



St. John Bosco

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Mr. John Wujek

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Enrollment:

300

Hours of Operation:
8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Lunch Hour:
11:15 pm to 12:15 pm

YEAR OF PARISH

Whatsoever you do to the least of my people, that you do unto me.

Principal's Message...

Even after all these years I still find the start of the school year filled with excitement, enthusiasm, energy and promise. More importantly we all have a chance each September to make a "fresh start" and how often does that really happen? I hope that this year we can continue to move forward, work together, celebrate and acknowledge the many and varied accomplishments and achievements of the school and school community. This year brings changes as we bid adieu to a number of staff members and welcome others. We wish Mrs. Anatacio-Santos a happy retirement. Good luck to Ms. Buonaiuto and Ms. Locurto at their new schools. To Mrs. Silva and Mrs. Arcuri congratulations on your new additions to the family and come to visit us when you can. We welcome Ms. Magallanes as one of our new ELP teachers, she and Mrs. Cammareri will be splitting the ELP class duties. We welcome Mrs. Cafua as she will be filling in for Mrs. Silva while she is on maternity leave and Ms. La Neve who will be the LTO teacher in grade 2 class. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the new students that will be calling St. John Bosco home for many years to come. I am pleased to be back at St. John Bosco. Should you wish to contact me please call the school or leave a message on the school voice mail if you are reporting an absence. E-mail is also a good option. May the Lord continue to Bless and guide all of us as we travel together during the Year of Parish.

Sincerely,
Paul Cianfarani

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PEOPLE, THAT YOU DO
UNTO ME.

~ MATTHEW 25:40 ~

- REMEMBER THAT GOD WELCOMES US ALL TO HIS TABLE; WE SHOULD DO THE SAME.
- BE GUIDED BY THE MESSAGE OF "WHATSOEVER YOU DO TO THE LEAST OF MY PEOPLE, THAT YOU DO UNTO ME."
- IF YOU WANT TO FEEL WELCOMED, MAKE SURE YOU ARE WELCOMING OTHERS.
- HOSPITALITY SHOULD BE EVIDENT IN YOUR HOME, SCHOOL AND THE CHURCH.

HOSPITALITY



Virtue of the Month
The virtue for September is Hospitality.
The agenda includes.

Meet our Staff

Cammareri, Adriana ELP am
Magallanes, Andrea ELP pm
Magallanes, Andrea Fr. am
Irgolino, Gloria, ECE
Andrade, Maria, ELP
Pedro, Jessica, ECE
Luizinho, Ana Gr. 1/2
Ng, Katherine, Gr.1
La Neve, Vittoria, Gr. 2
Cafua, Stefanie, Gr. 2/3
Gomes, Alice, Gr. 3
Vitti-Amato, Maria, Gr. 4
Rodela, Dolores, Gr. 5
Pisegna, Sonia, Gr. 6
Vance, Debora, Gr. 7
Santos-Furtado, Ana, Gr.8
Clarkson, Angela, SE/1
Ferreira, Teresa, B. CYW
Amador, Clara, EA
Valentino, Caterina SE/2
Tropea, Franca, ESL
Stellato, Zenia, Phys. Ed
D'Angelo, Antonietta SP.ED
Brafman, Carol, French
Demski, Stan, Vocal Music
Baldassara, Andrew Inst.
Music (Mondays)
Ang, Portia, Library Tech.
Luiz, Maria Portuguese
Moreira, Ana Paula
Portuguese
Gentile, Connie,
Nutrition/Lunch Supervisor
Lavecchia, Maria, Lunch
Supervisor
Zanutel, Antonietta,
Secretary
Cianfarani, Paul Principal

School Organization

There is no need to be anxious or worried about your child's classroom placement—just know that all the teachers and support staff are here to help your child achieve their best! Your child will learn and grow and they will make and have friends and will be able to face life's challenges as they appear. Should there be issues or questions during the school year please address these with your child's teacher first. Should you wish to involve school administration, please feel free to do so after you have spoken to the classroom teacher. The agenda continues to be an efficient way to communicate and phone calls will be returned in a timely manner. It is important that the lines of communication remain direct and open with those concerned but in a way that is mindful and

respectful of all parties. At St. John Bosco Catholic School we are all partners in education and together we form a team that works together to educate and support the children of the school.

Please remember that all class placements/teacher assignments are considered tentative until September 30th. If the enrolment fluctuates, we may need to make adjustments to some individual classrooms and these are examined on a case by case manner. You child's classroom assignment may be changed. Your understanding and support in this matter, as always, is greatly appreciated.

School Rules

Parents are to call the school if their child will not be in attendance or arriving late. An answering machine is available for calls outside of the regular office hours. As this is a safety concern, we will make every effort to contact your at home or work should your child not be present at school and we are not informed. If your child should fail to arrive home at the expected time please call the school office.

Students who miss the bus must report to the office and not just make their way home.

The school building is open to registered students and staff only. All visitors to the school must sign in and wear a badge. Please do not expect to see a teacher unless you have made previous arrangements. Parents or guardians should not wait in the classroom corridors for children- wait in the main foyer or outside in a pre-arranged location. Children should not return to the school after hours to "get homework" or forgotten materials nor should they be dropped off before 8:05 as supervision cannot be promised.

Student Drop Off and Pick up

Just a reminder that school buses have a bus loading zone directly in front of the school that must be free at all times.

We encourage parents to obey the parking signs that are posted along the street. Please do not park in a manner that will block the flow of traffic and please watch out for students at all times.

Lunch and snacks

The majority of our students remain at school for lunch and eat their lunch within their own classroom. 20 minutes is allocated to eating lunch and for most children this is sufficient (for some it is too long and others too short!) Students who are unable to finish with the set time frame may come to the office to complete their lunch as this is a supervised area.

Bussing

If your child is scheduled to take the bus they must do so on a daily basis. If the bus is not taken each and every day they will be removed from the bussing list. We do take attendance and cannot hold the bus back to determine if your child is on the bus that day.

From time to time parents deliver a special lunch for their child—these lunches should be brought to the office with the child's name and placed on the lunch table outside the main office whereby the student will come to pick up the lunch. Lunches are also a huge source of garbage for the school. Not only do children toss empty plastic bags and containers into the garbage/recycling bins they toss uneaten or partially eaten sandwiches, fruits, or vegetables. Please consider providing your child with re-useable containers that they can bring home each day and encourage your child to bring home uneaten food so that you can monitor their lunch time intake. **Discourage your child from trading food, asking another child to Share food** or toss food around the yard or classroom. Remind them daily of how to expect them to behave while at school! Present in the school are a number of students who suffer from severe allergic reactions to certain allergens most like insect stings, or foods such as tree nuts, peanuts or dairy products. You will be informed of any specific precautions that may need to be taken in your child's classroom. As a school we have a plan in place to help reduce the possibility of exposure to allergenic substances and respond in an emergency situation. We strive to create an allergy aware and allergy safe environment for all the staff and students.

CSPC annual General Meeting and Election will take place on Wednesday, September 20, 2016 at 7 pm in the staffroom. Attached you will find a nomination form – either self or for someone else. Nomination forms are due by the end of the instructional day (3:30 pm) on September 17, 2016. Please consider joining CSAC and as always **all parents** are invited to attend. The CSAC meeting schedule will be set at the first meeting in October and noted on the monthly calendar.



Agendas

As in previous years agendas have been ordered for students in grades 1-8. They will be handed out during the first week of school. Please note that the cost of the agenda has been covered by CSPC.

Important forms to be returned

Please complete **ALL** of the forms that are included in this newsletter and return them to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. It is very important that we keep these forms on file with up-to-date contact information. Please notify the office if and when there are any changes.

School Hours

School will start at **8:30 am** and end at **3:30 pm**. Please **Note, that supervision will begin at 8:05 am. Supervision before this time is not guaranteed. As well there will not be any supervision in the school yard after 3:30 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early so that your child can line up with his or her classmates.** Bell changes for this year, the am recess will be as follows **10:12 am to 10:27 am recess, lunch 11:15-12:15**. All other bell times remain the same.

Medication

If your child requires medication to be taken at school, please contact the principal for the necessary forms that must be completed by the doctor prescribing the medication.

Birthdays

Please note that the child's name will be announced over the P.A. system on the day of his/her birthday. If it falls on the weekend we will announce it on Monday morning. **Please do not send in treats for birthdays.** As mentioned previously we have students that have different allergies. Send in a loot bag with a pencil, eraser, stickers etc. Thank you for your continued assistance.





Monthly Update from the Board September 2016

TCDSB Digital Store: Discounted educational software & hardware for students and staff

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is offering access to the following Microsoft products to all of our students:

- **FREE: Microsoft Office 365 Pro Plus:** includes latest versions of Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Publisher, Excel, Outlook, OneDrive and OneNote. The license can be used for up to 5 computers and up to 5 mobile devices (any platform);
- **FREE: Microsoft Windows 10 EDU;**
- **10% discount on computers and devices at the online Microsoft Education Store.**

In order to access this online offer, the student will need to know his/her TCDSB computer login username and password. If your child does not know his/her login information, please contact your school to ask how to obtain this information.

To take advantage of the software offers you must have internet access for the download. To find out more and how you can take advantage of this offer, visit our TCDSB Digital Store now at: www.tcdsb.org/digitalstore

Open House for Elementary Gifted Students September 7th, 7-9 PM

<https://www.tcdsb.org/news/othernews/2016/pages/open-house-for-elementary-gifted-withdrawal-program.aspx>

High School Open Houses

Grade 8 students and their families are invited to learn more about their secondary school options at

open houses this fall. For a complete schedule, see: <https://www.tcdsb.org/school/OpenHouses/Pages/default.aspx>

Interested in Parent Engagement?

Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Elections Coming October 3rd

<https://www.tcdsb.org/forparents/parentinvolvement/cpicelections/pages/scheduled-cpic-election-for-even-numbered-wards.aspx>

And October 5th

<https://www.tcdsb.org/forparents/parentinvolvement/cpicelections/pages/election-to-fill-cpic-vacancies.aspx>

Learn more about CPIC here:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORPARENTS/ParentInvolvement/Pages/default.aspx>

Registration for Night School, Saturday Language Classes and eClass September 1st to October 7th

Get detailed information online:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/ContinuingEducation/Documents/flyer.pdf>

Registration for Elementary International Languages After-Hours Programs

Classes begin the weekend of September 17th.

Register online here:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SchoolProgramsK12/InternationalLanguages/Pages/Saturday-School-Registration.aspx>

Preparing for Post-Secondary Education?

Check out your university options at the annual **University Information Fair September 23-25, 2016** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre <http://www.ouf.ca/>

Learn about community college program options at the annual **Ontario College Information Fair October 17th and 18th** at the Enercare Centre (Hall B), Exhibition Place <http://www.ocif.ca/>

Celebrating the Year of the Parish 2016-2017

The second year in our three pastoral plan focusing on "Together With One Voice: Harmonizing our Faith Through Family, Parish and School".

It is an opportunity to celebrate the important role that our parishes play in our school communities and in the lives of the students, staff and families that we serve.

During the Year of the Parish, we look for ways to more fully engage our staff and students in the lives of their local parish community, and to welcome our pastors and parish community into school events and activities.

Let's celebrate the Family-Parish-School partnership!

Schools are encouraged to work with their local parish to develop their own parish project. Get more information and ideas here:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/NurturingOurCatholicCommunity/YearoftheParish/Pages/Parish-Project.aspx>

and here:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/NurturingOurCatholicCommunity/YearoftheParish/Pages/default.aspx>

September's Virtue is Hospitality

Find all the monthly resources associated with our virtues of the month online

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

School Year Calendar 2016-2017

Labour Day

September 5, 2016

First Instructional Day

September 6, 2016

Thanksgiving Day

October 10, 2016

Christmas Break

December 26, 2016–January 6, 2017

Start of second semester for secondary schools

February 6, 2017

Family Day

February 20, 2017

Mid-Winter Break

March 13–17, 2017

Good Friday

April 14, 2017

Easter Monday

April 17, 2017

Victoria Day

May 22, 2017

Last day of classes for elementary students

June 29, 2017

Seven (7) Professional Activity (PA) Days for ELEMENTARY schools:

October 7, 2016, November 18, 2016, December 2, 2016, January 20, 2017, February 17, 2017, June 9, 2017, June 30, 2017

***Seven (7) Professional Activity (PA) Days for SECONDARY schools:**

October 7, 2016, November 18, 2016, December 2, 2016, February 17, 2017, June 28, 29, 30, 2017

[Draft Calendar of PA Days and Exam Days 2016-2017.](#) *(Please confirm these dates with your local*

school)

Board and Committee Meetings

Standing committees and Board meetings are generally held on Thursdays. All meetings take place at the Catholic Education Centre, and these public committee and Board meetings are webcast live via the website at <https://www.tcdsb.org/LiveAtTCDSB/Pages/Default.aspx>. If you wish to address the board as a delegation, please register online here:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/TrusteesoftheBoard/boardmeeting/information/Pages/Delegation-Information.aspx>. Agendas and minutes, as well as archived video from past meetings, are also available via the board's website www.tcdsb.org.

Transportation Information

Information, including safety tips and up to the minute reports on cancellations or delays can be found online here: <https://www.torontoschoolbus.org/>

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<https://web1.tcdsb.org/InterestSubscription/subscription.aspx>

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