

Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

A huge **THANK YOU** to our Holy Spirit community for your support of our Halloween Fundraiser. We look forward to providing a final total to our students upon our return to school. We have reached well over our \$10,000 goal and students can look forward to our raffle, as well as classroom and school-wide prizes which include an opportunity to SLIME THEIR PRINCIPAL! More details will follow in future communications to our families.

We continue to watch the news in hopes of an agreement between CUPE and the provincial government. Please check your email for the latest communication from the YCDSB. As stated in this evenings email to families, York Catholic will be moving to synchronous virtual learning beginning tomorrow. We ask for your patience and understanding as teachers move their lessons to the virtual environment. If your child will be absent, please ensure you submit the absence to our Safe Arrival System. We ask that students log into their first period Google Classroom at 8:25 am.

Finally, at this time, our Intermediate Boys Volleyball Tournament which was set for Monday will be rescheduled to a later date.

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

## Technology Support & Chromebook Survey

A separate Google Form has been sent to families who require a Chromebook for remote learning. Please complete the survey by 8:30 am. Once technology is available for pick-up an email will be sent to our school community.

For families who require technical support, including password resetting, please see the following link which includes a live chat option throughout the day Monday to Friday. <u>https://help.ycdsb.ca/vle/</u>

# Remembrance Day Liturgy & Poppy Donation

This Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> our Gr. 7's will be sharing a Remembrance Day Liturgy at 10:45 am. For information on how to donate to the Poppy Trust Fund please visit <u>https://legion.ca/donations</u>

## **SAIDAT visits Holy Spirit**

At this time, we are set to welcome the Saidat Show to Holy Spirit on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Please see the poster attached at the end of this communication for details on the assemblies.

## Luke 4:18 Winter Coat Drive

This week the Society of St. Vincent De Paul picked up our gently used winter clothing donations. Thank you to our community and the Luke 4:18 Committee for their support and efforts.



Our Luke 4:18 will also be collecting any extra peanut/nut safe candy/chocolate donations once schools reopen.

## Hot Lunch

If our school continues to remain closed, hot lunches will be cancelled and rescheduled to a later date. Information on rescheduled dates will be communicated to parents through email.

## EQAO Results

We are hopeful that this information will be available for parents soon. Once available we will be sending copies home with students. Thank you parents for your patience.

### Kindness Week: November 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>

Our Luke 4:18 committee continues to plan activities for our Kindness week which will take place from November 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Activities will include theme days so please check your email next week for details. Themes will include sports shirt/jersey day, PJ day, and more.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

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### Important Dates:

Monday, Nov. 7th	Remote Learning will begin if no
	agreement is reached
	<ul> <li>Hot Lunch will be rescheduled for any</li> </ul>
	missed days due to school closure

## The Saidat Show: Assembly Overview

#### THE SUPERPOWER OF KINDNESS: GRADES JK-3

MANY STUDENTS ARE EXCITED TO BE BACK IN SCHOOL, LEARNING AND GROWING ACADEMICALLY WITH THEIR FRIENDS, AND THERE IS AN ENERGY OF EXCITEMENT AND ANTICIPATION FOR A GREAT YEAR. WHAT BETTER WAY TO INCREASE THAT ENERGY AND OPTIMISM FOR LEARNING THAN BY CULTIVATING A CLIMATE OF KINDNESS AND RESPECT?

SAIDAT'S SHOW FOR GRADES JK-3, THE SUPERPOWER OF KINDNESS, WILL SHARE WAYS STUDENTS CAN SHOW EMPATHY, CELEBRATE DIVERSITY, AND FIND THE COURAGE TO ASK FOR HELP WHEN THEY ARE UNSURE HOW TO NAVIGATE BULLYING. IT WILL SURELY BE AN EXCITING AND POWERFUL SCHOOL CELEBRATION WITH HIGH-ENERGY SONGS, ENGAGING STORIES, AND GROUP PARTICIPATION.

#### **HOW TO SURVIVE SCHOOL - GRADES 4 - 8**

IF STUDENTS SPEND OVER 1200 HOURS A YEAR IN SCHOOL, WHY NOT TEACH THEM TO FIND REASONS TO LOVE BEING WHERE THEY ARE? SAIDAT'S SHOW HOW TO SURVIVE SCHOOL WILL INVITE STUDENTS TO LEARN THE LIFE HACK OF "MINDFULNESS" TO OVERCOME DIFFICULTIES THAT SCHOOL LIFE MAY PRESENT. THROUGH REAL-LIFE STORIES, MUSIC AND INTERACTIVE CONVERSATIONS, SAIDAT WILL ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO COLLECTIVELY FIND WAYS TO MOVE THEIR ENERGY BY CREATING A LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT NURTURES INCLUSION AND RESPECT.

#### ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD! WWW.SAIDAT.CA