



# Anthony School

a community of learning on a foundation of faith

September, 2011

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## Prayer for September

**Bless us as we start this new year,  
With our friends and teachers.**

**May the beginning of this school year,  
Remind us that you give us chances to start  
Over and over again.**

**Help us to learn and to work together.**

**Bless our school and keep us safe.  
Bless all those who care for us  
In school and at home.**

**May St. Anthony protect us  
And help us live as well as we can.  
Giving thanks and glory to God.**

**AMEN**

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## Administrative Team Message

Greetings to all our St. Anthony families! We trust that you all had a safe and relaxing holiday. Thank you so much for your continued support of Catholic Education.

We would like to welcome all St. Anthony families new to our school. You will find it a very warm and welcoming community.

We congratulate our students and teachers who attended summer school courses to improve their skills and those who attended the Literacy and Summer Reading Program provided by Dufferin-Peel. St. Anthony School is a place where we can laugh, play, pray, share the Sacraments, learn and care for each other and so much more.

We would like to personally welcome back some familiar faces: I. Alto who will be continuing with us.

We say a sad good-bye to Mrs. Genny Domingos, our school librarian. Mrs. Domingos completely outfitted our new library

and orchestrated a School Book Fair singlehandedly. We would also like to thank Ms. Marianna Rainaldi who has been our school librarian and our Grade 5/6 teacher this past year. We wish her well in her new school. A sad good-bye to Ryan Kelly our ERW and Hockey Team coach - he will be missed. Ryan will be working as a CYW in our family of schools.

A warm welcome to Ms. Irma Maas who is joining us as Vice-Principal to our school, she will be here half time for the year; as well we welcome Mrs. M. P. Moncur from Pope John Paul II our new S.A.T. teacher and our new librarian T. Nicoletta. As well, we welcome R. Ricitano who is joining us to take over for N. Asquith who is currently off on maternity leave. We also welcome D. Falvo who will be filling in for L. Nardi - also off on a maternity leave.

We also welcome Mrs. Carolyn Thompson our new Child and Youth Worker.

Fr. John and Fr. Joseph are happy to see your children back in our school and our church.

We will be making frequent visits at the 9:00 a.m. masses during the weekday and all parents are invited to attend as well.

At St. Anthony we are committed to ensuring that our students learn not only their A, B, C's, but also respect for others, appreciation for the diversity among people, and how to cooperate with friends, peers and colleagues.

The staff and your administrative team look forward to working with you and your children over the next ten months to provide a highly rewarding year, both spiritually and academically.

Our goal is to make St. Anthony School a place where children are excited about learning, where excellence thrives; where Catholic values are lived daily; where students and staff work safely and where all stakeholders take pride.

Wishing you all a wonderful 2011-2012 school year.

God Bless,  
C. Bacci  
I. Maas

## The following placements are **TENTATIVE!**

### **FACULTY TRANSITIONS**

St. Anthony School community welcomes all Faculty members, new and familiar. They are as follows:

J. Saul	JK
L. Senko	SK
A. Nuzda	Gr. 1
M. Melo	Gr. 1/2
R. Boland	Gr. 1/2
I. Alto	Gr. 2
N. Asquith (R. Ricitano)	Gr. 2/3
I. Judd	Gr. 3
A. Chiarelli	Gr. 4/5
T. Marchand	Gr. 4
T. Whitney	Gr. 5
S. Magditsch	Gr. 5/6
A. Dalli	Gr. 6
V. Gasior	Gr. 7
A. Dinu	Gr. 8
J. Martins	Gr. 7/8
R. Stuart	ERW
	ERW
M. Sangoirgio	Reading Recovery
F. Cataldo	Planning/FSL/ESL
J. Humniski	Planning
R. Patterson	SERT/ESL
N. Ragona	SERT/SERC
T. Nicoletti	Teacher-Librarian
D. Falvo	FSL
A. Battaglia	Head Secretary
G. Odoardi	Secretary
C. Bacci	Principal
I. Maas	Vice-Principal
A. Palombo	Head Custodian
V. Calautti	Custodian
D. Culver	Custodian
U. Agarwal	Social Worker
C. Thompson	CYW
A. Churchill	Speech Pathologist
S. Klein Smith	Psychologist

## **Re-Organization!!!!**

Our teachers have worked very hard to make class lists - balancing gender, abilities and personalities of students. These lists are carefully considered and each child is designated a teacher and a classroom.

All students will be notified the first day as to their teacher and their classroom. The Grade 7 and 8 will be operating a limited rotary.

Please bear in mind that combined grades are a fact of life, especially in the Primary Grades with a hard cap of 20 to 1.

September 16 is the Board designated day for re-organization. No students will be moved prior to September 16. If you wish to contact the office re: class assignment - call and make an appointment with Mrs. Maas or Mrs. Bacci. (905) 792-2282.

## **Thanks to our Custodians.....**

Our custodians have been working especially hard this summer. Mrs. Calautti and Mr. Palombo also cleaned and waxed the classes first and then cleaned each desk, chair and table and helped with moving classrooms. While most of us were enjoying our holidays, they were moving furniture, scrubbing, waxing, cleaning windows, desks, chairs. To be able to accomplish what Mr. Palombo and Mrs. Calautti managed they had to be very dedicated to their job. Thank you for serving us all so well. Your work speaks for you and we now enjoy a clean, shiny new building.

## **St. Anthony Breakfast Program**



On Tuesday, September 6, we will be starting our breakfast program once again for St. Anthony School. It is sponsored by "Breakfast for Kids" Program which has many private and public sponsors. Great thanks for getting this program at St. Anthony is due to the very hard work of our Child and Youth Worker, Carolyn Thompson who has worked tirelessly for our kids here at St. Anthony last year. Ms. Irma Maas our new Vice Principal, will be in charge of the Breakfast program this year.

Most breakfasts are going to be the "quick on the run" breakfasts, but once a month we will do a hot breakfast as a special treat. They will be available to all students every morning at 8:15 a.m. Staff and volunteers are desperately needed, so if you are available to help, even one morning a week, we would love to have you come out.

# St. Anthony - New Hours 2010/2011

The St. Anthony hours will be:  
 8:30 a.m. - Begin Classes  
 11:00 a.m. - Kindergarten a.m. ends  
 12:30 p.m. Begin Kindergarten Classes  
 3:00 Dismissal

Recess and Lunch Hours:  
1st Recess - 9:57 to 10:12  
Lunch Recess 11:35 to 12:15 Outside  
 12:15 to 12:35 - Eat Lunch Inside  
2nd Recess: 2:00 to 2:15

## Reminder :

**FRIDAY ,  
 SEPTEMBER 16  
 IS A P.A. DAY  
 FOR REORGANI-  
 ZATION AND  
 FAITH DEVEL-  
 OPMENT .  
THERE IS NO  
 SCHOOL FOR  
 STUDENTS**

## Virtue of the Month: Faith



### SEPTEMBER ~Faith

To begin the new school year, we'll focus our attention on the first of our virtues – **faith**. Faith is the great virtue of believing in God and trusting that God is with us.

A *faithful* person believes that we are created, guided by and destined to be reunited with God.

A *faithful* person believes that God's plan for us includes the right to be safe, especially at school.

#### ***A Faithful person...***

- Prays regularly and reverently**
- Learns from Scripture stories**
- Honours people's God-given names**
- Assumes that there is good in everyone**
- Accepts the God-given worth of themselves and others**

## MEET THE TEACHER BBQ NIGHT



Please mark Wednesday, September 21, 2011 on your calendars as that is the night of our "Meet the Teacher BBQ Night". The BBQ will begin at 6:00 to 8 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there. Please look for the order form coming home in the next week. We would ask you to complete the order form and return it to the school with the appropriate funds. **There will also be a special presentation for all of our Grade 8 parents at 7 p.m. to outline Grade 8 expectations and our Grade 8 overnight trip in the spring.**

# Students with Anaphylaxis

Anaphylaxis is a severe, sometimes life-threatening, allergic reaction that occurs within minutes of exposure to an offending substance. Anaphylaxis is the most severe allergic reaction in which immune chemicals, such as histamine, produce serious skin symptoms (hives, swelling) as well as severe breathing problems (swelling in the throat, narrowing of the lower airways, wheezing). They also produce a dramatic widening of the blood vessels, which results in a rapid, severe drop in blood pressure (shock). Anaphylactic shock is a life-threatening medical emergency.

At St. Anthony School we have several children with life-threatening allergies. They all require having an epi-pen at the school. For this reason, we are asking the co-operation of all parents and guardians in ensuring that no peanut or nut products are sent to school. **We are also asking that if a parent or guardian wishes to send something for the class to celebrate a birthday, that this could be stickers or pencils rather than food items such as baked goods or treats.**

**In the spirit of keeping everyone safe, here is a list of peanut/nut free ideas that are safe for daily snacks and special celebrations:**

- 🍎 Raw vegetables
- 🍎 Fresh fruits
- 🍎 Nestle chocolate (Smarties, Kit Kat, Aero, Coffee Crisp)
- 🍎 Crackers and cheese
- 🍎 Lays potato chips - plain only
- 🍎 Red Licorice
- 🍎 Goldfish Crackers
- 🍎 Kellogg's Rice Krispie Squares (not home made)

**\* According to Tim Horton's, Tim Bits and their doughnuts may contain traces of nuts, therefore are not allowed.**

Thank you for your vigilant care in the choice of snacks that you have been sending for your children. Together we can make this as safe an environment as possible.

**Please remember that any contact with any amount or type of nut can cause a life threatening situation for children with allergies.**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

### PA Days 2011/2012

Professional Activity days are:  
Friday, September 16, 2011  
Friday, November 18, 2011  
Monday, January 16, 2012  
Friday, February 3, 2012  
Friday, May 11, 2011  
Monday, June 11, 2012

### Christmas Break

Friday, December 23, 2011 is the last day of school, holidays begin Monday December 26, 2011.

We return to school Monday, January 9, 2012.

### Family Day

Family Day is Monday, February 20, 2012.

### March Break

March Break takes place the week of March 12 to March 16, 2012(inclusive).  
We return to school Monday, March 19, 2012.

### Graduation Day

Grade 8 Graduation will take place during the day, Friday, June 22, 2012 at the Mississauga Convention Center....Details to follow.

### Last Day of School

The last day of school is Friday, June 29, 2012.

## TRANSPORTATION



Students who are eligible will be bussed to St. Anthony.

Students are granted this privilege of travelling to and from school by school bus must behave in a safe and appropriate manner while they are aboard the vehicle.

The bus drivers' first responsibility is the safe operation of the vehicle. Students are account-

able for their behaviour on the bus.

Rules for boarding the bus, while on the bus must be strictly observed by the students or the student will be warned by Mrs. Bacci or Mrs. Maas and may lose their privilege for riding the bus.

Please go over the rules for riding the bus with your child (ren) and reinforce these rules periodically.

A copy of the School Bus Safety Expectations will be coming home with all bus students. The empty seat policy for all busses will be in effect starting October 3, 2011.

If you would like your child(ren) considered for the empty seat policy please inform Mrs. Mass in the office. No empty seats will be offered before October 3rd. All students are required to sign the sheet indicating they have reviewed and agree to the School Bus Safety Expectations.

Students are NOT allowed to change busses for any reason without written authorization from the office.

If you have any questions please call the office at (905) 792-2282.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL & ELECTIONS

*We extend our thanks to the parents, non-teaching staff and teachers who dedicated themselves to the efforts of our School Advisory Council during 2010-2011. This month, we are accepting nominations or volunteers to serve on the Council for the 2011-2012 school year.*

*We have some volunteers, but all parents are invited to put their name forward. If you think of someone who could represent you well, urge them to offer their name. Be sure to check with the person whom you are nominating to get their approval. Most Council meetings take place the second Tuesday of selected months at 6:30 PM in the staffroom at St. Anthony School. All parents are asked to join the group to offer opinions, give ideas and learn about the working of the school and education on a larger scale. You are always welcome.*

***First School Advisory Council Meeting: Tuesday, September 26***



### Picture Day!!!!

**Picture day is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2012.**

**Dress your best and wear a smile.**

# September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Labour Day NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	6	7	8	9	10 Grandparent's Day
11	12	13	14	15	16 PA DAY No School for Stu- dents (Re-Organization Day)	17
18	19	20 Photo Day!	21 6:00 p.m. Welcome Back BBQ - Meet the Teacher	22	23 Pizza Day	24
25 Wif Hartzenberg Walk, Roll, Run and Stroller for a Cure	26 Lunch Lady  6:30 School Advisory Council Elections	27	28	29	30 Sub Day	