



Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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January 20th, 2023

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Congratulations and thank you to our Boys and Girls Triple Ball Teams and coaches for their positive efforts in their respective tournaments this week. Also, I'd like to express my gratitude to our parent community for your support of the Popcorn and Ice Dawg snack program. This is a student-led initiative and funds will go to help support our Grade 8 overnight trip and graduation.

Please see the information below for other important information regarding our upcoming week at Holy Spirit CES.

Dental Screening at Holy Spirit

On Thursday, February 2nd, 2023 York Region will be conducting its annual dental screening at Holy Spirit CES. The dental screening will be conducted by a Registered Dental Hygienist for Grades JK, SK, 2, and 8. Students in Grades 4, 7 as well as others requested by parents/guardians may also be included. For more information, including how you can have your child opt out of the screening please see the parent letter sent out by email earlier this week.

Ukulele Kids

Ukulele Kids will be visiting Holy Spirit for a presentation to our Grade 1 to 3 classes on Tuesday, January 24th, 2023. This is a lunch-hour club that will run once a week. Please see the flyer and registration attached at the end of this communication for details.

Hot Lunch Update: Rescheduled Date for A & W

The hot lunch that was rescheduled for this **Thursday, January 19th, 2023** was cancelled due to inclement weather. A new date will be communicated to parents shortly.


Online Term 1 Report Card Access

Term 1 Report Cards will be available through the parent portal on **Wednesday, February 22nd, 2023** after 4:00 pm. To access this portal, please visit our school's website, and click on the parent's link in the top banner. From the Parents page, you will find a link to "Maplewood Parent Portal ConnectEd" on the right-hand side.

For detailed instructions on registering, using the portal, and to seek support, please visit the YCDSB Parent Portal at: <https://sites.google.com/ycdsb.ca/ycdsbparentportal>

EQAO Free Parent Webinar

This webinar is available to parents interested in learning about the Grade 3 and Grade 6 assessment as well as highlights from this year's results. Holy Spirit's results are available on our school website under our 'Parents' section.

Free Parent EQAO Webinar - February 22, 2023	
 <p>Education Quality and Accountability Office</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>The live session will take place on February 22, 2023, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm followed by a Q&A with EQAO staff.</p> <p>Registration: bit.ly/eqao-ycdsb-webinar</p>

Kindergarten Registration for the 2023-2024 School Year

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year began on January 9th, 2023. Please see the flyer below for more details.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

anthony.modica@ycdsb.ca

Important Dates:

Monday, Jan. 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hot Lunch: Delicious Greek
Wed. Jan. 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hot Lunch: Pizza Pizza
Fri. Jan. 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hot Lunch: A & W



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www.ukulelekids.org

Holy Spirit CES Ukulele Kids Club

START DATE: Thursday, February 2, 2023
END DATE: Thursday, April 13, 2023
NO CLASS: March Break)
TIME: 11:20 pm – 12:20 pm
DURATION: 10 weeks
ROOM LOCATION: TBA
PROGRAM OPEN TO: Grades 1 to 3

REGISTRATION: **MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE**
www.ukulelekids.org

COST:
Beginner: \$149.00 includes 10 lessons and a songbook.

ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE A UKULELE TO PARTICIPATE.
Ukuleles are available for purchase during registration for \$50.
Colours: Red, Blue, Green, Yellow, Pink, Purple, Orange, Brown

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER ONLINE
www.ukulelekids.org

PAYMENT OPTIONS: E-transfer, Cash, Cheque or Credit Card

After Monday January 30, 2023, we cannot guarantee ukulele colour choice and there will be a \$15.00 late registration fee.

If you need assistance registering, please call Linda Pfeifer at 416-831-939 or email us at linda@ukulelekids.ca

Online and in-home private lessons available for all instruments.
Register at www.ukulelekids.org

Ukulele Kids is a Canada Not-For-Profit Organization



Kindergarten Registration

Registration for the 2023-24 school year begins January 9, 2023

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

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- Province-leading academic results
- A caring, faith-filled community guided by Gospel values
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JK: Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 2023 (born in 2019)

SK: Children must be 5 years old by Dec. 31, 2023 (born in 2018)

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

