



Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

315 Stone Road, Aurora, ON L4G 6Y7
Telephone: (905) 713-6813 • Fax: (905) 713-6744

November 25th, 2022

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Thank you for your continued support of our Christmas Gift Bags for the Aurora Food Pantry. We are halfway to our goal of 150 gift bags to help support our community during the holidays!

We kindly remind parents that school begins at 8:25 am and it is important that the Safe Arrival system is used to notify the school if a student will be absent or late. Thank you for your continued support.

Please see the information below regarding the upcoming week at Holy Spirit.

The Advent Season Is Upon Us: Advent Mass

On the first Sunday of Advent, we begin our Church's liturgical year. The Advent wreath is a symbol of God's coming light in the world. The evergreen circle and four candles reflect the passage of the Advent season. Each of the four candles can be illuminated to represent a theme and a week in Advent. We look forward to celebrating together at our Advent Mass on Friday, Dec. 16th at 10:10 am in the gym.



Primary Christmas Concert: Save the Date

On Wednesday, December 21st at 12:30 pm our Kindergarten and Primary Divisions will be presenting our Holy Spirit Christmas Concert in the gym. An invitation will go out later this week for parents to RSVP. As space in the gym is limited, we kindly ask that a maximum of two to three family members attend. We look forward to celebrating the advent season in joyous songs with our parent community!

French Immersion Parent Information Night (SK Students)

A parent information night will be held on **Wednesday, November 30th, 2022**, at St. Joseph in Aurora for families of SK students who are interested in having their child attend its Grade 1 French Immersion Program next school year. Please see the invitation below for details.

Catholic School Council Milk & Cookies Evening at Santa's Workshop

On Wednesday, Dec. 7th, 2022 we invite our community to join our Catholic School Council at our annual Milk & Cookies Evening at Santa's Workshop. Students can dress in their favourite pajamas and participate in games, crafts, hot chocolate, cookies & milk, a picture with Santa, and story time with Mrs. Claus! Please note we encourage families to come together as there is no supervision for students. Please RSVP by using the invitation below that was sent home to families.

Spirit Wear Is Back

Our Online Spirit Wear Store is open until December 1st, 2022. For families who are interested in ordering Spirit Wear please visit https://stores.inksoft.com/holy_spirit/shop/home. This includes our Grade 8 students who wish to purchase a Grade 8 Grad Sweater.

EQAO Free Parent Webinar

Free Parent EQAO Webinar - November 28, 2022



Register for a free live webinar and learn about the EQAO Grade 3 and Grade 6 assessments and highlights from the 2021–2022 assessment results.

The live session will take place on **November 28, 2022, from 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm** followed by a Q&A with EQAO staff.

Registration: www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

anthony.modica@ycdsb.ca

Important Dates:

Monday, Nov. 28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Lunch: Delicious Greek
Tues. Nov. 29 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• St. Max CHS Open House 6:00 pm High Performance Athlete Presentation 7:00 pm Open House Presentation
Wed. Nov. 30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Lunch: Pizza Pizza• St. Joseph Aurora French Immersion Parent Info Night (7:00 pm)
Thurs. Dec. 1 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last Day to Order Spirit Wear & Gr. 8 Sweaters
Fri. Dec. 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Lunch: A & W



Please join us for

Milk & Cookies

At

Santa's Workshop

Holy Spirit Gymnasium

Wednesday December 7th 2022

6pm-8:30pm



Dress in your favourite Christmas PJ's

Games & Crafts

Pictures with Santa

Story Time With Mrs. Clause

Christmas Caroling

Coffee/Hot Cocoa

Cookies and Milk

vendors

Bring a new un-wrapped gift to enter a raffle

Please RSVP # of ppl attending by November 30th

of ppl attending _____





York Catholic District School Board

ST. JOSEPH, AURORA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN AURORA IS OFFERING FRENCH IMMERSION CLASSES

French Immersion programs are designed to provide non-francophone children with a high degree of proficiency in the French language. While any exposure to a second language is beneficial, French Immersion broadens and deepens that exposure.

St. Joseph Aurora CES. offers an Early French Immersion program. The September 2023 online application process for French Immersion will be open as of November 30th, 2022 for St. Joseph Aurora.

A parent information night will be held on **Wednesday, November 30, 2022**, to explain its Grade 1 French Immersion Program, with online application available after the school presentation at www.ycdsb.ca.

Transportation will be provided to French Immersion Students living within the St. Joseph Aurora CES. French Immersion Boundary.

- Students in grades 1 to grades 3, residing 1.2 km beyond the school and within the FI boundary will receive transportation.
- Students in grades 4 to grades 8, who live beyond 1.6 km and live within the French Immersion transportation boundary will receive transportation.

Students are required to walk a short distance to and from centralized bus stops.



PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Parents considering French Immersion are welcome to attend a meeting on:

**Wednesday, November 30, 2022
At 7:00 PM**

**Where: St. Joseph, Aurora CES
2 Glass Drive, Aurora**

**For more information, contact the
Principal of St. Joseph Aurora CES.
at 905-727-5782**



**ONLINE APPLICATION AVAILABLE
FROM NOV 30TH TO JAN 20TH AT
WWW.YCDSB.CA**

******PLEASE NOTE: IT IS CRITICAL THAT
PARENTS UNDERSTAND THAT ALL
STUDENTS EVEN IF IN ATTENDANCE AT AN
FI SCHOOL, MUST APPLY ONLINE TO
INDICATE INTEREST******

PLEASE NOTE:

Where the number of applicants exceeds the number of available placements in the program, a public lottery will be held on **January 26, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.** at St. Joseph Aurora CES.