



# Father Michael Goetz Secondary School

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to the Goetz Community,

Last week, we held our Parent Teacher interviews. If you didn't get the opportunity to attend, please reach out to your child's teacher anytime. We believe that education is a partnership between, school, parent and student and that communication is key in ensuring your child's success.

What an eventful week ahead! Our Student Council has organized some festive Halloween activities for our entire student body including a classroom door decorating contest, Halloween civvies and a lunchtime Kahoot! As a reminder to all students, and for safety reasons, bracelets provided through home room classes must be visibly worn on civvies day, Tuesday October 31st.

On Wednesday November 1st, all Grade 9's across the province are encouraged to participate in the Take Your Kids to Work Program. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the world of work and try first-hand what a particular job or career environment feels like. Should your child not have a workplace to go to, we have provided them with some online resources and links that we have sent to your email addresses through school messenger so they can experience the world of work virtually.

We wish you all a wonderful week ahead and for students to continue to access our academic, emotional and faith supports that we have available while we approach mid-terms and the month of November. Have a great week!

*Ms. Allegratta*

A Message from Our Chaplaincy Leader...

Hello Gators,

This week we celebrate the Feast Days of All Saints and All Souls. On both these days, we remember and look upon all the holy women and men that have gone before us we give thanks to the many Saints in our lives today. This includes our spouses, children, teachers, mentors, spiritual leaders, etc.

On both the feasts of All Saints and All Souls, we are reminded by Pope Francis that we are all called to holiness; that we are blessed and proclaimed to us in the Gospel of Matthew from Jesus Himself, that we are all Saints. We are called to love, to serve, to be present! This is the true call to Sainthood, and this week we mark this remembering not only those who the Church has proclaimed to sainthood, but all of us who daily desire to bring about a world of authentic love, acceptance and compassion. As always, all staff and students are welcome to join us and participate in our call to serve at FMG. Have a great week Gators!

St. Andre Bessette, pray for us.

Mr. Minardi

**Costume ideas should avoid the following:**

(Please note that this is not an exhaustive list)

- Any cultural stereotype
- Blackface, Brownface
- The Covid-19 pandemic
- A person with differing abilities
- People with mental illness
- Body shaming
- Body objectification
- Animal cruelty
- Culturally specific references: e.g. Day of the Dead, Hula
- Differing lived realities e.g. homelessness, imprisonment
- Anything trivializing
- Anything mocking gender identity
- Anything transphobic
- Depictions of violence

**PHOTO DAY FOR ABSENT STUDENTS: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**



**WEDNESDAY NOV 1**



**VIRTUE OF THE MONTH EMPATHY**



**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE..**

**OCTOBER'S CIVVIES DAY IS MOVED TO TUESDAY OCTOBER 31**

**HALLOWEEN COSTUMES**

Equitable and Inclusive Education Best Practices

**Breakfast Club**



Monday Oct 30	Tuesday Oct 31	Wednesday Nov 1	Thursday Nov 2	Friday Nov 3
SB Basketball Practice 6:45 am	Hallowe'en Civvies	Take Our Kids to Work Day Grade 9's	JB Basketball Tryouts 6:45 am	Absentee Photo Day
Hallowe'en Door Decorating Contest Per 1	JB Basketball Tryouts 6:45 am	SB Basketball Practice 6:45 am	JB Volleyball Practice 7:00 am	SB Basketball Practice 6:45 am
Lunchtime Hallowe'en Kahoot Contests	Math Extra Help Rm 109 Ms. Regner 7:30 am	Math Extra Help Rm 111 Mr. Pastuszok 7:30 am	Grade 10 Retreat Street Patrol All Day	Catholic Leadership Formation Retreat
Math Extra Help Rm 108 Ms. Greer 2:30 pm	Math Extra Help Rm 110 Mr. Sze 2:30 pm	VG Flag Football Game 1:30 pm @ Pocock	Goetz Black Voices 2:30 Rm 250	Book Club 2:30 pm Library
VG Basketball Practice 2:30 pm	Yoga Club 2:30 pm Rm 240	Wellness Club 2:30 pm Library	Hispanos Goetz 2:30 pm Rm 245	JG Grade 9 Volleyball Tryouts 2:30 pm
Flag Football Practice 2:30 pm	Dance Club 2:30 pm Room 237	Math Extra Help Rm 115 Ms. Mathew 2:30 pm	Math Help/Club 2:30 pm Mr.Sze & Ms.G Rm113/117	SB Volleyball Game 3:00 pm @ Clarkson
JB Basketball Info Meeting Room 118	ICT SHSM Club 2:30 pm Room 255	DJ Club 2:30 pm Room 230	Model UN Club 2:30 pm Room 208	
SG Volleyball Tryouts	SB Volleyball Practice 2:30 pm	Campus Ministry Club 2:30 pm Chapel	JG Grade 10 Volleyball Tryouts 2:30 pm	
JB Volleyball game 3:30 pm @ Philopateer	Flag Football Practice 2:30 pm	SB Volleyball Game 3:30 pm v OLMC	VG Basketball Game @ RHAN 3:30 pm	
			SB Volleyball Game @ IONA 3:30 pm	



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