

St. Evan Catholic School



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PRAYER FOR RESPECT

All mighty God, giver of all that is good we thank you for the precious gift of human life. Guide us to respect all life, and like St. Francis, help us to see the beauty and goodness in all living things. Help us to imitate your respect for life. For the life of children, making us glad with their enthusiasm, for the life of young people, hoping for a better world, for the life of the sick and disabled, teaching us humility, and for the life of the elderly, witnessing patience and wisdom. We thank you Lord and like Blessed Mary, may we always say yes to your gift of life and may we have respect for all.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,

AMEN

VIRTUE FOR FEBRUARY: RESPECT

During the month of February we will focus on the virtue of RESPECT. God wants us to treat all people with the respect they deserve.

People with Respect:

- Uses a positive tone of voice and body language
- Avoids swearing, name-calling, put downs, and inappropriate gestures
- Says "Excuse me", "Please", "Pardon Me"
- Avoids gossip

From the perspective of the **Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations**, a person with respect...

- Has a confident, positive sense of self and respect for the dignity and welfare of others
- Honours the rights, responsibilities and contributions of self and others
- Values and honours the important role of family in society
- Values the environment and uses resources wisely
- Honours the faith traditions, world religions and life journeys of all people of goodwill

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 2: Term 2 begins, Groundhog Day, Gino's Pizza fundraiser day

Feb 9: Gino's Pizza fundraiser day

Feb 14: Valentine's Day

Feb 15: Reports cards go home

Feb 16: Gino's Pizza fundraiser day

Feb 17: Parent Teacher Interview Evening

Feb 18: PD Day - reporting to parents

Feb 21: Family Day, Amazing Box of Cards fundraiser begins

Mar 1: Shrove Tuesday

Mar 2: Ash Wednesday

Mar 14-18: Spring Break

ADMINISTRATORS' MESSAGE

The Lenten season begins on March 2 with Ash Wednesday. The word Lent comes from the Latin word for springtime. During spring, daylight hours increase, trees begin to bud and flowers start to blossom. As nature literally "renews" itself, we too are asked to renew our hearts and repair our relationships with God and with each other. Please join us as we journey through Lent with reflection.

Lenten Prayer

Almighty and Everlasting God,
You have given the human race
Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility.
He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man
And giving His life on the Cross.
Help us to bear witness to You
By following His example of suffering
And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.

(James, A. (2020, February 26). 5 prayers you should say this Lenten Season - Easter / Lent News - Easter / Lent. Retrieved January 18, 2021, from <https://www.catholic.org/lent/story.php?id=73813>)

Principal
Mr. J. Amodeo

Vice Principal
Mrs. Marsi

MEDICAL ALERT - SABRINA'S LAW (ANAPHYLAXIS)

We would like to remind you that St. Evan Elementary is an allergen aware school. There are pupils in attendance who suffer from severe and life-threatening allergies to certain foods, such as dairy, peanut and nut products. Exposure to the smallest quantities can cause severe life-threatening reactions.

Anaphylaxis is a severe and life-threatening allergic reaction. The most common allergen triggers are food, insect stings, medications, exercise and latex. An anaphylactic reaction involves symptoms from two or more body systems. The safety and well-being of all of our students is a priority.

In order to ensure the safety and well-being of all pupils, we request that you NOT send any lunches or snacks that contain peanuts and/or tree nuts, including peanut butter substitute products. Please make sure that all of your children's caregivers are aware of the food restrictions. Please do not send food for birthday or special occasions. Additional allergy concerns in specific classrooms was shared by the classroom teacher.

If you have any questions, please talk to your child's teacher or the school staff. We appreciate your cooperation in supporting a safe learning environment for all pupils. For more information on possible allergens, please see our school website.

MEDICAL ALERT - RYAN'S LAW (ASTHMA)

We would like to remind you that St. Evan continues to participate in 'We Share the Air', a Scent Sensitivity Awareness Campaign. There are students in attendance who suffer from life-threatening asthmatic conditions to air pollutants. Exposure to minimal odours may cause potential life-threatening reactions.

Very common severe chemical triggers are: perfume, cologne, scented products and personal care products (such as hairspray). These products may cause severe reactions for students. The safety and well-being of all of our students is a priority.

In order to ensure the safety and well-being of all students, we request that our school community refrain from wearing scented personal products complying with our Scent Free Zone Campaign at school and all school events. Please ensure that all caregivers are also aware of our awareness campaign.

If you have any questions, please talk to your child's teacher or the school staff. We appreciate your cooperation in supporting a safe learning environment for all students.

FIRST TERM REPORT CARDS

Our First Term Report Cards will be sent home on Tuesday, February 15, 2022. The Report Card emphasizes and gives examples of the learning skills and work habits required to be successful in school and for the future. It has ample space for teachers to add meaningful, clear comments so that you can understand how your child is performing. The parent, teacher, student conferences are scheduled for the evening of Thursday, February 17 and during the day on Friday, February 18, 2022. The interviews serve as an important opportunity for teachers, parents, and students to discuss their child(ren)'s progress and next steps. You are encouraged to contact your child (ren)'s teacher at any time should you require clarification, or if you have questions or concerns about student progress.

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) will be providing students with their Term One report cards through their DPCDSB student email accounts from February 10-15, 2022. These email accounts can be accessed in the student's dashboard by visiting <https://students.dpccsb.org/>.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is Black History Month. Dufferin-Peel Schools have a long history of celebrating Black History Month with special events and activities held throughout the month of February. Throughout the month, St. Evan Catholic School will celebrate Black History month and the lives and contributions of famous Black Canadians through various activities in the classrooms.

PLANNING FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

We are in the process of planning staffing and organizing classes for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are planning on moving out of the St. Evan area, or simply changing addresses within our boundaries, please let the office know as soon as possible. Staff will be meeting in May to organize class lists for September 2022. If there are any special learning needs your child has that you feel we should know when making up classes, please do so in writing to Mr. Amodeo by April 22, 2022. Letters that list a request for a specific teacher will not be considered. Please limit comments to specific learning styles. Requests for your child to be placed with a "friend" will not be considered. If you feel your child has an ongoing conflict with another child, please write us a letter and we will do our best to separate them. All staff work hard to balance class lists by abilities and learning style. Requests for students not to be placed in a combined grade will not be considered.

GINO'S PIZZA NIGHT

The Catholic School Council has organized a Gino's Pizza Night fundraiser. On February 9 and 16, 2022. St. Evan will receive cash back on every order for a large three topping pizza that is placed with Gino's pizza on these days. This offer is for pickup and delivery (delivery fees may apply). Please make sure when you call to order, you tell them you are participating in the "Raise Some Dough" fundraiser for St. Evan.

Call 905 792-8880 to order.

Please see the attached flyer for further information.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

We ask that parents continue to support their children in their morning routines so that they can arrive to school on time or begin their online learning on time. This ensures that your child learns an essential life skill, participates in the entire school day, and that disruptions to the learning environment are minimal. Please note, the attendance line is open 24 hours a day to accept messages so you do not have to wait for the school to be open to report your child's absence.

LUNCH TIME PROCEDURES

Each child must bring a full lunch, personal water bottle and snacks every day. There will be no lunch programs or pizza days this year. Students will eat in their personal space in their classroom. A student can leave the school to go to only their home for lunch and return to school. Students will not be permitted to use the water fountains other than to fill their water bottles. If your child forgets his/her lunch, school staff will contact you to provide information regarding next steps. Thank you for helping us keep our students safe.

HEALTHY SCHOOLS

Hey Eagles! It's February and that means we launch another healthy school's initiative. Did you know that **February is Heart Month**? This is a time where we switch the focus to cardiovascular health.



Up first, **International Walk to School Week**. We are challenging our students and community to bundle up and walk to school. **Our Walk to School challenge runs from February 2nd- February 11th**. Every time your child walks to school they will have an opportunity to write their name on a ballot. That ballot then goes into the ballot box. We will be picking 5 winners on February 2nd and 5 more winners on February 11th. Thank you to all those who brave the cold winter days and walk to our school. This is one way to help your cardiovascular health!

Starting the week of 7th - we are encouraging all staff and students to increase their DPA times to ensure we are getting active EVERY. SINGLE. DAY with our **DPA Challenge**. Students will have opportunities to participate in a variety of BOKS Burst activities as well as OPHEA's fitness cards. These will be used in the classroom to promote movement breaks. How will you be showing your active side at home? Share your pictures with us on Twitter!

Now, a message from one of our Parent Representatives from our Healthy Parent Team:

Did you know:

Before you shower, try dry skin brushing your skin in the direction towards your heart in circular, soft, motions, using a loofah brush. Then, at the end of your hot shower, rinse for 30 seconds with cold water. This helps to drive more blood flow to your core to help support your vital organs such as your heart.

Thank you for supporting our Healthy Schools initiatives. Remember Eagles..."BEE Active, BEE Healthy, BEE Happy!"

FRESH AIR BREAKS & COLD WEATHER

As the weather changes and gets colder, please ensure that your child comes to school prepared to go outside for 20 minutes in the morning, lunch and afternoon for a fresh air break. All children should have a hat, scarf, gloves, warm coat and boots that are labeled with their name. In colder weather we often receive requests to allow children to remain indoors when students have a cold. Please note that we cannot comply, as we have neither the facilities, nor the staff to supervise these students. If you feel your child is not well enough to go outside, it would be best for you to keep your child at home. On extremely cold days, we will limit the amount of time that students spend outdoors. We obtain our weather information from the Environment Canada Weather Information Line and follow board guidelines.



LOST & FOUND

Students should regularly check the Lost & Found for missing items. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity.

REMINDER: FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY

Just a reminder that the Provincial Family Day holiday is on Monday, February 21, 2022. The school will be closed on this date. We hope you enjoy the day with your family!



TREATS IN THE CLASSROOM

Due to COVID 19 restrictions, parents are not able to bring any items into the school to be shared in the class for birthdays or other special occasions.

CUSTODY

On rare occasions, we are faced with difficult situations in which non-custodial parents arrive at school asking to visit their child or to take their child home after school. We are best able to serve and protect students when we are made aware of legal custody arrangements, visitation rights and other special instructions. If legal custody matters affect your family, please ensure that our office and classroom teachers are aware of custodial arrangements between parents that may affect your child during school hours.



There will be no school for students during the week of **March 14-18, 2022**

School will resume on Monday, March 21, 2022

TRANSPORTATION AND SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS

A decision to cancel school transportation, and/or to close schools due to inclement weather is usually made by 6:30 a.m. Bus or school cancellations during winter months are broadcast on various media outlets including the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Website and Twitter account. Please check the school board's transportation website, www.stopr.ca for the most up to date transportation information. Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) has established a new "weather zone" procedure for the purposes of monitoring and communicating school bus cancellations on inclement weather days. School Bus cancellation options include Zone #1, Zone #2, Zone #3. **Please note that our school is part of Weather Zone # 2.**

School Bus Cancellations will be communicated by "Weather Zone" through the STOPR website www.stopr.ca and the STOPR twitter account @STOPRinfo by 06:00 am each morning.

For more information on this new weather zone procedure please visit www.stopr.ca and click on the inclement weather tab and then click on STOPR0029 for further details.

Students who travel to school by bus **must** adhere to the rules for their own safety.

Students should be aware that transportation is a PRIVILEGE, which may be revoked for inappropriate conduct. All students who receive a Bus Discipline Form (pink slip) from the school bus driver will have a meeting with the Principal or Vice-Principal. The second "Bus Discipline Form" results in a phone call home to parents. A third "Bus Discipline Form" may result in a suspension of bus privileges. Students may be suspended from the bus immediately for serious offences. All students and parents must sign the School Bus Safety form and return this to school.

Parents of Kindergarten and Grade 1 children: Please note that bus drivers are not allowed to let Kindergarten and Grade 1 students off the bus, unless an adult is there to pick them up. Your child will be returned to the school in the event that an adult is not present at the stop, and will have to be picked up at the school.

For more information on the Student Transportation of Peel Region Policies and Procedures, please visit their website www.stopr.ca or call them at: 905-890-6000.

Please note that students are not permitted to travel on other students' school busses. Please ensure that if you need to pick up your child from school that you send a note with your child. Students are required to take the school bus home if notification from the parent is not received.

THE 2022-2023 EXTENDED FRENCH, GRADE 5, INFORMATION SESSION DETAILS & APPLICATION PROCESS

Grade 4 parents/guardians who wish to learn more about Extended French or wish to enroll their child in a Grade 5 Extended French program for September 2022, are invited to attend one of the following virtual information sessions:

DUFFERIN/CALEDON FEEDER SCHOOLS EXTENDED FRENCH SITE




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| Holy Family (Bolton) | • Holy Family |
| 61 Allan Drive | • St. Aidan (Caledon residence) |
| Bolton, L7E1P7 | • St. Cornelius |
| (905) 905-1300 | • St. Evan |
| EF Parent Info | • St. John the Baptist |
| Session: Tues., Feb. 8 | • St. John Paul II |
| @ 7:00pm | • St. Nicholas |
| | • St. Patrick |
| | • St. Rita (Caledon residence) |

Site Application Links will be made available online through the [DPCDSB Extended French Webpage](#) starting at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 16, 2022. The online application process involves the uploading of the two completed required documents (Extended French - Grade 5 Application Form 2022-2023 and a PDF copy of the Grade 4 Term 1 Student Report Card) and submitted to the appropriate [Extended French Site Application Link](#) by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2022. More information will be provided at the information sessions mentioned above.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

March 23, 2022 at 6:00pm



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Feb 9 & 16, 2022



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Campaign runs from February 21 to March 11, 2022



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