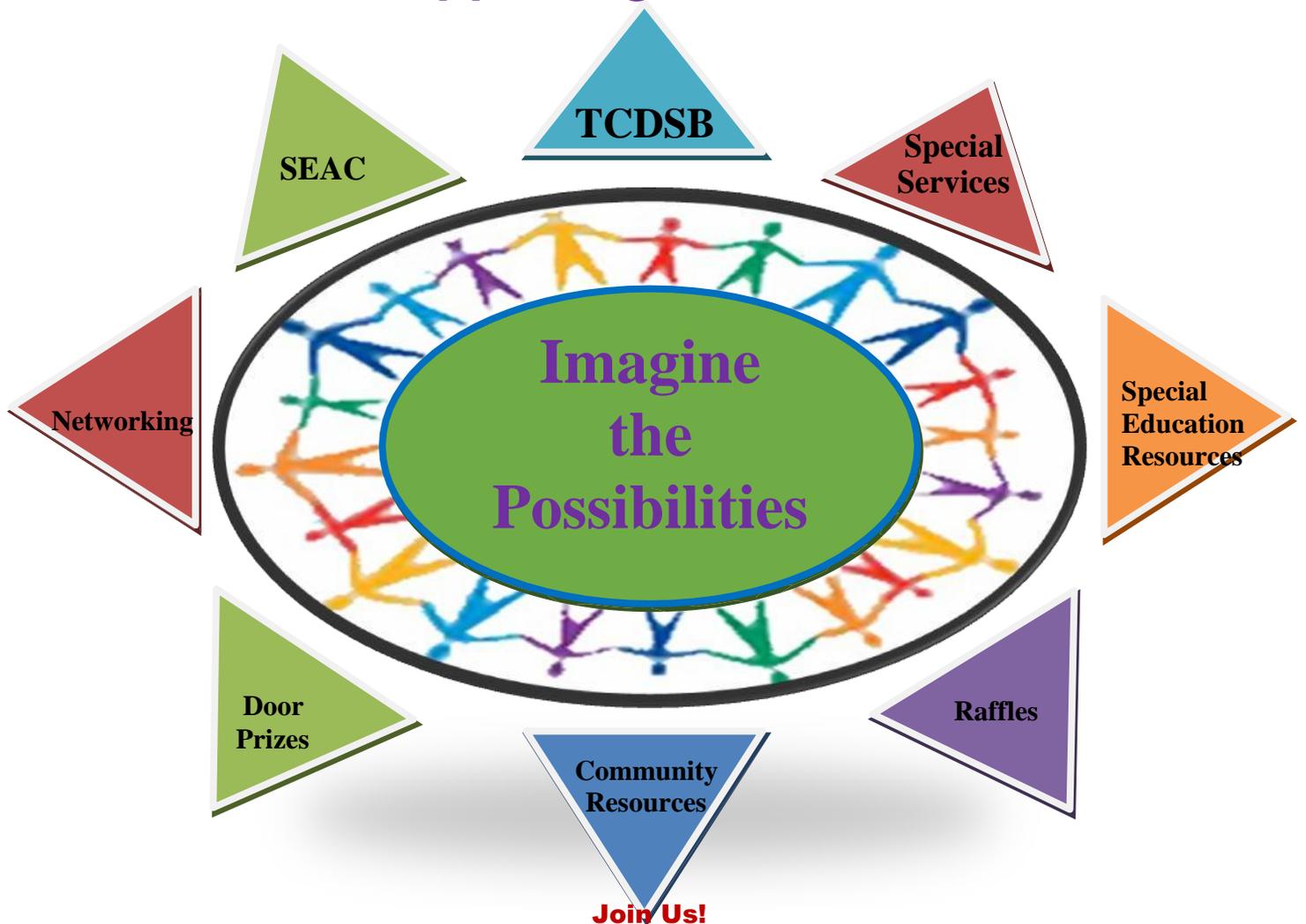
M. Mazza and C. Costanzo: Grade 4 OLSAT 8 Testing

Bell Let's Talk Day – full school participation

Thursday, January 31, 2019

Rosary Apostolate

Supporting all Students...



TCDSB Special Education and Community Resources Fair 2019

PARENTS, EDUCATORS, AND COMMUNITY AGENCIES ARE WELCOME

Hosted by the

Toronto Catholic District School Board
Special Services Departments and Special Education Advisory Committee

**Supervised Child
Friendly Space
Provided**

**February 2,
2019**

**9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Catholic Education Centre
80 Sheppard Ave. East
Free underground parking
Elevator and accessible parking
located on Level P1**

Join us for this special day in support
of you and your child ** *Interpreter services are available upon request to Officer of Special Services,
Kim Paganelli: kim.paganelli@tcdsb.org by no later than Wed Jan 23, 2019.* **

A fun winter's recipe to make with your children

Minestrone Soup



Ingredients

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 large onion, diced
4 cloves garlic, minced
2 stalks celery, diced
1 large carrot, diced
1/3 pound green beans, trimmed and cut into 1/2-inch pieces (about 1 1/2 cups)
1 teaspoon dried oregano
1 teaspoon dried basil
Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
1 28-ounce can no-salt-added diced tomatoes
1 14-ounce can crushed tomatoes
6 cups low-sodium chicken broth
1 15-ounce can low-sodium kidney beans, drained and rinsed
1 cup elbow pasta
1/3 cup finely grated parmesan cheese
2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil

Directions

1. Heat the olive oil in a large pot over medium-high heat. Add the onion and cook until translucent, about 4 minutes. Add the garlic and cook 30 seconds. Add the celery and carrot and cook until they begin to soften, about 5 minutes. Stir in the green beans, dried oregano and basil, 3/4 teaspoon salt, and pepper to taste; cook 3 more minutes.
2. Add the diced and crushed tomatoes and the chicken broth to the pot and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium low and simmer 10 minutes. Stir in the kidney beans and pasta and cook until the pasta and vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Season with salt. Ladle into bowls and top with the parmesan and chopped basil.



Monthly Update from the Board January 2019

Kindergarten Registration 2019



Imagine the Possibilities

Kindergarten Registration in Toronto Catholic Schools begins January 16, 2019

Junior Kindergarten in the Toronto Catholic District School Board provides children with a variety of learning experiences in a caring, faith-based environment. TCDSB looks forward to welcoming new students for September 2019. Children born in 2015 are eligible for kindergarten. Registration for kindergarten begins **Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 10 a.m. EST.**

Registration options:

Online: Parents can complete their application online beginning at 10 a.m. EST on January 16, 2019, at SOAR.tcdsb.org, and follow up with a visit to the school to present the required documents. The online application is available 24 hours.

Registration documents:

- Child's Birth Certificate or Passport/Immigration documents if child was not born in Canada
- Child's Catholic baptismal certificate (or proof of Catholicity of parent)
- Proof of residency in Toronto (some examples: a lease agreement, utility bill)

Information is available by telephone at 416-222-8282 ext. 5320, or by visiting www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration

Learn More About French Immersion and Extended French

Information nights are underway. Check here for dates, times and locations

<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SchoolProgramsK12/FrenchImmersion/Pages/default.aspx>

Special Education and Community Resources Fair: February 2, 2019

Please join the Special Services Department on **Saturday, February 2, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** at the Catholic Education Centre Atrium (2nd floor, 80 Sheppard Avenue East, North York) for the annual Special Education and Community Resources Fair. The day provides families with an opportunity to engage with Board staff and community organizations and learn more about the services available to them. [Click here for more information about the Fair.](#)

Scholarship Opportunities for Portuguese Canadian Students

The Federation of Portuguese-Canadian Business & Professionals will be awarding deserving candidates a scholarship in amounts between \$1,500 and \$2,500 to study abroad at the NOVA School of Business and Economics, Carcavelos Campus - Lisbon and the University of the Azores, São Miguel or Terceira Campuses. **Registration deadline: January 18, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** Click here for more information:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORSTUDENTS/OpportunitiesForStudents/Pages/ScholarshipsPortugueseCanadianStudents.aspx>

CSPC Executive Workshop

Topic: The Role and Responsibility of the Treasurer & Fundraising in Schools

January 29th @ 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Teachers Centre, 3rd floor, CEC, 80 Sheppard Avenue East. Watch for more details in the new year.

Latest Updates on Weather Related Cancellations or Closures

To get the latest information about school bus transportation, see <https://busplannerweb.torontoschoolbus.org/Cancellations.aspx>

Parents are encouraged to subscribe to the transportation portal to get real time information about any transportation issues:
<https://busplannerweb.torontoschoolbus.org/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>

Cancellation of school bus transportation will also be reported via ENews (<https://web1.tcdsb.org/InterestSubscription/subscription.aspx>), Twitter @TCDSB, and the 24 hour telephone information line 416-222-8282, extension 2873, and posted to the Board's website at www.tcdsb.org

Other Dates to Note:

January 18-25, 2019—[Week of Prayer for Christian Unity](#)

January 18, 2019—PA Day for Elementary Schools

January 27, 2019—International Holocaust Remembrance Day

January 27—Family Literacy Day

January 30 2019—Bell Let's Talk Day

February 1, 2019 - Flip the Switch Friday: <https://www.tcdsb.org/board/environment/energymonth/Pages/default.aspx>

February 6, 2019—[Winter Walk Day](#)

February 8, 2019 - African Canadian Mass and Cultural Exposé, Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORCOMMUNITY/HeritageCelebration/AfricanCanadianHeritage/events/Pages/Default.aspx>



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