Upcoming Events and Important Dates

- **February 12th**: School Council Meeting 6:30pm Library
- **February 14th**: Verification Sheets Due to Guidance
- **February 21st**: Last Day for Course Type Changes
- **March 12th**: Campion’s Got Talent 6:30 pm Cafeteria
- **March 16th** to **20th**: March Break
- **March 27th**: Early Progress Reports sent home
- **March 31st**: Ontario Secondary Literacy Test Written
- **April 2nd**: Parent Teacher Interviews 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

COMMUNITY HOURS

*Any time is a good time to hand in your 40 community hours.*

**THIS MEANS YOU GRADE 12’S**
From the Principals Desk

As we begin another exciting semester at St. Edmund Campion, I want to congratulate our students on their first term achievement and thank them for representing our school community so well. I wish you continued success as you begin your semester two courses. Students are encouraged to connect with their classroom teachers and support staff at Campion as new beginnings may sometimes present with some challenges and apprehensions. Having a fresh start is also exciting as new opportunities, new learning, a new friendships occur.

Student engagement and success, faith development, and community wellness are at the forefront of all that we do at St. Edmund Campion. Through our Catholic Graduate Expectations, we strive to support all our learners in recognizing their many talents, nourishing their hearts and minds, and achieving academic success. This would not be possible without the genuine care, concern, and commitment our staff provide Campion students each day. We believe that all our learners can meet with success through a welcoming, caring, and inclusive environment. We are grateful for the network of community supports and partnerships we have established to foster student success and wellness.

Thank you to our staff, student government, and student voice representatives for the many co-curricular, experiential learning, and school spirit opportunities you have coordinated this past semester. Thank you to our Catholic School Council parent volunteers for your contributions to our Campion Breakfast Program. We look forward to the Spring Sports season, our anticipated Spring concerts and drama performances, as well as the many school spirit activities and parent engagement events ahead. A special thank you to Fr. Jan and Guardian Angels Parish for our monthly mass celebrations and for your ongoing supporting in nurturing our Catholic faith.

Grade 12s, by now you would have determined your post-secondary pathways; continue to pursue excellence; your leadership within our school community is greatly appreciated. Be sure to complete your community service hours; check with our Student Services Department to ensure you are on track to graduate.

Congratulations to Mrs. E. Kussmann on her retirement! Mrs. Kussmann has embarked upon a new journey following a very successful career as a Catholic educator. Thank you Mrs. Kussmann for your years of service in Dufferin-Peel; through your care and commitment, you have touched the lives of many students and staff at St. Edmund Campion. Our community has been blessed by your exemplary teaching; your legacy and vision of supporting diverse learners through compassion will forever be with us. Best wishes and thank you!

On a final note, please follow our school twitter account @EdCampionCSS for upcoming school events, important dates, and daily announcements. We have a number of special guests, events and activities planned for Black History Month. As well, our next parent Catholic School Council meeting will be held on Wednesday February 12th commencing at 6:30 pm in our school library. Please mark this date in your calendars – we hope parents can join us.

Regards,
Mr. Cusumano
Chaplaincy Team

Retreats

Grade 9: Network
This retreat is focused around our connections with our families, friends and our relationships. Looking at what drives our desire for the connections that we have from the past, present and future. How students use filters to protect themselves and how they use filters to establish what they want others to know or not know about them. Students will dive into the difference of what key traits others are defining them by verses who they truly are – or want to be!
Location: St. Francis Xavier Church - Main Hall

Grade 10: Relationship Compass
This retreat is focused on empowering youth and equipping them to build strong relationships and set healthy boundaries. The focus is on dating and providing a wide variety of information intended to help youth successfully navigate these relationships. All retreats held by JFJ Hope Centre are active, interactive and designed to promote discussion.
Location: Guardian Angels Catholic Church – Main Hall

Grade 11: Regeneration Soup Kitchen
The Grade Eleven students will participate in a day of serving the poor at Regeneration in Brampton. The students will have the opportunity to learn about how they can make a difference to others in need. The students will also hear true stories from the coordinator and a current guest at Regeneration. Students will then prepare the meal in the kitchen and serve the meals to the homeless. The retreat day will conclude with a debriefing in the church.
Location: Regeneration, Brampton

Grade 12: Striving for Greatness
The Grade Twelve students will travel to Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga to participate in a day filled with reflection about not settling for comfort, but striving for greatness. Students will participate in icebreakers, small group discussions and will hear a testimony of conversion to the Catholic faith.
Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
Campion Cares Community Outreach

Our Chaplaincy team, Student Council and DECA worked together to run a canned food drive, toys for our feeder school students and a “Pick Me Up” gift drive for our own community. The entire student body was involved over the advent season and we were very inspired by our student’s desire to give back to the community.

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**Chaplaincy Team**

**Summit**
Commitment: Tuesdays Weekly 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Location: Cafeteria
Summit is a discipleship group. Each week, small groups of teens meet to dive into the Sunday Scripture readings and examine the key themes, then discuss how God is speaking to them through His Word. Muffins and Hot Chocolate will be served at every session.

**Life Teen**
Commitment: Thursdays Weekly 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Location: Chapel
Life Teen is a community of high school teens gathering to enjoy the gift of friendship while growing in faith and virtue. As a student-led initiative, it is a time to share, ask and pray in a non-judgmental environment that is safe and welcoming.

**Lift Jesus Higher Rally – Saturday March 7th**
A bus will be travelling to the Metro Convention Centre on Saturday March 7th for a youth conference. The day will include motivating talks, inspiring testimonies, skits and uplifting worship music. Tickets are $20.00 each. Sign-up at the chaplaincy office! Spots are limited.

**March for Life (Ottawa)**
May 13-14, 2020
Permission forms coming soon
Check out the links below for academic help
1. TVOkids.org – great website for kids to play games that support the curriculum. As well there is an area for kids to access homework help from K to 6 http://www.tvokids.com/
2. Mathies.ca – great website with lots of resources to support mathematics http://mathies.ca/
3. mathclips.ca – interactive lessons for students to practice their math http://mathclips.ca/
4. Teachontario.ca – website for parents where websites and apps have been curated https://www.teachontario.ca/community/explore/parents-as-partners
7. homeworkhelp.ilc.org – free online tutoring resource for students grade 7 to 10 in mathematics https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org/
8. Ontario Catholic Curriculum. Resources and curriculum updates for Elementary and Secondary Schools in Catholic Education can be found her Institute for Catholic Education https://iceont.ca/

Does your Child Need Help with their Homework?
Our Peer Tutoring Program “Coco and Cram”, runs every Tuesday and Thursday afterschool in room 101 from 2:30 to 3:20 pm. Senior students and teachers work to support Grade 9 and 10 students who need help with their Math, Science and English homework.
For more information please contact Mrs. A. Pearl ext. 72170

Student Voice
Our Student Leadership/ Student Voice Conference ran in December. Our Student Senator Gareth Lucas brought together all of our student leaders from across all clubs, initiatives and courses to discuss how best they could work together to meet our school goal of engaging every student in our programs every student to get involved.
In December, Campion’s YES4MH Student Leader group were invited to present at this year’s Region of Peel Symposium. They shared their experience and hard work from their efforts to empower young people to have positive mental health.
Our Drama program performed several Christmas theatre productions for our feeder schools and our community. Our school Music program also welcomed our community during the Advent Season to their musical productions. Our Art students ran an art gallery during all of these events and showcased their creativity.

**NEWS FROM THE MUSIC PROGRAM:**

“Musician of the Month” certificates are given to students enrolled in any of the Instrumental Music classes. Each student receives a certificate, a small gift, and a picture is taken to put in the display case outside of the Music Room. The following students received certificates for Semester 1:

**November:** Recipients of the Practice Methods Certificate
- AMI1O1-01 – Tobey Darocha – Percussion
- AMI1O1-02 – Dominick Mueller – Bass Clarinet
- AMU2O1-01 – Natalie Lewis – Flute
- AMI2O1-01 – Marissa Iaccetta – Alto Sax

December: Recipients of the Class Participation Certificate
- AMI1O1-01 – Amudha Jayapal – Trumpet
- AMI1O1-02 – Reeya Bedi – Trombone
- AMI2O1-01 – Elman Sasikumar – Percussion

January: Recipients of the Musicianship Certificate (this is for really being able to make their instruments “sing”) 
- AMI1O1-01 – Andrius Avenido – Alto Sax
- AMI1O1-02 – Manveer Toor – Oboe
- AMI2O1-01 – Karl Gonsalves – Clarinet

A certificate was also awarded to the grade 9 student who improved the most in performance. This person had never touched an instrument before, and over the months the improvements were absolutely fabulous. The recipient of this certificate was given to AMI1O1-02 – Brian Pereira – Trumpet.

Music teachers Mr. Lue and Ms. Dobson would like to thank everyone that participated in the Christmas Concert that was held on Thursday, December 12. The turnout was incredible, and since the Community was so generous, the Music Program was able to give back! First of all, the proceeds from the delicious, homemade baked goods that were donated was given to help contribute to Campion’s Christmas Baskets. In addition, patrons were able to pay $4 instead of $5 if they contributed a non-perishable food product. The big boxes of food that were collected that evening went to Campion’s Food Drive. We would like to thank our wonderful Community for continued support of the Music Program, and we look forward to seeing you at the Spring Concert on May 21, 2020.

New for Semester 2: On behalf of students’ requests, Ms. Dobson will be starting Orchestra after March Break. Auditions will be open to students enrolled in any of the music courses offered at Campion, and rehearsals will begin shortly after that.
**Science Department**

In December our Grade 12 Chemistry Students had the chance to visit the University of Guelph and take part in an experiential learning Chemistry Lab. Students had the chance to get a hands-on experience working in the university research laboratory and hearing from graduate students.

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**Athletic News**

St. Edmund Campion Bears have returned from the winter break eager to continue their excellent performance in Athletics. Currently, we have teams competing in 5 different ROPSSAA sports. Here are a few highlights from the Winter season thus far:

**Campion Jr. Boys Showdown 2020**
On Friday and Saturday Feb.7th-8th, our school will co-host with St. Roch the 10th Annual Junior Boys Basketball Showdown tournament. 12 teams from the GTA will battle for the top spot just before the playoff season starts. Campion’s junior boys team is currently undefeated in ROPSSAA play with a perfect record of 7-0. The first game of the tournament will be a buy-out game for our school community to raise funds for ShareLife. Good luck as they will take on several opponents to defend home court. GO BEARS!

**Varsity Girls Field Hockey**
The St. Edmund Campion Bears Field Hockey Program began only 3 years ago. In their first season, the Bears managed one tie throughout the season. Last year, they claimed a quarter-final playoff berth losing a close match to Clarkson. This year, the Bears exceeded expectations and beat Lorne Park in a thrilling semi-final shootout paving the way to the ROPSSAA Final. In a close battle the Bears lost to Mayfield 1-0 to earn silver medals. Coaches Esposito-Mclean and Kane are so proud of the hard work and commitment these players displayed and look forward to next season! Thanks to all the administration, staff, students and parents that have supported the team.

**Special Events Basketball**
On November 26th, St. Edmund Campion hosted the Special Events Basketball Tournament, welcoming 4 teams and 50 athletes, coaches and teachers. The athletes displayed excellent skill and teamwork, and a fun time was had by all that attended. A special thank you to the referees, Ms. Jarrett, Ms. Mattacchione, Ms. Dugas and Ms. Curic and her Leadership class who contributed to the day’s success.

**Varsity Swimming**
The Varsity Swim Team has competed in 3 meets in preparation of the ROPSSAA Championships on February 12th at the Etobicoke Olympium. The team has demonstrated determination and commitment to improving their technical skills, and they have developed an unbreakable team bond. Coaches Ms. Dugas and Mr. Peter have been pleased with the team’s improvement since the start of the season and anticipate personal best times and second swims at the Championships next week.

**Upcoming seasons**
Girls Hockey; Table Tennis; Jr/Sr Girls & Boys Soccer; Track & Field and Special Events Track & Field; Slo-Pitch; and Lacrosse
St. Edmund Campion Graduation 2019-2020

Student Information

IMPORTANT DATES FOR GRADS

Valedictorian Selection Process

Nomination Packages Due: Friday, March 6, 2020
Committee Speech: Week of March 23-27, 2020
Speech Assembly: April 23, 2020

Graduation Activities & Ceremony

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2020

Graduation Mass & Brunch - St. Edmund Campion 10:00am
Gown Pick-up – CAA Centre 5:30pm
Graduation Ceremony - CAA Centre 7:00pm

Prom

Friday, June 12, 2020

Dinner and Dance at Apollo Convention Centre
5:30pm

Fees & Collection Dates for Events

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ALL PAYMENTS SHOULD BE MADE ONLINE @ https://dpcdsb.schoolcashonline.com