



# ST. JOACHIM CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The month of November is here! This means report cards and parent/teacher interviews are just around the corner. Report cards go home Tuesday, November 12. **This year, the days and times of Parent/Teacher Interviews have changed. Parent/Teacher interviews will be Tuesday, November 12 and Thursday, November 14 from 5:30-8pm. There are NO Friday morning interviews. Friday is a PA Day – no school for students.** The Parent/Teacher interview form will go home today and needs to be returned by November 6 so that teachers can schedule all appointments.

The CAT 4 results and our EQAO scores have been reported and our School Learning Improvement Plan has been developed. Our grade 3 students demonstrated increased achievement in reading and our grade 6 students increased their math marks by 10%. In our professional learning sessions, we started a program called Math Up. We will be learning different strategies that will support students in the area of additive reasoning. As well, we will continue to work on our solving multi-step word problems, using comprehension strategies and talk structures to support the understanding of the problem. Our School Learning Improvement Plan has been uploaded to our portal page.

Our Rosary Apostolates have begun their ministry in our school. The Apostolates come the fourth Tuesday of every month to pray the Rosary with our students. You are welcome to join in our prayers.

As always, we welcome all parents to our monthly CSPC meetings. Please read the section titled Catholic School Parent Council on the next page. Please join us at our family movie night on Friday, November 22. Please see the CSPC section for more details.

You are always welcome to contact me if you have any comments or concerns.

Yours in Catholic Education,  
*Nicole Peres*

The Virtue for November is Peace

*Peace I leave you, my peace I give to you*

John 14:27

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

November 2019

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OAPCE TORONTO (PROVINCIAL VOICE FOR PARENTS) ⓘ

300	9:00-3:30	11:45-12:45
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ENROLLMENT HOURS OF OPERATION LUNCH HOUR

## NEW REGISTRANTS WELCOME

Apply online: [soar.tcdsb.org](http://soar.tcdsb.org)

Call 416-393-5292 or the TCDSB Admissions Department at 416-222-8282, ext. 2383.

For general information about the Toronto Catholic District School Board, please visit the website at [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org)

Stay in touch with the latest news throughout the school year: Follow @TCDSB on Twitter.

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# CSPC

Please look out for our first CPSC Fundraiser – Cookie Dough by Macmillan. The product is tasty and easily sold to friends, family and co-workers. There is the traditional cookie dough as well as artisan soups and appetizers. The students will be bringing home the order catalogue and forms. Online ordering is available and easy. A percentage of all sales will come back to the school. The more our families sell, the more money the school receives which it can then use to buy technology or subsidize trips for the students.

We are also doing a battery collection. Bring your batteries in. The more we have, the more money we get!

The next CSPC meeting is on Wednesday November 6 in the Library. We will be finalizing the planning for our Family Movie Night on Friday, November 22. The movie is Angry Birds 2 which will be released in the next two weeks. Doors and concession stand will open at 6pm and the movie will start at 6:30pm. Order forms will also go out next week so you can pre-order your family tickets as seats are limited. Tickets are also on Cash Online. If you are able to donate any items to our concession sales such as water or candy bars, or if you are able to volunteer the evening of, please contact the school or email us at [St.joachimvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:St.joachimvolunteers@gmail.com)

Please join your parent council who work to support our students' achievement. Share your ideas and your time.

*The St. Joachim CSPC*

## SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

It is with continued pleasure that we keep introducing to you "School Cash Online". Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE for all school activities, including pizza day, spirit wear, and class trips. It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Start by clicking on the link below and then "Get Started Today" <https://tcdsb.schoolcashionline.com>

Please follow these step-by-step instructions, so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your children. In the event that assistance is required, select the SUPPORT option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

## Housekeeping

**Please make sure to give us your preferred email address as we will be communicating with you via email,** including the monthly newsletters and calendars, and all important information from the school. We also need an update phone number so that the system can call you when your child is absent. You all should be signed up on School Messenger and on the Transportation Portal.

If you are bringing lunch for your child, please bring it by 11:40. Students eat their lunch from 11:45-12:05 then they go outside to play. Students are unable to eat late deliveries until recess time so please bring the lunches in a timely manner. See the school schedule below.

### Bell Times

9:00	Arrival (there is supervision from 8:40 to 9:00 in the backyard)
10:42-10:57	Recess
11:45-12:45	Lunch (students eat their lunch from 11:45-12:05 inside, then go out to play from 12:05-12:45)
2:10-2:25	Recess
3:30	Dismissal

*\*Please note that your child should not be in the school yard before 8:40am as there is no supervision.*

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## Student Nutrition/Snack Program

Parents your children continue to receive fresh, healthy snacks every day that Miss Rosemarie prepares for us. We will send home a paper copy for November's donation. Thank you to all who have donated. Please continue to donate or begin donating if you haven't already. We truly need and appreciate your generous support for this healthy program. Best of all, you can now donate online using Cash Online. Choose "Nutrition" and donate online with tax receipts available. If you have not yet registered on Cash Online, please read the section above which explains how to register.

## Allergy Alert

Please note that we have a number of students who have dangerous, life-threatening allergies to certain foods. For that reason, we expect that students will not bring any food items that contain peanuts or nuts. If a caregiver prepares your child's lunch and snacks, please remind them about this policy.

This policy extends to bringing food items for the whole class for birthdays and holidays. If you would like to purchase a small token for the children, cute erasers, pencils or anything that is not edible would be acceptable.

## Sports

Congratulations go out to our Cross Country runners! They trained every day for 6 weeks and the training paid off! This year we had 11 students qualify for the City Finals! Wow! Congratulations to Joshua, Miya, Dionte, and Andrew in grade 3. Isabella in grade 4, Elijah in grade 6, Amaya and Lyla in grade 7, and Austin, Emmanuel, and Riley in Gr 8. All eleven students ran their fastest and all beat their personal best. Our grade 8 boys' team came in third in the whole city. What a successful cross country season. Congratulations to all students who ran in the Divisional, Regional and City meets!

The Intermediate Boys' Volleyball team played in the Catholic Cup last weekend. They won their pool then went on to the next level of competition practising all their skills and getting ready for their Divisional tournament. The Divisional tournaments are next week: Boys on Nov 12 and Girls on Nov 14.

Thank you to the coaches who give up their time, sometimes coaching two sports at the same time, including: Mr. Cotton, Mr. van Pinxteren, Mrs. De Leon, Mrs. Dodge, Ms. Strucchelli, Ms. So, Ms. Coccimiglio and Mrs. Totten. And thanks to Mrs. Zutautas and Mr. Murphy who gave up their lunch hours supervising students after practice. Teachers, your dedication to our students is noted and appreciated. A big thank you to our parents who are always able to help drive our students from tournament to tournament. Your time and effort are much appreciated. Working in partnership is best for our students.

## Our October Empathy Award Winners:

We are happy to announce our **October Empathy Award** winners...

Mrs. Wigglesworth and Ms. Villamora: JK/SK – Adina  
Mrs. Dodge: Gr 1 – Patrick  
Mrs. Totten: Gr 2 – Chloe  
Mrs. Penafiel: Gr 3 – James  
Mrs. Zutautas: Gr 5 – Karmelina  
Mr. Cotton: Gr 6/7 – Meredith  
Mr. Bryce: Gr 8 – Bradly

Mrs. Buonaiuto and Mrs. Bolos-Kirby: JK/SK– Jennine  
Mrs. Knutson: Gr 1 – Liam  
Mrs. Robinson: Gr 2 – Ember  
Ms. Coccimiglio: Gr 4 – Mario  
Ms. Strucchelli: Gr 6 – Joco  
Mr. Murphy: Gr 7 – Jessie

# Virtue Awards

## Virtue of **Gratitude** – **October**

We are happy to announce our **October Virtue Award winners...**

Mrs. Wigglesworth and Ms. Villamora: JK/SK – Kason  
Mrs. Dodge: 1 – Joshua  
Mrs. Robinson: Gr 2 – Alexander  
Mrs. Penafiel: Gr 3 – Rhainne  
Mrs. Zutautas: Gr 5 – Agnel  
Mr. Cotton: Gr 6/7 – Anna  
Mr. Bryce: Gr 8 – Isaac

Mrs. Buonaiuto and Mrs. Bolos-Kirby: JK/SK – Axl  
Mrs. Knutson: Gr 1 – Arlo  
Mrs. Totten: Gr 2/3 – Dionte  
Ms. Coccimiglio: Gr 4 – Jeremy  
Ms. Strucchelli: Gr 6 – Clo-Belle  
Mr. Murphy: Gr 7 – Sophia



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