

St. Charles Catholic School



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SCHOOL HOURS

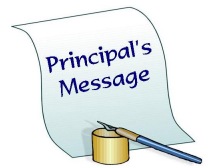
8:30 am	Supervision
8:45 am	Entry Bell
10:45 - 11:05	Nutrition Break
11:05 - 11:25	AM Recess
1:05 - 1:25	Lunch
1:25 - 1:45	PM Recess
3:05 pm	Dismissal

A Prayer for Lent

Loving God,
 During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.
 Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude,
 so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.
 Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul
 and remind me of the grace of simplicity.
 Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and in doing so,
 re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.
 May this season be a grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you.
 ~ Amen.

Principal's Message:

During the season of Lent we will take this opportunity to help students deepen their relationship with God and our neighbours. Students have been encouraged to think about what they are going to give up, or what they are going to do to strengthen their relationship with Christ.



I would like to express my congratulations to the students in grade seven who received the sacrament of Confirmation in February. May the power and love of the Holy Spirit be always upon all of you. Congratulations!

As we are approaching the March Break I would also like to wish all of our families a happy, restful and safe break.

Yours in Christ,
 Ms. Cassandra Medve-Racine

Important Dates

& Events

Feb 28	Shrove Tuesday - Pancakes from CSCC
Feb 28	Gr. 8 Students at Tiger Day - Holy Trinity
Mar 1	Ash Wednesday - Liturgy @ 10am in School Gym
Mar 2	CSCC Meeting @ 6pm - School Library
Mar 7	Gr. 1-3 Fire Safety
Mar 7	Gr. 5 DARE
Mar 8	Gr. 3/4 Visit to the Dentist
Mar 13-17	March Break!
Mar 21	Gr. 5 DARE
Mar 28	Choir Singing at the Danube Centre
April 3	Lenten School Mass @ Holy Martyrs of Japan
April 4	Gr. 3 - 8 Classes @ Marlies Games

Kindergarten Registration:

Starting Kindergarten is an exciting and special time for parents and children. Our entire Catholic school community looks forward to welcoming our youngest students as they begin a lifelong journey of faith-filled learning. We believe there is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. By choosing a faith-filled education, we know you will share that belief with us.



If your family or a family you know have children who will be 4 years old by December 31st 2017, these children are eligible to register for junior kindergarten. Simply contact the school office or stop by anytime to pick up a registration package. A kindergarten information session has been scheduled for 6pm on Thursday May 4th in the school library.

Electronic Communication Tools:

There are different ways to stay informed about the exciting events happening in and around SCH:

1. Sign up for eNewsletter

If you are not currently receiving our eNewsletters please sign up by visiting our website <http://sch.schools.smcdsb.on.ca/> and clicking on



then clicking the "Subscribe" button.

2. Follow us on Twitter

Follow us @SMCDsb_SCH to stay informed about upcoming events and interesting information about teaching and learning.

3. Sign up for Remind

Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps schools and classes share quick, important updates and reminders with students & parents. All personal information is kept private.

To receive messages via text:

Enter this number:
(705)243-4392

Text this message:

@stchar

Dressing For Winter & Inclement Weather:



Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather conditions throughout the day. Hat, mitts or gloves, snow pants and boots are necessary. Please label all clothing items. Students will be outside for recess during the winter months as weather permits - please always send your child to school dressed for outdoor recess.

Bus cancellation announcements can be heard on our local radio station or viewed on our board website at www.smcdsb.on.ca or www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca. We are in the South Weather Zone. In the event that the buses are cancelled, the school is open for student drop off at 8:30 am in the main foyer and students must be picked up at dismissal no later than 3:05 pm as buses will not be running in the afternoon. Please note that your child will require a lunch on all inclement weather days as food orders are cancelled and re-scheduled for the following school day.

School Council

Spring is all most here! Watch your child's school bag for our major fundraiser; through QSP we will be selling cookie dough and many other items. Order forms will be going home before Easter.



Education Quality and Accountability Office



Students in grades 3 & 6 will participate in the provincial assessment of reading, writing and mathematics. If your child is in grade 3 or 6 please do not plan any appointments or absences from May 25 - June 5, as this is the assessment writing window.

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Dropping Students Off Before School

Parents needing to drive students to school are able to use the front driveway as a "kiss and ride" between 8:40 and 8:45.

A reminder that vehicles will only be granted access to the driveway once all three school buses have departed. There will be a staff member at the front to help students out of the vehicle and walk safely to their perspective yard; parents are asked to remain in the car to keep the flow of traffic moving.

Unfortunately, if cars are in the driveway ahead of and holding up busses, we will have to close the driveway before school to all vehicles other than buses. Please do your best to wait until 8:40am or later to drop off students.



SCH Yearbooks!

We will be selling yearbooks at St. Charles for the very first time! Within each yearbook you will find students' individual photos and photos from special events in each class and in the school. You will also find team and club photos. The cover art for the yearbook will also come from one our very own students! Yearbooks will sell for \$25 each, stay tuned for more information and order forms!

Parish News PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION



Our **Parish Lenten Reconciliation** will be held on Thursday March 30, 2017 at 7:00pm. Multilingual priests will be available to hear confessions. **Archdiocesan Lenten Day of Confession** will be held on Friday March 31, 2017 between 12-2pm and again at 4:00-6:30pm.

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT - FREE

Movie: The Miracle of our lady of Fatima

On **Saturday March 25, 2017 at 6:30pm Sharp to 8:00pm** we will be hosting a movie night in honor of our Lady of Fatima called "The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima." ALL ARE WELCOME! Light snacks and refreshments will be provided for a \$2.00 donation to help offset the cost of future Parish Movie Nights. Come see what our Holy Mother revealed to the three children and to the rest of the world.