

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

Family Day Prayer

Loving Creator, author of life,
we thank you for our special role in family life and for the gift we share with you in creating others
in your own image and likeness.
Life is so precious and so beautiful, mingling souls
in so many mysterious and satisfying ways.
May our human love and friendship reflect your own divine love.
May our children and we be committed to being fully alive to your call and challenge, ever growing
in discipleship and friendship with Jesus,
who alone is the way, the truth, and the life.
May we praise you always.
May we, without seeming to preach, teach you to our children and to others,
not so much by our words as by our example.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
~ Amen

Principal's Message:

The New Year is well underway and despite the winter weather, both staff and students have been busy working on accomplishing their goals. The first term reports will be coming home on February 21st, 2018. It is important to note that this report card represents all of the learning that has taken place since September. It will outline specifically how your child has met the curriculum expectations and his/her next steps for learning.



This month we also celebrate Family Day on February 19th. Families are a wonderful sign of God's presence and love. I would like to wish all of our families a happy, restful and safe Family Day.

Yours in Christ,
~ Ms. Cassandra Medve-Racine

Shrove Tuesday - February 13th

Our CSCC will be serving pancakes to all students on Shrove Tuesday. If you have a criminal background check on file and would like to volunteer to help cook and serve these delicious treats, please contact the school office.



Important Dates

& Events

Feb 1	School Movie Night
Feb 2	PA Day - no school for students
Feb 7	Gr. 5 DARE
Feb 13	Shrove Tuesday
Feb 14	Ash Wednesday - Liturgy at School - Time TBD
Feb 14	Gr. 5 DARE
Feb 19	Family Day - Schools are closed
Feb 21	Intermediate Boys & Girls Basketball Tournament
Feb 21	Report Cards go home
Feb 21	Gr. 5 DARE
Feb 22	Alternate Date - Intermediate Boys & Girls Basketball Tournament
Feb 28	Gr. 5 DARE
Mar 1	CSCC Meeting @ 6pm - School Library
Mar 7	Gr. 5 DARE
Mar 12-16	March Break!

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, text @stchar to (705) 243-4392 .

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 drop off at 8:30 am in the main foyer and students must be picked up by dismissal at 3:05 pm. Please note that your child will require a lunch on inclement weather days as food orders are cancelled and re-scheduled for the following school day.

Catholic School Community Council:

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday March 1st, at 6:00 p.m.** in the school library. We hope to see you there. Please note you can access all CSCC meeting minutes on the school website.

P.A. Day on Fri. Feb. 2:

A friendly reminder that Friday Feb 2, 2018 is a P.A. Day. Classes will resume on Monday Feb 5.



When picking up students early...

When picking up students during the school day, parents are reminded that they are to come directly to the school office; please do NOT stop at classrooms. Parents are also asked to remain in the office until the students has arrived.



Parking Lot Safety

In order to keep our students safe, a reminder to all parents that the north parking lot is open before school for Kindergarten students only. Kindergarten parents are reminded to pull completely into a parking spot, turn off the car and proceed to walk the kindergarten student to the yard. Cars are not to be left idling while unattended.

We respectfully ask that all other parents drop off students along the east side of Simcoe Road and students can then walk onto school property. There is also a lay-by in front of the school that holds 3-4 vehicles. Parking is permitted on the east side of Simcoe Rd. at the beginning and end of the day to allow for safe drop-off and pick up.

Safety is our top priority, the driveway will have to be closed to all parents if these precautions cannot be met.

Morning Supervision

Please note that outside supervision begins at 8:30am. Please do not drop students off at school prior to this time.

If students are too ill to go outside for recess, we recommend that they stay home from school. We do not have the space or personnel to supervise students inside due to illness during outdoor recess. Keeping students home until they are well reduces the spread of germs during cold and flu season.



Welcome to Kindergarten!

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 share that belief with us.

All the Information You Need

To help parents and students get ready for this important milestone, our board has developed an award-winning package. We encourage parents who are looking to register their child for Kindergarten to drop by the office to pick up their Welcome Bag and Kindergarten information package. You can also find all of the information on our board's website at www.smcdsb.on.ca

First Rider Program

Riding a school bus is a new experience for many children. To help your child get ready, the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium offers a First Rider program for Kindergarten students who will be taking the school bus. Students and parents will be able to participate in a one-hour session, which includes a short school bus ride to practice safe boarding and exiting as well as bus riding procedures. The sessions will take place in August and details can be found at simcoecountyschoolbus.ca

English as a Second Language (ESL)

We have resources and information available for families whose first language is not English. Please inquire about the ESL version of our Kindergarten information package.

We are here to answer questions and help you prepare. Please contact us at 905-775-6762 for more information.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION at ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Registration for full day kindergarten is now taking place for the 2018-2019 school year. Your child must be 4 years of age by December 31st, 2018 to start junior kindergarten and 5 years of age by December 31st, 2018 for senior kindergarten. Students who already attend junior kindergarten this current year do not need to re-register for senior kindergarten.

Registration forms are available in the office and you are welcome to pick up a package for your child during the school hours.

You will require the following documents for your child for registration:

- Proof of age (birth certificate)
- Parent or child's Roman Catholic baptismal certificate
- Updated vaccination records/Contentious Objector Form and Health Card
- Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status
- Proof of address

PARENT KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT:

Thursday May 3, at 6 pm

Ready Set **Go!**

