



Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

This Friday our students celebrated Halloween. Individual classes participated in a DPA dance as well as various classroom activities as part of our Halloween day. I hope you and your families have a safe and fun Halloween this evening. Please take an opportunity to review the information below for details on our upcoming week at Holy Spirit CES.

Our Lady of Grace Parish 75th Anniversary News

Our Lady of Grace Parish is inviting parish members to participate in a Parish Family Photo Album Program, as part of their 75th-anniversary celebration. Please see the letter attached in the email as well as the photo below for more details.

Treaty Week

The York Catholic District School Board celebrates Treaty Recognition Week, November 3-9, 2021. The YCDSB recognizes Treaty Recognition Week as part of our ongoing journey of healing and reconciliation. As we continue this journey together, we gratefully acknowledge that our York Catholic schools rest on the traditional territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island and The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations.

This week we will be sharing prayers and information during our morning announcements that express the voice of Indigenous peoples, so that we may be able to better understand the rich culture, wisdom, and the unique perspective they offer us.

Holy Spirit School Picture Day

On **Monday, November 8th, 2021**, our photography provider Lifetouch will be organizing our school photo day. Classes will be called down to the gym one at a time for students to take their individual photos.

Please note some of the protocols in place to protect staff and students:

- Photographers must complete and pass the YRPH screening tool before entering the school
- Photographers must wear masks and follow visitor protocols at the school
- Lifetouch will place markers on the floor in the gym indicating social distancing and will socially distance themselves from students at all times
- Students can take their mask off for their picture but are to wear their masks when waiting for their turn and after their picture when returning to their line
- No chairs or props will be used, photos are taken standing up
- Photographers are provided with a daily cleaning checklist of items to be sanitized at the beginning, during, and at the end of the day

Our remote students will be scheduled after school to take their individual photos and must pass their self-screening before entering the building.

We look forward to participating in our school photo day safely on November 8th, 2021.

Sacred Heart CHS iRAP Program

Sacred Heart's iRAP program (Regional Arts and Technology program) is open to grade 8 students throughout the region. Sacred Heart Catholic High School will be holding their virtual open house on Wednesday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm. If you are interested in learning more about the school and program, please visit the open house and refer to the information package sent earlier this week to our families of grade 8 students.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Virtual Open House

On Wednesday, November 24, 2021, St. Maximilian Kolbe has invited our Gr.8 students and parents to their virtual open house at 7:00 pm. For more information please visit the school board website: [YCDSB High School Virtual Open House Information](#)

Among Friends Before and After Care Program

Our before and after care provider is accepting new enrollment. Kindly visit their website at amongfriendschildcare.com to register or please call 905-552-0610 and speak to their registration team.

Extended Absence Form

As a friendly reminder, if families are planning to go on a vacation of 15 days or more, please notify your child's classroom teacher and the main office. An extended absence form must be completed as per the Ministry of Education's enrollment guidelines. We thank you for your cooperation.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

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75th Anniversary Photo Directory



To mark our

75th Anniversary Year

and in recognition of the beautiful renewal of our church, we are inviting all families in the parish to participate in the Parish Photo Directory.

Each family who participates will receive a **FREE 8x10** and **FREE Directory**.

First sessions are in November, and photos will be ready at the beginning of December for Christmas mailings and gifts!

Photography will take place downstairs in the Parish Hall and all COVID 19 Protocols and practices will be in place including full PPE for photographers, and sanitization between sessions.

Visit our parish website at olgraceau@archtoronto.org
And sign up today!