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WELCOME AWESOME APRIL

HOLY WEEK REFLECTION

Sunday was Palm Sunday and we were able to listen to the Hosannas that greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and then to be followed by the reading of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. We listen as Jesus emptied himself on a cross for us and for our salvation. This week we will hear the readings and will be able to walk with Jesus through his triumph, his defeat and finally the joy of His Resurrection.

“God sees every act of self-sacrifice, every decision to put someone else’s needs ahead of ours, every decision to empty ourselves... Every single act of self-giving is a reflection of the cross. And because of that, every act of self-giving warms our Father’s heart and moves him to raise us up a little bit more-just as he did for Jesus.” (The Word Among Us, Lent 2018, p 62)

So, let’s make this Holy Week a memorable one as we try to be more like Jesus and let his self-giving love move us to be more like him in all that we do!

BE THE ATTITUDE OF JESUS WHILE LIVING AS JOYFUL DISCIPLES!

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week begins with the celebration on Palm Sunday Apr 14 and continues to the Celebration of Easter on Sunday Apr 22. Just a reminder to all parents/guardians of the Good Friday and Easter Monday no school days. Hopefully families will be attending their parishes to partake in the Easter Triduum beginning Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday.

PASSION PLAY







Our Annual Passion Play will take place on Holy Thursday April 18 at 10:30 am in our school gym. All families and relatives are welcome to join us for this very powerful and moving experience. We are blessed to have a very special visit from His Excellency Bishop Crosby along with our School Board Director Mr. Hansen, Chairperson Mr. Daly, Our Superintendent Mrs. Pizzuti and many other special guests and friends join us for this beautiful experience. Thank you to Ms. DiTrapani and Mrs. van Kester for taking the lead and mentoring our students! Please join us!

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Our grade 2 students will receive the following sacraments:

First Holy Communion: Saturday May 11th at 3:00 p.m. at Corpus Christi Site

Please continue to keep our Grade 2 students in your daily prayers as they

<p>Kindergarten Trip</p> <p>Growth Mindset</p> <p>Math Nugget</p> <p>Pope Francis Twitter</p> <p>Looking Ahead</p>	<p>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, 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</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="357 577 1542 640">CONFIRMATION</th> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" data-bbox="357 640 1542 1312"> <p>Our students were able to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Fri. Apr. 5 at the Cathedral of Christ the King Church. It was a beautiful celebration. Bishop Crosby spoke about the sacrament of Confirmation. He mentioned that Confirmation is the sending forth of the Spirit of the Lord to renew the face of the Earth. Children were blessed with Chrism oil, which is a mixture of olive oil and perfume. Each child is blessed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the laying of the hands of the Bishop. The Holy Spirit transforms things and people, just as the disciples had courage and confidence, now our children are challenged to go out into our communities as they are made more like Christ through this sacrament. They are the Anointed Ones, chosen to lead, to bring Good News and to carry on the work of God. They have gifts, talents and abilities to make a difference for others, to renew the face of the Earth. Our children are challenged to pitch in, to come up with a way to contribute to the well being of their family and to move away from being self-centred but to think of others. These newly Confirmed children should be confident and proud to make a contribution to the world. 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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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Please join us for our Catholic School Council Meeting this Monday April 15 at 6:30 in our Learning Commons. All are welcome to attend! Please join us!

GARAGE SALE

SAVE THE DATE! - SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019 GARAGE SALE – ST. ANN (HAMILTON) CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 11, 2019 at St. Ann (Hamilton) Catholic Elementary School, 15 St. Ann St., Hamilton, L8L 0B8 (near Barton St. and Sherman St.). You can show your support by attending the event or donating items (new or gently used) to your home school by Thursday, May 2, 2019. All proceeds will go to support the 'Equal Opportunities Fund'. Please be generous. If you are doing some Spring Cleaning, send us your extra items.

<https://hwcdsb.sharepoint.com/employeecentre/Board%20Memos/2018-2019/370%20ATT%20-%20HWCDSB%20Garage%20Sale%20Flyer%202019.pdf>

EASTER CRAFT NIGHT

On Wed Apr 10 we had our Easter Craft Night. It was a wonderful opportunity for our families to engage in prayerful service and then to create a Family Easter Craft. Thank you to Mrs. Anthony-Corrigan who prepared all of the craft items for us to enjoy. Thank you to Mrs. Thompson for helping us during the evening. Thank you also to Paulina S. our former student who offered her support before, during and after the event. Thank you also to Mrs. Bellavia, Ms. Bilanzola, Mrs. Hunt, Ms. Parisse, Mrs. Reilly, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Spatazzo for their help. Thank you to Ms. Ditripani, Ms. Rivera, Mr. Welsh and all of the students who helped with the set-up, the technical aspects, and the take down of the gym. Thank you also to our Custodial Staff who also always pitch in! We appreciate the continued support of all! It was great night of fun.

Hoppy Easter!!





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.

Please do not pull into the parking lot between 8:35-9:05 as many of our students are walking through to get to the playground.

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.

Please avoid **pulling up in front of the school to drop your children off.** 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!

CYO VOLLEYBALL PLAYOFFS

Good luck to our Junior and Senior Boy's Volleyball Teams who will be heading into the playoffs. Our Junior Boy's will play on Wed. Apr. 24th at 4:15 in our school gym against Guardian Angels School and our Senior Boy's will also play at 5:00 pm against Sts Peter and Paul School

Thank you to Ms. Alessi, Mrs. Presta, Ms. Ditrapani and Ms. Rivera for coaching our teams.

Go! Mustangs! Go!

SUB DAY

Sub order forms go out on Mon Apr 15 to be returned on Wed Apr 17 for the Sub Day on Wed Apr 24.



GROWTH MINDSET

Five Steps of a Growth Mindset Culture

The infographic consists of five numbered steps, each with an icon and a brief description. Step 1: 'The Brain' with a brain icon, 'Learn about your brain and how you learn.' Step 2: 'Mindsets' with a brain icon, 'Recognize growth and fixed mindset traits.' Step 3: 'Self Talk' with a head profile icon, 'Become aware of and use your inner voice.' Step 4: 'Feedback' with a group of people icon, 'Focus on process, strategies & effort.' Step 5: 'Goal' with a target icon, 'Set a challenging goal to achieve.' The School District 51 logo is at the bottom center.

School District 51
WEST COUNTY VALLEY
Achieving...Rising...Together

DENTAL SCREENING

There will be a dental screen for all of our Kindergarten students as well as our Gr 2 students on Tues Apr 16.

KINDERGARTEN TRIP



ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS

Our Kindergarten students will be going on a trip to the RBG on Wed Apr 17. We wish them a wonderful time of learning and fun!

MATH NUGGET

Can you solve this puzzle?

EASTER SUBTRACTION #1



HAPPY EASTER!

The Easter bunny's hidden 12 eggs around the yard and it's your job to solve the subtraction problem on each one.

$20 - 10 = \underline{\quad}$	$15 - 2 = \underline{\quad}$	$8 - 3 = \underline{\quad}$	$18 - 7 = \underline{\quad}$
$12 - 8 = \underline{\quad}$	$5 - 3 = \underline{\quad}$	$11 - 6 = \underline{\quad}$	$7 - 3 = \underline{\quad}$
$9 - 4 = \underline{\quad}$	$13 - 5 = \underline{\quad}$	$21 - 14 = \underline{\quad}$	$16 - 4 = \underline{\quad}$

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FROM POPE FRANCIS TWITTER

“Today, World Youth Day, I would like to mention all those young saints, especially the saints “next door” to us, known only to God; sometimes he likes to surprise us with them.”

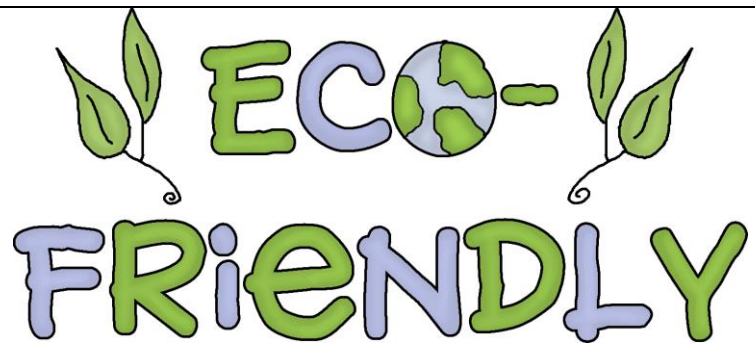


LOOKING AHEAD



HEALTHY ECOFAIR

Please join us for our annual Healthy EcoFair on Fri. Apr. 26 in our school gym. We will be welcoming many important guests. Please join us!

	 <p>ECO-FRIENDLY</p>
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The image shows a logo for 'Eco-Friendly'. The word 'ECO-FRIENDLY' is written in a playful, rounded font. The letters 'E', 'C', 'O', 'R', 'I', 'E', 'N', 'D', 'L', 'Y' are green, while the letters 'F', 'I', 'E', 'N', 'D', 'L', 'Y' are light blue. The letter 'O' is replaced by a stylized globe with green continents and blue oceans. The word is flanked by two green leaves on thin stems, one on each side.