



Sacred Heart School Happenings

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*Our school community strives to promote love and respect for God, self and others,
while fostering lifelong learning and celebrating Catholic faith, traditions and values.*

Principal: *Monique Van Alphen-Flear*
Office Administrator: *Rita Murray*
Parish Priest: *Father Van Duy Nguyen*

Director of Education: *Jamie McKinnon*
Superintendent: *Michael Bethune*
Trustee: *Bev Eckensweiler*

Gracious God, as summer begins to fade,
new possibilities lie on the horizon.

Bless all of those who are beginning
or returning to their roles as educators,
as well as those who lead and support them
in their efforts.

May this school year be a time of grace and potential
as they teach, share and challenge students
to grow in faith, knowledge and wisdom.

Bless children and youth, along with their parents,
as they begin a new school year.

May their minds be open to learning and to the wonder of
discovery and insight.

Be with us all as we embark on this new year.

Amen

Virtue of the Month:

Respect/Reverence



Respect is an attitude of caring about people and treating them with dignity. Respect is valuing ourselves and others. We show respect by speaking and acting with courtesy. When we are respectful we treat others as we want to be treated. Respect includes honouring the rules of our family or school, which make life more orderly and peaceful. It is knowing that every man, woman and child deserves respect, including you. (The Virtues Project, p. 215)

Principal's Message

Welcome to another school year! 2015-2016 promises to be an exciting year! The Sacred Heart staff has been working hard to prepare classes and programs for our students and are eager to begin working with students and parents in providing a quality education founded on the Gospel values. I would like to thank our staff and community for all of the help and support that we've received with our transition to one school. I'm looking forward to working with the Sacred Heart School Community to provide a successful and rewarding school year. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions and concerns. monique_vanalphen-flear@bgcdsb.org

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

Wednesday, September 23

Reminder notifications will be sent home.

All proofs will be back in the first week of October.

Retakes will be scheduled for late October/early November.

Parents are welcome to come and check the picture taken, to ensure a quality shot. Scott, our photographer, does take his time and always strives to get the best picture possible.

Our 2015-2016 staff is as follows:

Kindergarten - Mrs. Weltz & Mrs. Lorentz
RECE - Mrs. Watson & Miss Schnurr
Gr. 1/2 - Ms. Flynn (Ms. Nadeau-Jan 1st)
Gr. 2/3 - Mrs. Liesemer
Gr. 4/5 - Ms. Hallahan
Gr. 6/7 - Mrs. Kadlecik
Gr. 7/8 - Miss Kroeplin
Educational Assistants - Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Kreller,
Ms. Metcalfe, Mrs. Huber
Core French - Mlle. Boyle
Resource/Instructional Coach - Mrs. Boerkamp
Resource - Mrs. Brigden
Reading Recovery/Prep Coverage - Mrs. Reidy
Librarian - Mrs. Reay
Head Custodian - Mrs. Lantz
Office Manager - Mrs. Murray
Principal - Mrs. Van Alphen-Flear

LET'S LEARN CLINIC FOR 2015

In October we will be having our annual clinic to register students for September 2016. This clinic is for all children eligible to attend and can be used to help you see how ready your child may or may not be.

It can be very useful to hear what the assessment people have to say about your child's development so far and in speaking with staff you may feel more willing to send your child to school for JK. The government is moving in this direction and has acknowledged the vital role early support and learning for children is.

So if you have a child ready to attend in September 2016, please consider attending our clinic which is set for:

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

Please call to book an appointment for this event. The clinic runs from 3:30 PM to 6:00PM.



SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE:

8:25 am - Yard Supervision Begins/Breakfast
8:45 am - Entry Bell
8:50 - Announcements/ Prayer /O Canada
8:50-10:50 - Class Time
Healthy Snack
10:50- 11:20 - Recess
11:20-11:35 - Nutrition Break
11:35-1:15 - Class Time
1:15-1:45 - Recess
1:45-2:00 - Nutrition Break
2:00-3:20 - Class Time
3:20- Full Dismissal
Walkers and Bikers leave at 3:20
Buses leave between 3:35 and 3:45

SAFE ARRIVAL PROGRAM

As mandated by the Ministry of Education, Sacred Heart School has a Safe Arrival Program in place.



We ask that you please call our school (367-2685) before 9:00 a.m. to notify us if your child will be absent from school.

Please note that you may leave a message at anytime of the day. The messages will be checked by office staff prior to the start of the school day. When leaving a message please leave the child's name, and specific reason for absence (we must inform Public Health of the reason for absence). If we do not receive a call from you by 9:00 a.m., office staff will do the following:

- 1. Call your home phone number to ensure your child is safe.
- 2. If the office staff is unable to reach you at home, cell numbers, work or emergency numbers (that you must provide) will be called.
- 3. If the student still cannot be located, the police will be notified.

We must ensure the safety and well being of our students. Thank you for your cooperation.



Breakfast Program ~ Sacred Heart School will be starting a Breakfast Program this year. The Breakfast Program is open to all students and will welcome our students between 8:25 and 8:45. We will be focusing on providing healthy food choices in order to allow all of our students to enter their classrooms ready to learn. Some children haven't been able to have breakfast for a variety of reasons: they may not be ready to eat when they first wake up, food may not be available, some children have a very early start to the day and a long bus ride, some just need to be topped up with a quick bite. We will be starting out with some basic options and will grow the program from there. We will be asking for volunteers to help out with this very worthwhile opportunity for our students. We are also blessed to be able to offer our students a healthy snack through the generosity and enthusiasm of our parent and community volunteers. We are grateful to be able to access grant money through the Ontario Student Nutrition Program in order to offer healthy food choices to the kids. We will be holding fundraisers to assist with financing this program and will always welcome any monetary donations (receipts provided) that families are able to supply.

Welcome Back!

