



Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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December 12th, 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

As we enter into the final week before our Christmas holidays, I'd like to take the opportunity to wish all of our families a safe and wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. The last day of school will be **Friday, December 17th, 2021**. We will be reopening on **Monday, January 3rd, 2022**.

We greatly appreciate the efforts of Fr. Frank, Fr. Arthur, and everyone at Our Lady of Grace Parish in celebrating Advent Mass with us this past Friday.

Please take an opportunity to review the images and information below for more details on our upcoming week and important school events taking place at Holy Spirit CES.

Advent Prayer

I would like to take the opportunity to share our Advent prayer. Please feel free to share this prayer with your family over the holidays as we continue our journey in Advent.

God's hope to direct me,
God's love to surround me,
God's joy to warm me,
God's peace to comfort me,
Bless our Advent journey to Christmas with light and patience.
Amen

Advent Liturgy

This Monday, December 13th at 10:10 am, our Grades 1 and 2 classes have prepared an Advent liturgy. If you would like to join us for the liturgy please visit this Livestream link: [Holy Spirit Advent Liturgy](#)

Luke 4:18 Spirit Week

This week students are invited to wear their favourite Christmas accessories and clothing all week. Reindeer antlers? Elf earmuffs? Red, White, Green or Purple clothing, socks, Christmas sweaters, headbands? Take your pick and wear them throughout the week.



Our Luke 4:18 has also planned a week- long bingo activity and door decorating contest for classes to participate in. Our door decorating will focus on New Year resolutions and messages of hope. We are looking forward to a holly, jolly Christmas spirit week as we look forward to the birth of Jesus.

Holiday Heroes Luke 4:18 Christmas Campaign



This Monday, December 13th, 2021, we will be collecting new and unwrapped clothing and toys for tweens ages 9 to 12 as discussed in our Holiday Heroes letter below. Donation boxes will be set up at all of our school entrances for students to drop them into before entering the building. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Music Class Videos Update (Kindergarten to Grade 3 Classes)

This Wednesday, December 15th, 2021, classroom teachers will begin posting their Christmas music video. We hope that you will enjoy the musical efforts of our students as they spread holiday cheer.

I would to thank the efforts of our students, classroom teachers, and our music teacher Ms. Frijio in preparing our Kindergarten to Grade 3 classes for their music video.

As a reminder, we ask that once the video is shared that parents do not take pictures or videos of the recording. To protect the privacy of all of our students no videos or pictures should be posted to any social media.

Kindergarten Registration for Next School Year

On January 3rd, 2022, Holy Spirit will begin accepting registrations for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year. Please review the flyer and information attached below if you are registering your child at our school next year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

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Dear Holy Spirit Families,

The Luke 4:18 Committee has chosen to support the Holiday Heroes campaign for our school Christmas initiative. Holiday Heroes is organized by the York Regional Police and is celebrating its 25th year of helping families in crisis and need within our community. All donations will help the families in our region. We have chosen to focus our support on children ages 9-12. This age group, also referred to as tweens, can often be overlooked during this holiday season.

Since many of our committee members are experienced tweens we have come up with a list of items that we would like as gifts. Please keep in mind that the campaign has asked for **new and unopened items to be donated**. To stay warm we like: **hats, mitts, and fuzzy socks**. To keep ourselves busy we like: **cards, puzzles, crafts, Lego, board games, and fidget toys**. These are some of our ideas, but please feel free to donate any new or unopened toy/item.

If you would like to participate in our Christmas initiative, you can bring one of these items to school on **Monday, December 13th**. There will be boxes set up in front of the school, at the side doors, and at the back so that your child can put the item in before they enter the school. Thank you for your support with this initiative.

Merry Christmas!

Luke 4:18 Committee



Kindergarten Registration

**Registration for the
2022-2023 school year begins
January 3, 2022**

Parents are invited to register online at:
www.ycdsb.ca/admissions

Following submission of an online registration, you will be asked to upload the following documents via a secure link:

- Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate (child or parent) or a Catholic Church in Communion with the Holy See of Rome
- Proof of age
- Proof of legal status in Canada
- Proof of residency
- Proof of Separate School Support (i.e. MPAC Assessment Notice), or you can complete a school support form that is included in the registration package.

JK: Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 2022 (born in 2018)

SK: Children must be 5 years old by Dec. 31, 2022 (born in 2017)

If your child is already attending a YCDSB school for JK registration is not required.

For information, contact the Admissions Department:



www.ycdsb.ca/admissions



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905-713-2711 or 416-221-5050

