



**June  
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# Queen of Heaven School

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*O God of all beginnings and endings,  
we praise and thank you for the gift of this school year.  
It has been a time filled with grace and blessings, with challenges and  
opportunities, joys and sorrows.*

*Give us the rest and refreshment we need this summer.  
Let our efforts of this past year bear fruit.  
Bring all of our plans to a joyful conclusion,  
and bless us, according to your will,*

*With the fulfillment of our summer hopes and dreams.  
Watch over us in the weeks of rest ahead,  
and guide each day as you have done this past year.  
Help us return to school with a new spirit and a new energy.*

*Amen*

## **Principal's Message:**

*As I reflect on this past year, there is so much to be proud of at Queen of Heaven School. The entire community supported The Terry Fox Walk, School Council Dance-a-thon, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter Food Drives for St. Dominic's Church, Make Change for Japan, Share Life, Jump Rope for Heart, our weekly Community Building Activities and our fabulous 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.*

*We have enjoyed excellent presentations including D.O., Mad Science, Brass Rubbings Presentation, Junior Achievement, and countless field trips to enrich our children's experiences at school. A sincere thank you to members of our School Council and parent volunteers who put so much time and energy into making our school an outstanding place for students to learn.*

*As a Catholic community we rely on the solid connection between home, school and parish. We have been blessed with a remarkable parish team and I would like to thank Father Phil Jones and Father Noel Whelan for their ongoing spiritual support, guidance and friendship over the course of this school year.*

*I would like to acknowledge the work of our head secretary, Mrs. Crook. A very special thank you to Mr. Leite, James Da Ponte, Mrs. Garofalo and Mr. Theriault, our custodial staff for keeping our school beautifully cared for. Thank you to our Trustee Mario Pascucci and to our Superintendent, Charles Blanchard for their continued support. To the staff, thank you for your dedication and the countless contributions you have made to our student's learning. Finally, thank you to our parent community for your ongoing support of school initiatives.*

*It is with great affection and many fond memories of my five years as principal at Queen of Heaven School that I leave you this June. Have a wonderful summer and all the best to each and every one of you in September. I will miss you all.*

**C. Cauduro  
Principal**

### FAREWELL AND THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to say good-bye to some very special members on the staff of Queen of Heaven School who will be leaving us this June. To Mr. Grogan who has accepted a position at St. Thomas More, Miss Furlan who will be teaching at St. Lucy School, Mrs. DiCarlo who will be on maternity leave and our long-term occasional teachers Ms. Rodrigues, Ms. Anderson, Mrs. Correia, Miss Telech and Miss Trzaski. We thank them for the countless contributions they have made to Queen of Heaven School. We truly appreciate all that they have done to make Queen of Heaven a special place for our students. They will be greatly missed.

### WELCOME TO QUEEN OF HEAVEN SCHOOL:

I would like to welcome Mrs. Ann Marie Slak as your newly appointed principal and Mrs. Cathy Sforza as your new vice-principal for September 2011. I know that you will welcome them to Queen of Heaven School with open arms as they prepare to take over the guidance and care of your children.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

The staff and students wish to thank our Catholic School Council for their incredible support this school year. The council held one major fundraiser, The Dance-a-thon, in October. Money raised from this single event has gone a long way to support your children and help us to achieve goals. Thank you to our School Council who funded the following activities this year:

The September Open House B.B.Q  
Artists in the School  
Sacramental Preparations and Gifts Grades 2 and 8  
Families in Need, Lunches for Students  
Spring Concert, Mad Science Presentations  
Grade 4 Brass Rubbings Presentation  
Grade 6 Trip to Mansfield, Grade 8 Graduation  
Primary Class Crafts, Library Materials  
JK/SK Games and Learning Resources  
Resources and Games for The Needs Moderate Class

Information regarding membership for the Council and nomination forms will be sent home in early September. All parents/guardians are encouraged to become involved. Our Open House B.B.Q. and meet the Teacher Night is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2011. The first council meeting is set for Thursday, September 29, 2011.

### LIBRARY NEWS FROM MRS. MCKEOWN

I would like to congratulate the **Battle of the Books Team 2011** for their outstanding performance at the competition in May. Our team of nine students, coached by C. Zogheib, answered 59 out of 60 questions correctly and worked as a unit as they faced off against other schools. The team members were Alyssa S., Meagan J., Hailie P., Sofia R., Caleigh C., Ben C., Anthony M., and Simone F. Thank you to Mrs. Chambers for accompanying us to St. Alfred School.

Thank you to all families for supporting our Spring Book Fair. As a result of your generous support, I selected \$650.00 of books from the fair for our library and received \$960.00 cash to purchase new items for the collection.

Thank you to each and every one of my Library Helpers for their dedication, commitment and hard work this year. These students help keep our school library organized and neat so that we can find what we are looking for.

The school year is winding down and it's time to locate and return the library books that have been misplaced. This is an "ALL CALL" for all Queen of Heaven library books – they want to come home!

**The final due date for all library materials is June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011.** After that date, notes will be sent home with your child to notify you if a book has not been returned to the library. Please take some time to look for these lost books. If you cannot locate the missing items, please send in payment (cash or cheque payable to Queen of Heaven School) with your child before the end of the school year. If the item is located, your payment will be returned to you.

### ST. DOMINIC CHURCH

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held for grade 8 students Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> at noon and June 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00, noon and 3 p.m. Bishop Boissonneau will officiate at all masses. Our final mass of the school year will be held on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. Please join us.

### INTERMEDIATE SOCCER NEWS

The intermediate boys and girls soccer teams continue to participate in tournaments during the month June. Team members are: Michelle B., Rebecca C., Brianne C., Eden C., Nicole F., Jessica F., Molly F., Sarah H., Shannon H., Katherine J., Cynthia L., Nicole M., Daniela M., Caroline M., Holly P., and Valentina S. The boys' team: Christian A., Simon B., Taidgh B., Michael C., Oleksiy D., Nathan F., Austin F., Matthew F., Dylan F., Alec G., Nicholas H., David L., Carlos R., Volodya T., and Michael W. Thank you to their coaches Mr. Grogan, Mr. Chircop, Miss Bertolacci and Mlle. Pelosi for all of their hard work. Let's Go Crusaders!!!



### TRACK AND FIELD

Students from grades 5 to 8 are busy training for the school track and field team. Our team will compete in the Mississauga East Family Track and Field Meet being held on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Students who place first or second at the Family Meet will move on to compete at the Board Track and Field Meet on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Go Crusaders Go!!!

### STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

A great big thank you to the members of our Student Council: Victoria G., Cynthia L., Michelle B., and Eden C., who have brought some fun to the students while raising money for Share Life. Over the course of this school year they have hosted a Valentine cookie sale, intermediate dances, a Lenten pretzel sale, Make Change for Japan, Spirit Days and food drives. Thank you to all of the students and their families who participated in these events and supported our Student Council.

### END OF THE YEAR MASS

Our end of the year mass is scheduled to take place on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. at St. Dominic Parish. Sacramental gifts will be given to our grade 2 and 8 students. Please join us as we celebrate and give thanks for all of the wonderful blessings of this school year.



### PARENT APPRECIATION TEA

Our Parent Appreciation Tea is scheduled for Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the library. Invitations will be sent out in early June. We look forward to thanking all of our volunteers who enrich our school community with their time, talent and dedication.

### GRADE EIGHT GRADUATION

Grade Eight Graduation is scheduled for **Monday, June 27, 2011**. Graduation Mass will be 10:00 a.m. at St. Dominic's Parish and all are welcome. A luncheon and afternoon dance for the **graduates** will be held from 11:30- 4:00 p.m. at Boaden Banquet Hall. The Awards Ceremony will be held in the school gymnasium **beginning at 6:00 p.m.** for the families of the graduates.

### LOST AND FOUND

Once again, a number of items have been accumulating in our school lost and found. Please make the time to come in and check the Lost and Found. Any items not claimed by the end of June will be donated to charity.

### SUMMER PROGRAMS AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Mississauga Public Libraries are offering numerous summer programs for children of all ages starting in July. For more information you can drop by any branch of the Mississauga Library and pick up a schedule, visit their website at [www.mississauga.ca/library](http://www.mississauga.ca/library) .

### BICYCLE SAFETY

With the warmer weather students are able to ride their bicycles to school. We expect that every student who rides a bicycle to school follows these rules:

- Enter the school at the south side and walk bicycles on school property (sidewalks)
- Lock bicycles in the bicycle parking area for the day
- Obey all bicycle safety rules
- Wear a helmet

Please ensure that your child complies with these rules or they will not be allowed to ride their bicycles to school.

### ROLLERBLADES, SKATEBOARDS AND WHEELS

Students who wish to skateboard or rollerblade to school must remove their rollerblades/get off their skateboards/scooters as soon as they enter school property and put their shoes on and skateboards away. Shoes with wheels are not allowed at school.



### TRANSPORTATION

Transportation eligibility is determined based on the distance from the school and **home address** of the child. At this point there are a number of students riding the bus under our "courtesy seat" policy. Please be aware that these "courtesy seats" are granted on a yearly basis and that until bus companies settle their routes at the end of October, these students are not permitted to ride the bus. In addition, if your home address does not make your child eligible for transportation then the child(ren) are not permitted to ride the bus. Please contact the school office if you are unsure whether your child qualifies or not for transportation <http://businfo.stopr.ca> for Geo-Query. Final transportation information will be available at the end of August.

### REPORT CARDS

Third term report cards will be sent home with students S.K. to Grade 8 on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. You are encouraged to use the tear-away section to comment on your child's achievement. Please complete, sign and return this page to your child's teacher by Thursday, June 30, 2011.

### MOVING?

If you are planning on moving out of the Queen of Heaven School area, or simply changing address within our school boundaries, please let the office know as soon as possible.

## DRESS CODE

School Board Policy states that all students are expected to dress to standards of neatness, cleanliness, modesty and good taste. Certain items i.e.: shirts with inappropriate logos/ wording, exposure of undergarments or midriffs, tight or torn clothing are contrary to both the philosophy of our Catholic School teachings and to the standards we set as parents and educators. Specifically with regards to clothing:

- It should be neat, clean and without tears and/or holes
- Shorts and skirts shall be walking length (end of fingertips) and hemmed
- Halter tops, mesh shirts, spandex bicycle wear, cut-off shirts/shorts, midriff tops, spaghetti straps, p.j. bottoms, skin tight leggings and bandanas are not appropriate attire for school
- Hats, sunglasses and sunscreen are encouraged for outdoor wear

Your assistance in ensuring that your child is dressed appropriately is appreciated.

## WARM WEATHER GUIDELINES

The effects of the sun can be quite harmful. Peel Health recommends that parents be aware of sun safety. At school we encourage our students to wear sunscreen, protective hats and sunglasses while outside for recess. We also ask that parents send extra drinks (water and juice) to keep children hydrated.

## YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Did you know that there is a YMCA Program at Queen of Heaven which provides a discovery based learning approach for children between the ages of 4 and 12 years, in your school? The YMCA program offers quality care after school, and they currently have spaces available. They provide stimulating learning experiences in a safe and secure environment. The program is government licensed and adheres to all regulations and standards set by the Day Nurseries Act. For more information please call Nally de Borba at 905 276-9322 ext. 202.

## LAKESHORE RATEPAYERS PICNIC

On Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> from 12- 4:00 you are invited to the Lakeview Community Picnic at Crook's Park near the Lakefront Promenade. Admission is FREE and it promises to be a day of Family Fun for all. For more information contact J. Judge at 905 822-1558

## VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

The virtue for the month of June is Fairness. Fairness is not the idea of equality but the idea that everyone has what they need. A fair person:

- listens to all sides before forming an opinion
- shows good sportsmanship at all times
- works to bring about peaceful solutions to problems
- cheers the successes of others

Let us strive to be fair with one another and treat others the way we want to be treated.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

May30- June10; Grade 3 and 6 EQAO Testing 9:00 a.m.  
June 1; Pizza Day  
Peel Water Festival Mr. Arduini  
June 2; Fire Drill in p.m.  
June 3; Gr. 7 and 8 Girls Soccer Tournament  
June 4; Lakeview Community Picnic 12-4:00 p.m.  
June 5; Gr. 8 Confirmation 12:00 Mass  
June 7; Kidsentials Hot Lunch  
June 8; Pizza Day  
HPV Clinic Gr. 8 Girls/Hep. B Dose 2  
Gr. 4 Trip to Port Credit Library  
June 9; Gr. 2 Lakeview Library/Telech & Rodrigues  
School Council Mtg. and Social 7:00 pm  
June 10; Final Day EQAO  
June 11; Choir Sings at Lakeview  
June 12; Gr. 8 Confirmation 10:00, Noon, 3:00 Masses  
June 13; P.A. Day Assessment and Evaluation  
June 14; Silver Creek Trip Mr. Arduini  
Fire Drill in a.m.  
June 15; Pizza Day  
June 16; Family Track and Field Meet  
Gr. 3 Trip to Pioneer Village  
June 17; Community Building Activities Day a.m.  
Year End Mass 1:15 St. Dominic Church  
June 21; Final Kidsentials Hot Lunch  
Kindergarten Play Day  
Fire Drill Today  
June 22; Final Pizza Day  
June 23; Volunteer Tea 2:00 in Library  
June 24; Board Track and Field Meet  
June 27; Grade 8 Graduation  
June 28; Report Cards Go Home  
June 29; Rain Date Kindergarten Play Day  
June 30; Final Day of School  
Teacher Appreciation Luncheon  
Sept. 6; New School Year Begins  
Sept. 16; P.A. Day  
Sept. 22; Open House B.B.Q. Tentative Date

*Wishing You All a Safe and Happy Summer*