

St. Charles Catholic School



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SCHOOL HOURS

8:40 am	Supervision Begins
8:55 am	Entry Bell
10:55 - 11:10	AM Recess
11:50 - 12:10	Lunch
12:10 - 12:50	Recess
2:10- 2:25	PM Recess
3:25 pm	Dismissal

Springtime Prayer

Let us praise God who awakens the world in the glorious springtime.
All the earth is alive with the wonders of God's creation.
We gather in praise and thanksgiving during this Easter time.
We thank you God for the new life that surrounds us.
May we all be awakened by the wonder of creation and the joy of the resurrection.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Saviour.
~ Amen.

Principal's Message:

It's hard to believe that Spring has officially sprung! We were sad to say good-bye to our visitors from St. Marie of the Incarnation as they returned to their home school over the March Break. I am extremely proud of our students and community for the warm way in which they welcomed our visitors, and friends.



We have settled back into routine following the March and Easter breaks. Students are busy learning and growing daily. In the month of April we celebrate Earth Day, recognizing the gift of God's creation and our call to be stewards of the earth. I encourage all students and their families to take some time to care for our neighborhoods and parks this month.

Yours in Christ,
Ms. Cassandra Medve-Racine

A Very Special Thank You!

A very special thank you to all of the students and families of St. Charles and St. Marie of the Incarnation school for raising over \$2000. Monies raised are being donated to a parent in our school community to receive cancer treatments not covered by OHIP.



Important Dates & Events

April 1	Gr. 5 DARE
April 5	Gr. 2 Seder Meal with Sister Jean
April 6	Father Boniface Visit
April 6	French Concert!
April 7	Dental Screening (More information to come)
April 7	Officer Elisabeth visit to Gr. 8 students
April 8	PA Day (No School)
April 15	Easter Liturgy in school gym @ 9:15am
April 15	Gr. 5 DARE
April 15	Fundraising Orders Due
April 18	CSCC Meeting @ 6pm in School Library
April 19	Gr. 1-3 Fire Prevention Presentation
April 19	Gr. 5/6 Silver Birch Author Visit
April 22	Gr. 5 DARE
April 22	Earth Day
April 28	Officer Elisabeth visit to Gr. 8 students
April 29	Gr. 5 DARE
May 2 - 5	Catholic Education Week
May 4	Gr. 7 & 8 Vaccination Clinic
May 4	Father Boniface Visit
May 4	Feeder School Dance @ Holy Trinity
May 5	Gr. 5 DARE
May 6	PA Day (No School)
May 10	Kindergarten Information Night @ 6pm - 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

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3. Sign up for Remind

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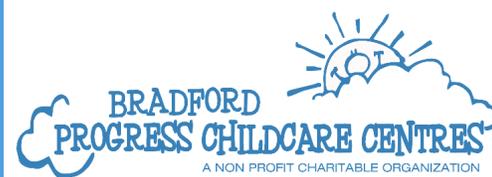
Text this message:
@stchar

Bradford Progress Child Care Centre is currently offering an after school program at St. Charles. This program is available for children in Kindergarten to grade 6 children. The program operates until 6:00 pm each evening. If there is a need we will operate a before school program and can open as early as 6:30 am. A light snack is provided daily. For more information please contact Melissa Genik (site supervisor) at 647- 393-6014.

PA day, March Break and Christmas break care are provided at Mother Teresa or St. Angela. Our summer program is currently available to the community with limited space available. Please visit our web site at www.bradfordprogresschildcare.ca for more information.

Daily Fee schedule:

Before and After care	\$18.50
Before Care	9.25
After Care	\$13.50
PA day	33.50



School Council

Thanks to all families for participating in our Spring QSP Fundraiser! Monies raised will go toward outdoor play equipment such as basketballs, soccer balls etc. We also hope to refresh the sandbox, pavement paint and add to our literacy resources.

We ask that all orders are returned to the school by April 15h. Thank you so much for your ongoing support!

Our next CSCC Meeting will take place on Monday April 18 @ 6pm in the school library. All are welcomed to attend.

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 26 – June 8, as this is the assessment writing window.

Roadwork on Simcoe Road:

The town of Bradford has begun roadwork in the area, and will soon begin construction on Simcoe Road. This work is "Road Urbanization" and will include:



"Installation of new curb, sidewalk, multi-use trail, street lighting, storm drainage improvements, twin Sanitary force mains, watermain, gravity sanitary sewer, storm sewer and pumping station."

Traffic in front of the school will be affected, as at times the road will be reduced to one lane. There is no parking along Simcoe Road, added to construction, it may be increasingly challenging to drive students to school and walk them onto the school grounds.

Parents are strongly encouraged to have their child(ren) use the busing provided, as there may be delays in accessing the school driveway before and after school due to lane closures and/or restrictions.

During construction, those needing to drive students to school will be able to use the front driveway as a "kiss and ride" between 8:45 and 8:55. Vehicles will 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.

We will continue the series of announcements at school communicating the importance of students staying safely away from all construction equipment. Please reinforce this message at home in order to keep all students safe.

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 2016, 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 Tuesday May 10th in the school library.