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Week of April 8th, 2024

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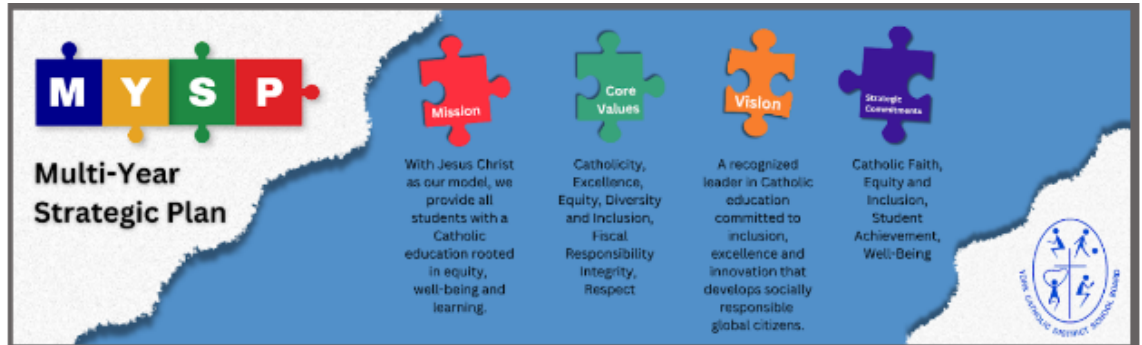
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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

A reminder that this upcoming Monday, April 8th, 2024 is the day of the solar eclipse. **Our morning routines will remain unchanged but all students will be dismissed at 11:55 am.** Transportation has been arranged for those who take the bus home. Please note that there will be no hot lunches on this day.

To report student absences and lates,

call 1-855-856-7862

or visit

go.schoolmessenger.ca

Our School Day:

8:10 - Supervision Begins

8:25 - Classes Begin

9:45-10:00 - AM Recess

11:20-12:20 - Lunch

1:40 - 1:55 -PM Recess

2:55 - End of Day

Please see the information below for details on our upcoming events at Holy Spirit.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal



OAPCE

OAPCE has released its March newsletter which contains faith resources you may be interested in learning more about. Please visit the link below for details:

[OAPCE Faith Resources](#)



EASTER MASS

On Wednesday, April 10th, 2024, at 10:15 a.m. we welcome Fr. Ravi for our Easter Mass. Parents are welcome to attend. There will be seating at the back of the gym. Thank you to our Grade 2 classes for organizing.



SACRAMENT LUNCHEON

On Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024 our Catholic School Council has arranged for a pizza lunch for all students who have received the Sacrament of First Communion (Gr. 2) and Confirmation (Grades 7/8). We thank them for organizing.



MENTAL HEALTH TOOLS

School Mental Health Ontario is a great website for students, parents, and staff. A great technique to strengthen mental health is using strategies to keep calm in stressful situations or to help us stay in a positive frame of mind. Belly Breathing is one of these techniques described in this poster. Check it out!



PERSEVERANCE ASSEMBLY

On Friday, April 5th we welcomed John Park for his presentation on the power of perseverance. Students learned about the importance of persevering through challenges to reach their goals in an entertaining presentation.



UKELELE KIDS

Our third and final session for Ukelele Kids will take place between April 11th and June 13th. Please see the information below on how to register before Monday, April 8th, 2024.

Holy Spirit CES Ukulele Kids Club

START DATE: Thursday, April 11, 2024
END DATE: Thursday, June 13, 2024
TIME: 11:20 am – 12:20 pm

DURATION: 10 weeks
ROOM LOCATION: TBA
PROGRAM OPEN TO: Grades 1 to 5

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 upon registration at a cost of \$60.
(Carry Bag, Picks with holder, Tax & delivery included on first day of class)

Colours: Red, Blue, Green, Yellow, Pink, Purple, Orange, Brown

Level 2: \$139.00 (already have a ukulele and songbook)

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER ONLINE
www.ukulelekids.org

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

After Monday April 8, 2024, 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 416-831-9939 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



The graphic features the Ukulele Kids logo (A Canada Not-For-Profit Corporation) and a central text box that reads: "The Ukulele Kids Formula for Fun: kids + bright coloured ukuleles + great songs = the best time ever learning a musical instrument!". To the right, a blue circle titled "Join the ukulele craze sweeping Great Britain, the U.S. and now Canada" lists reasons why the ukulele is popular: "easiest instrument in the world to learn", "children can sing and play at the same time", "great stepping stone to the guitar", "comes in bright cheery colours", "inexpensive and portable", and "simply fun!". The graphic also includes images of a red ukulele and a group of children playing ukuleles.

GRADE 8 GRADUATION PHOTOS

On Tuesday, April 16th, 2024 we welcome Brightpics back to Holy Spirit for our Grade 8 Graduation photos which will take place at 8:45 am in the library. See the poster below for details.

**YOUR GRADUATION
PHOTO DAY IS HERE!**

**TUESDAY,
APRIL 16, 2024**

Graduation gowns, props and school colours will be provided at your school on photo day.

We recommend all graduates wear a white collared shirt for the best results! Graduates may also like to wear a dark tie if they choose.

Don't forget to bring your best smile!

Questions? Email us at: orders@brightpics.ca

SCHOOL DAY IS HERE

We kindly ask all families to check their email for information on how to sign up for the School Day Cashless System.

SCHOOL-DAY IS COMING!

We're excited to announce that our school will be using School-Day for online cashless transactions and related communications.



School-Day can be accessed from any web-enabled device at school-day.com, and mobile users can find an enhanced version at school-day.app. With School-Day, you can:

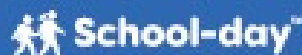
- View announcements, news, and school information
- Approve permission forms online
- Register your child for extracurricular events
- Make online payments

We look forward to using this new system with you, and we are certain that you will find the School-Day portal very useful.

More information about how to register will be provided in



SCHOOL-DAY.COM



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER UPDATE: FREE PIZZA DAY

On Tuesday, April 16th, 2024 we will be having our free pizza day for all students as part of our Halloween Fundraiser Prizes!

Students are still encouraged to bring their lunch on this day, as they will be receiving one free slice of Pizza from Pizza Nova.

Thank you for your hard work in bringing in pledges for our school!



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday, April 8th

Solar Eclipse: School Ends at 11:55 am
No Hot Lunches

Wednesday, April 10th

Easter Mass at 10:15 (In Gym)

Tuesday, April 16th

Grade 8 Graduation Photo Day
Halloween Fundraiser Prize: Free Pizza Day

Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024

Confirmation and First Communion Student Lunch (Gym)

Wednesday, April 24th

Oral Communications School Level Competition