



Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Happy Victoria Day long weekend. I hope you have had the opportunity to spend time with family and loved ones. Monday is a holiday and our school will be closed. We look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday, May 24th, 2022. Please see the information below for more details on our upcoming week at Holy Spirit.

Kaleidoscope in the School Program is Back

Kaleidoscope in the Schools (KITS) is a unique school-based program created by the Aurora Cultural Centre. This year, The Fitzgeralds will be visiting Holy Spirit. They will be presenting a live performance to our JK to Grade 4 students on Tuesday, May 24th in our gym. Our Grade 4 students will then participate in a special workshop with the group. We look forward to this unique opportunity and thank the Aurora Cultural Centre for their support. Please see the flyer below for more details.

Indoor/Outdoor Footwear

This is a friendly reminder that student indoor and outdoor footwear should be suitable for the playground, gymnasium and classroom. It is encouraged that students wear footwear that can help to reduce injury when engaged in activities throughout the school and that ensure ankle support. Thank you for your consideration.

Ice Dawg Update

An Ice Dawg day had previously been scheduled for Thursday, June 2nd, 2022. This is a PA Day for students and there will be no school. Please note that the Ice Dawg day will take place on Friday, June 3rd, 2022.

Holy Spirit Book Fair

Thank you for supporting our Virtual Book Fair. We hope that all of the books purchased will be loved and enjoyed by our students and families. We are already looking forward to next year's book fair.

EQAO Update

This year EQAO will take place for our Grade 3 and 6 students between June 6th and 17th, 2022.

Covid-19 Screening & Signing In

Any visitors who enters the school is expected to sign-in. Students, staff, and visitors are required to perform daily COVID-19 screening before arriving at school using the [Provincial Screening Tool](#). Anyone experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 must not attend school and should follow the guidance provided in the screening tool.

Twitter & School Website

For information, including the weekly parent updates, please visit our website at this link: [Holy Spirit School Website](#). You can also follow us on Twitter: **@HST_YCDSB**

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

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Upcoming Dates:

Monday, May 23rd	Victoria Day: School is Closed
Wednesday, May 25th	Pizza Hot Lunch
Friday, May 27th	Angel Delight Hot Lunch



Kaleidoscope in the Schools



The Fitzgeralds
are coming to Holy Spirit CES!

The Aurora Cultural Centre is pleased to present *The Fitzgeralds* on **Tuesday, May 24** in your child's school gymnasium. This performance is offered at no charge as part of the **Kaleidoscope in the Schools** program.

Meet *The Fitzgeralds* – a family group consisting of fiddling and step dancing sensations Tom, Kerry, and Julie Fitzgerald. Featuring 3-time Canadian Grandmaster Fiddle Champions and Ontario Open Step Dance Champions, this unique act features high-energy fiddling and mind-blowing step dancing. With roots in Canada's renowned Ottawa Valley, The Fitzgeralds have evolved to include a wide variety of material in their performances, including Celtic fiddle pieces and a strong focus on original compositions and arrangements. Their extensive tour history includes performances with notable artists; Natalie MacMaster, Ireland's Nathan Carter, Leahy, Tony McManus, Cherish the Ladies, The StepCrew, and Lunasa. It is the rare combination of exceptional musicianship, incomparable step dancing, audience interaction, evident love of performing, and genuine sibling connection that resonates with audiences of all ages and sets this group apart.

The Fitzgerald siblings were raised in a musical household and toured internationally with their family band "*Everything Fitz*". They were immersed in the rich tradition of Canadian Old Time fiddling and step dancing that evolved with the arrival of Irish, Scottish and French immigrants. Over time, they have developed their art form to include various styles of fiddle music including Celtic, jazz, bluegrass, French-Canadian, and pop. They have also explored other dance forms including tap and Irish. The siblings continue to push boundaries by fusing traditional and modern styles of fiddle and dance to create original tunes and arrangements, some of which were released on their latest album.

Your child's feedback is welcome and appreciated as we develop the **Kaleidoscope in the Schools** program. We invite you to share their impressions of the show, as well as any feedback you may have to: info@auroraculturalcentre.ca.

We're excited to share live performing arts with your child.

- Aurora Cultural Centre Team

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Kaleidoscope in the Schools (KITS) is a unique school-based program created by the Aurora Cultural Centre. The program elements include fully subsidized in-school performances and workshops by professional performing artists, as well as professional development resources to enable pre- and post-show activities. This fully-funded initiative will offer live performing arts to every publicly funded Aurora elementary school for all JK to grade four students. This program is generously supported by the Town of Aurora, Ontario Trillium Foundation, and private donors, including a major gift from Jan Oudenes and Isobel Ralston.

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