

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

A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God this summer in whatever you do and wherever you go.

Walking with God means...Walking with honesty and with courage,
Walking with love and respect and concern for the feelings of others.

May you talk to God this summer, every day and in every situation.

Talking with God means...Praying words of praise for the beauty of creation,
Saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times, asking God's help in all your decisions,
and expressing sorrow when you have failed

May you talk with God

Every day.

~ Amen.

Principal's Message:

It's hard to believe that the year is winding down and we are turning our thoughts to the long days of summer. Before the summer holidays begin, we have 4 weeks of learning and events that will bring this wonderful school year to a close! I want to sincerely thank everyone for their dedication and support throughout the year. We truly are the "Small But Mighty" St. Charles and I am very proud of all that the students, staff and community have accomplished together this year.

Yours in Catholic Education,
Ms. Cassandra Medve-Racine



Supporting Fort McMurray:

The "Small But Mighty" St. Charles is at it again! Thanks to the commitment and generous donations of our students and their families, SCH raised \$303 for those affected by the fires in Fort McMurray! Way to go Crusaders!

P.A. Day on Friday June 3:

A friendly reminder that Friday June 3, 2016 is a P.A. Day. Classes will resume on Monday June 6.



School Council

Thanks to all families for participating in our Spring QSP Fundraiser! The "Small But Mighty" St. Charles raised

\$1228.90 - way to go Crusaders! Soccer balls, footballs, basketballs, "Reaction Balls", and pylons for outside play have been purchased with some of the monies raised.

Our final CSCC Meeting of the year will take place on Thursday June 9 @ 6pm in the school library. All are welcomed to attend.

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 smcdsb.on.ca/sch and clicking on the "E-NEWSLETTER" button in the Quick Links section 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

September 2016 - Balanced Day:

Beginning September 2016, our school day schedule will change to a Balanced School Day. The Balanced Day schedule divides the school day into three significant learning blocks: 120 minutes, 100 minutes and 80 minutes. Two longer nutrition and activity breaks are provided; one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Nutrition breaks provide 20 minutes for eating and 20 minutes for activity. The rationale behind the Balanced School Day is that it will improve academic achievement by increasing time on-task in the classroom setting. The benefits of the Balanced School Day are three-fold: academic, nutrition and physical activity.

Academic:

- More instruction and exploration time with less interruption allows teaching and learning to occur at an optimum level.

Nutrition:

- Research indicates that children need frequent food breaks during the day, this schedule provides two opportunities for students to consume nutritious food rather than eating on the run at recess.
- Students who are nutritionally satisfied can concentrate better and more effectively.

Physical Activity:

- Allows students 2 opportunities of 20 minutes of uninterrupted play each day.
- Quality exercise time energizes students, helps them to concentrate on school work and promotes a healthy lifestyle.

Beginning September 2016, our school day schedule will be as follows:

8:30 am	Yard Supervision Begins
8:45 am	Entry Bell
8:50 am	Classes Begin
10:45 am - 11:05 am	Nutrition Break (Snack)
11:05 am - 11:25 am	Morning Recess
1:05 pm - 1:25 pm	Nutrition Break (Lunch)
1:25 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch Recess
3:05 pm	Dismissal

Due to the change in our schedule, bus pick-up and drop-off times will change as well. Later in June you will receive a notification regarding the new bus times beginning in September.

Dressing for the Warm Weather:

With the warmer weather, students will be wanting to wear clothing that will offer some relief from the heat. Students are reminded to follow our Dress Code Policy when selecting outfits and footwear. The following are excerpts from the policy that we follow:

- pants/shorts/skirts must fit at the waist, and be worn at the waist
- shorts or skirts must be at least mid-thigh in length
- no spaghetti straps, midriff exposing or backless tops, muscle, halter or tube tops
- no clothing exposing undergarments

Appropriate dress attire is a positive reflection of our school community to our community at large. Thank you for helping us maintain a respectful learning environment.



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.

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



Important Dates & Events

May 30 - June 1 Gr. 7 & 8 Trip to Camp Onondaga
 May 30 - June 2 Gr. 3 & 6 Students Writing EQAO
 June 1 Gr. 7 & 8 Students return from
 June 3 PA Day - no school
 June 6 Gr. 4 & 5 Swim At School
 June 9 Holy Trinity Band Performance @ 9:30am (School Gym)
 June 9 Catholic School Community Council Meeting @ 6pm
 June 13 Earth Rangers Presentation @ 9:30am (School Gym)
 June 13 Gr. 4 & 5 Swim At School
 June 13 Gr. 3 Swim To Survive
 June 14 Final Mass @ 10am
 June 16 Water Safety Presentation @ 12:50 pm (School Gym)
 June 20 Gr. 4 & 5 Swim At School
 June 20 Gr. 3 Swim To Survive
 June 22 Father Boniface Visit
 June 23 Graduation Mass @ 6:30pm (Holy Martyrs of Japan)
 June 27 Gr. 4 & 5 Swim At School
 June 27 Gr. 3 Swim To Survive
 June 28 Report Cards go home
 June 29 Last day of school!
 June 30 PA Day

Children's Liturgy Program:

The Children's Liturgy program at Holy Martyrs of Japan parish is seeking volunteers to begin in September. Your volunteer commitment will be approximately 20-30 minutes during 10:00 a.m. mass every six weeks or so and about 1/2 hour to prepare using the available workbook.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact the parish office at [905-775-2065](tel:905-775-2065) or call Lorraine Frank at [905 775-7833](tel:905-775-7833).



Attention Grade 1 to 3 Parents!

It's time to update your child's immunization record. You must update the health unit any time your child receives a new immunization. **If your child is not immunized, you will need to provide the health unit with a medical exemption or affidavit to keep on file.**

Before going off on summer holidays, take a few moments to make sure your child's record is up to date. Here's how:

1. Check: Your child's yellow immunization card.
2. Contact: Your child's family physician or health-care provider to obtain records, or to get missing vaccinations.
3. Share: Visit the health unit's website and use a secure online form immsonline to enter their complete record, or Fax a completed record to [705-726-3962](tel:705-726-3962).

Every student in Simcoe County and Muskoka must have an up to date immunization record (or medical exemption/affidavit) on file at the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit - it's the law. For more information, or to speak with a nurse on the health unit's immunization team, call [705-721-7520](tel:705-721-7520) or [1-877-721-7520](tel:1-877-721-7520).

