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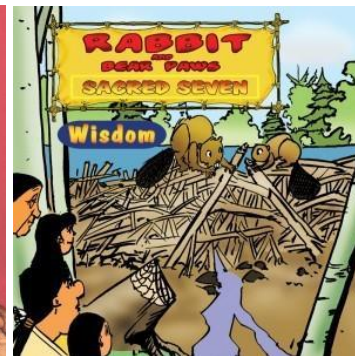
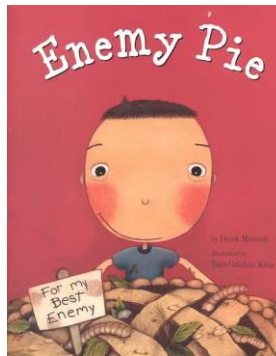
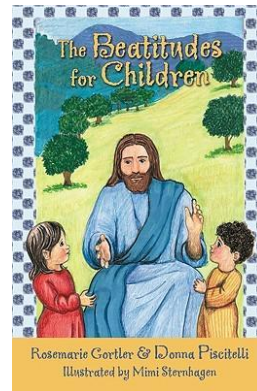
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Be the Attitude of Jesus while living as Joyful Disciples!



“BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS, FOR THEY WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD,” will be the Beatitude introduced in January. Please review the Beatitudes (Matthew 5: 3-10) with your child. This Beatitude will be introduced by reading **“Enemy Pie”** by **Derek Munson**. Please contact the school to borrow a copy. This month we will encourage students to act as peacemakers as they will learn about peace during the new year.

STUDENTS WILL BE TAUGHT, BECAUSE I AM A PEACEMAKER:

- I WILL BE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD
- I WILL DO GOD'S WORK
- I WON'T JOIN IN WRONGDOING
- I WILL TRY TO CORRECT WHAT IS WRONG
- I WILL REACH OUT TO THOSE IN NEED
- I WILL SAFELY SPEAK UP OR REPORT WRONGDOING
- I WILL LIVE MY LIFE LIKE JESUS

<p>Winter Walk or Roll to School</p> <p>Homework Club</p> <p>Monthly Awards Assembly</p> <p>Graduation Photos Tues Jan 29</p> <p>Growth Mindset</p> <p>Math Nugget</p> <p>Pope Francis Twitter</p> <p>Looking Ahead</p>	<p>The Grandfather Teaching Wisdom is represented by the Beaver.</p> <p>“Wisdom is the ability to make decisions based on personal knowledge and experience.</p> <p>The Beaver represents wisdom because it uses its gifts in ways that promote wellness to itself and its family. Wisdom also means knowing what your limits are with your body and the life around you. The Creator gave the Beaver large teeth and the knowledge of how to build. This allows him to positively impact its environment and create a more sustainable world. The Beaver is intelligent, productive and very much a family animal.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEWS FROM THE PEWS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sacramental Preparation</p> <p>Our grade 7 students will receive Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, April 5th at 7:00 p.m. at The Cathedral of Christ The King Church.</p> <p><u>Enrolment Mass for Confirmandi:</u> Saturday, February 9 at 5 pm at Corpus Christi Site</p> <p>Our grade 2 students will receive the following sacraments:</p> <p><u>First Reconciliation:</u> Saturday, February 23rd at 9:30 a.m. at Corpus Christi Site</p> <p><u>First Holy Communion:</u> Saturday May 11th at 3:00 p.m. at Corpus Christi Site</p> <p>Please continue to keep our Grade 7 and Grade 2 students in your daily prayers as they prepare for these very important Good Days in their lives.</p>
<p><u>Prayer to St. Marguerite d'Youville</u></p> <p>Saint Marguerite d'Youville, we turn to you in humble prayer because your life speaks to us of goodness, compassion and love in a world of suffering, anguish and pain. It is not unlike the world you knew as you went about doing good with a great love for the human family,</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH WINTER WONDERLAND FAMILY DINNER AND DANCE</p> <p>St. Catherine of Siena Parish will be hosting their First Annual Winter Wonderland, bringing together Our Lady of Lourdes and Corpus Christi sites together on Saturday February 16, doors open at 6pm, dinner at 7pm. Includes 3 course meal with wine on the table. Door prizes, entertainment and dance. Tickets: \$50 per person, \$20 for children (age 3 to 11). Some children activities will be available. There will also be a display about our new church building project. Tickets are available after all Masses at Corpus Christi and Our Lady of Lourdes or from either parish office. Great family event for Family Day weekend or Valentine's date for couples!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</p> <p>Tea & Treats for Friendship Month</p> <p>Corpus Christi CWL is celebrating Friendship month with Tea & Treats. All women are invited to bring a friend and join us on a special day and time: Saturday, Feb. 2 at 1 p.m. in the P.J. Daly Room. February is friendship month, so feel free to bring a friend.</p> <p>Annual membership dues due</p> <p>The annual membership fee of \$25 for Corpus Christi CWL is now due. You can use the pink envelope in your box of envelopes or write CWL on an envelope and drop it into the offering plate. Thank you for your support.</p> <p>Winter Wonderland Dinner</p> <p>St. Catherine of Siena Winter Wonderland is a parish event to unite both sites for a wonderful dinner and dance. The joyful event includes a three-course meal, dance, entertainment, door prizes, and children's activities. Saturday, Feb. 16 at 6 p.m., dinner</p>

with preference
for the poorest
of all.

Your dream of
universal charity
became a
mission in the
Church.

We give thanks
to you for the
inspiring vision
that is ours today
as your dream
lives on.

May we learn as
you did the life-
giving power of
love,
the profound
peace of
unfailing trust,
the deep mystery
of suffering and
pain,

the comfort of
prayer.
Saint
Marguerite,
teach us to
listen,

In the silence of
our hearts,
to the God of
Mercy and
Compassion.
that we, too,
may be signs of
God's love
to all people of
our world.

Amen.
St. Marguerite
d'Youville, Pray
for us.
Amen.

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at 7 p.m. at Michelangelo's Banquet Centre on Upper Ottawa.

Tickets will be on sale in the Narthex until one week before the event. If you have dietary concerns or want to sit with someone, please inform the volunteers when purchasing tickets. Adults \$50, children under 11 years \$20.

Interested in a position on the Hamilton Diocesan Council?

If you are interested in being nominated to run for a position on the Hamilton Diocesan Council, please let Barbara know as she has some information. The deadline for nominations is Feb. 28. Reply to this email if you're interested.

Share Lent Workshop February 19

This Lenten season Development and Peace and Pope Francis invite us to reach out and encounter migrants and refugees, to make a commitment to really go toward others, to stop, listen and really see them. To learn how to foster a culture of encounter in your parish or school join us for a **Share Lent Workshop** on Tues. Feb. 19, Annunciation Parish Hall, 280 Limeridge Rd. W, Hamilton. 7-9 p.m.

Women's Day of Reflection May 23

8th Annual Women's Day of Reflection hosted by St. Raphael's council on Wednesday, May 23 at St. Raphael's Church, 4072 New Street (corner of New St. and Longmoor Dr.), Burlington, ON L7L 1S9.

ROAD AND STUDENT SAFETY



Parking

Thank you to the many parents and guardians who are respecting the school focus of ensuring students are able to enter the playground safely when being dropped off and picking up children. For the most part drivers are being attentive, respectful and understanding.

Use of Community Crosswalks

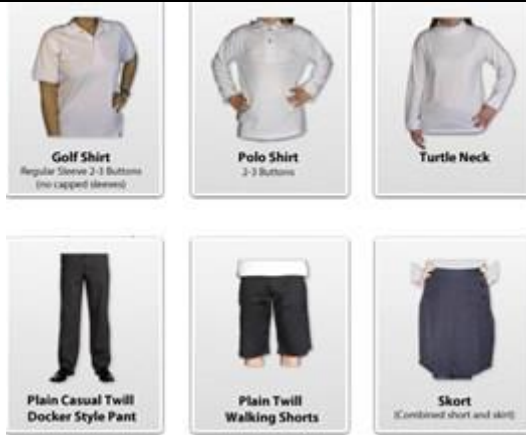
We work in partnership with community partners to keep our children safe. Recently, our crossing guard has made us aware of a dangerous practice among parents and their children while making their way to school. **Those parents crossing their children in the middle of the street instead of walking the short distance to the crosswalk are encouraged to use the crosswalk.** Please remember that it is important that we be safe and model safe practices for our children. **Please cross where crosswalks are at all times.**

It has been noted that some vehicles are not coming to a complete stop at the Stop Sign. Please be sure to completely stop at the Stop Signs and avoid pulling up in front of the school to drop your children off. Please be sure to obey the **NO PARKING OR NO STOPPING** signs around the school.

Why not park a few blocks away and walk your children to school!

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE



Mandatory School Uniform implies that all students arrive at school dressed appropriately and in adherence to the Board and School Uniform Policy. Failure to do so shall result in consequences as outlined in the Uniform Policy. Parents please note that many of our students are wearing tights, or jogging pants. These pieces of clothing are not part of the uniform. **Only plain casual twill docker style pants are allowed for students in Grade 4-8.**

Teachers will be checking for compliance of uniform and will put a note in the agenda. Please make sure your child is wearing the proper uniform. Your support in being compliant is appreciated. If you require assistance, please notify the office.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING



The next Catholic School Council Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 5 at 6:30 pm. We hope to see all of you there!**

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR FAMILY MARDI GRAS FUNDRAISER: SUNDAY MARCH 3

We will be having a MARDI GRAS PASTA DINNER, Sunday, March 3, 2019. We are asking that each classroom put together a theme basket to be part of the draws at the Pasta Dinner. Basket themes are listed below. We would kindly ask students to bring in small items relating to the individual theme to help fill up these baskets. We would like to have all the items in by Friday, February 22, 2019. These baskets will be on display at the Dinner where you will have the opportunity to purchase tickets and win one of our wonderful baskets. The draws will take place at the Pasta Dinner and proceeds go towards upgrading our Technology and our Nutrition Program.

Mardi Gras Fundraiser Baskets Themes 2018-2019

Teacher	Basket Themes
Mrs. Simpson	Toys for Boys and Girls
Mrs. Racanelli	Toys for Boys and Girls

Mrs. Berardi	Toys for Boys and Girls
Mrs. Presta	Toys for Boys and Girls
Mrs. Bellavia	Baking Basket
Mrs. Tittarelli	Baking Basket
Mrs. Hunt	Arts and Crafts
Ms. Bilanzola	Arts and Crafts
Mrs. Clement	Game Night
Mrs. Cowell	Game Night
Mrs. Mirra-Ammendolia	Movie Night
Mrs. Krawesky	Movie Night
Ms. Alessi	Sports
Mrs. Reilly	Sports
Ms. Rivera	Sports
Mr. DiVitantonio	Spa Basket
Mr. Welsh	Spa Basket
Mr. Quaglia	Car Basket
Mr. Metcalfe	Car Basket

SNUGGLE UP AND READ ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 24



Thank you to Mme Giro, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Borges-Jeffery, Ms. Murray and our Student Council for organizing our Pajama Day to help celebrate Family Literacy Day. We thank all of the family members who came and shared their favourite book with our children.

SUB DAY



Sub day will be on Wednesday, January 30 for those who have returned their forms

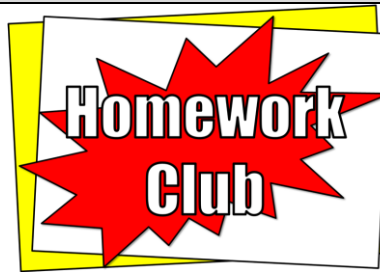
JOIN US FOR OUR WINTER YELLOW DAY

Please join us for our Winter Yellow Day on Wednesday, February 6. Walk or Roll to school or be part of a walking school bus! Help us reduce our carbon footprint! Wear yellow and join in the fun! Stay tuned next week for more details!

Walk, Wheel, Wear Yellow



HOMWORK CLUB



We have three days after school to provide homework support to our students. Homework Club meets Mondays, and Wednesdays from 3:25-4:25. Registration is needed. If you would like your child to attend, please ask in the office for a Registration Form. Thank you to Mr. Quaglia, Mrs. Metcalfe, Mme Giro for volunteering to support our students.

MONTHLY AWARDS ASSEMBLY




Our Monthly Awards Assembly will be held on Friday, February 1 at 12:40 pm. All parents and family members are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!

GRADUATION PHOTOS



Lifetouch will be at our school on Tues. Jan. 29 to take Graduation photos of our Grade 8 students. Please see the attached information.



Graduation Pictures

Grade 8 Grad Picture Day Reminders:

Please Bring Your Order Form with Payment for a Vinyl Folder and Class Composite
Payment: Cheque (made out to Lifetouch) or Cash = \$33.90 (taxes included)
Payment needs to be exact, as change will NOT be given


- Boys: Bring a dress shirt - any colour will do, but white works best under the gown. Remember to bring your tie or bowtie. A polo does not work with a tie.
- Girls: Bring a white shirt or blouse.

Our photographer will have both shirts and ties if you do not have one or both

Make sure you wear your hair like you normally would. We do not recommend putting your hair in a new style. Wearing a high bun or pony tail will cause your face to look much smaller in your pictures, as we need to pull the camera back for the height of the hair.

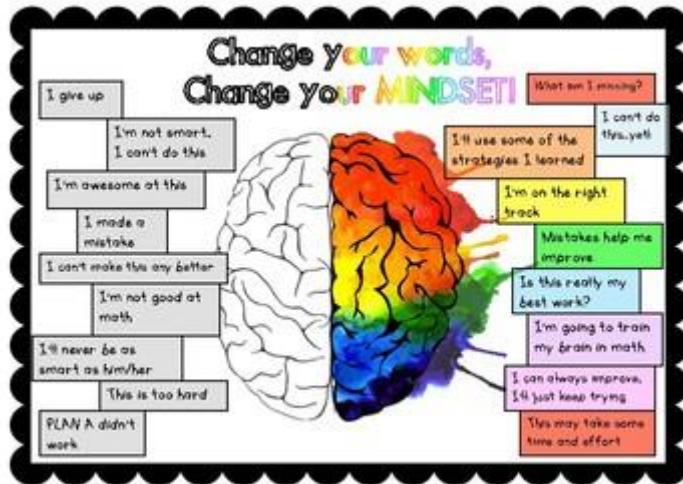
Most importantly, don't forget to bring a great attitude and your SMILE 😊

We look forward to capturing some beautiful Grade 8 Memories!



Lifetouch

GROWTH MINDSET



MATH NUGGET

Can you solve this puzzle?

6	+		=	14
+		+		+
	+	9	=	16
=		=		=
13	+		=	

20	-	12	=	
+		+		+
25	-		=	13
=		=		=
	-		=	

FROM POPE FRANCIS TWITTER

“Friends, Jesus teaches us to believe. Seek out and listen to the voices that encourage you to look ahead, not those that pull you down.”



LOOKING AHEAD



- Catholic School Council Meeting Tuesday, February 5 at 6:30 in Learning

Commons

- Winter Yellow Walk or Roll to School Day Wednesday, February 6
- National Sweater Day Thursday, February 7
- Enrolment Mass for Confirmandi Saturday, February 9 at 5 pm at Corpus Christi Site
- Green Venture Lightening Bike Arrives Monday, February 11
- Report Cards go home Tuesday, February 12
- Junior Kindergarten Registration begins on Tuesday, February 12 until Thursday, February 14 from 9:15-2:30. Please call the office to schedule an appointment 905-387-4600
- Valentine's Day Thursday, February 14
- National Flag of Canada Day Friday, February 15
- Sub order forms go out on Friday, February 15 to be returned Thursday, February 21 for the Sub Day on Wednesday, February 27
- Family Day Weekend February 16-18
- Winter Wonderland Dinner Dance Saturday, February 16
- TWU & Cardus Research Project: Exploring Excellence in Canadian Christian Schools visit Tuesday, February 19 and Friday, February 22
- First Reconciliation at Corpus Christi Site on Saturday, February 23 at 9:30 am
- Anti Bullying Awareness Day Wednesday, February 27
- February Awards Assembly Thursday, February 28
- Friday, March 1 Professional Activity Day