

St. Matthew the Evangelist CS

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

June is here! This means busy days, warmer weather and time for some goodbyes.

This month we are planning many class trips, the Regional Track and Field Meet, Gr. 8 Graduation, and of course, June Report Cards.

We wish you a great summer vacation and thank you again for your continual support.

Sincerely,

L. Sarna, Principal

D. Hyles, Vice Principal

Upcoming Dates

June 18-Farewell Assembly at 12:30pm

June 19-Track and Field at Oshawa Civic and FDK trip to Vanier Park

June 20-Medieval Times Gr. 4

June 21-Merit Awards Assembly am/pm

June 22- SK Celebration 9am in library and Gr. 1-3 trip to Willowbrook Park 12-2pm

June 25-Gr. 8 Graduation 6pm and Pizza Nova workshops Gr. 1-3

June 29- PA Day



Upcoming Events

June 5

FDK Scientist-in-Schools

June 6

Gr. 5 Science Centre

June 7

Regional Track and Field Meet at Austin and Gr. 6 Health presentation

Jun 11

Gr. 7 trip to Fair Glen Outdoor Education Centre

Jun 12

Jr. Concert-1:15pm

June 14

Gr. 6 Science Centre

June 15

Primary Playday-9-11:30am

Staff Goodbyes

We would like to say goodbye and wish the staff that are leaving the best of luck in their new schools for September: Ms. Laramée, Ms. Shennan, Ms. Reid, Ms. Findlay-Shields, Ms. Danielak, Mr. Bruno, Ms. McGouran, Ms. Hayes and Ms. Boyd. We wish them all of the best in their new teaching placements.

Retirements

We want to wish Ms. McGeown and Ms. Albis a wonderful retirement filled with fun adventures. We are sad to see them go but know that they take their awesomeness with them to spread to others. They have both taught with the Durham Catholic District School Board for over twenty years. We are grateful that they spent many of their years at St. Matthews.

Goodbye

As the Vice Principal of St. Matthews, I would like to say thank you for all the support you have given me over the two years I have been here. I will be going to St. Wilfrid in September. May God guide all of you as you continue your journey in Catholic Education!

Welcome to our new VP

We would like to welcome Mrs. Faria who will be the new Vice Principal at St. Matthew's next year. Mrs. Faria comes with a wealth of experience and has worked in many different schools in our Board. We look forward to working with Mrs. Faria next year.

Track and Field Meet

Congratulations to all the Grade 3 to 8 students who participated in our school's Track and Field meet last week. It was an awesome day! A special congratulations to our event winners who will be advancing to the Regional Track and Field Meet on June 7th. Our "Magic" athletes continue to impress us with their excellent sportsmanship!

EQAO

We applaud our Grade 3 and 6 students who completed the EQAO testing. We are very proud of their effort and hard work! Thank you to our dedicated staff who supported them through the testing namely Ms. Michaud, Ms. Shennan, Mr. Logan, Mr. Rudback, Ms. Findlay-Shields and our Educational Assistants.

Library and Textbooks

Please remember to return all textbooks and library books before the end of the year.

Graduation

We are very proud of our Grade 8 Graduates as they embark on a new stage of education, high school. We wish them many future successes. Graduation is on Monday, June 25th at 6pm.

Class Placements

The due date for parent input on class placements has passed. Just a reminder that class placements are a school team decision based on curriculum. Decisions will be made by the current teacher and administration in the best interest of the child.

Mass

Our last mass is Fri. June 8th, 2018 at 9:30am. As always you are welcome to join us. We encourage families to go to church over the summer holidays and celebrate our Catholic faith every Sunday.

A Blessing Before Summer Vacations

Take time to claim your strength; they are gifts of God.

Take time to have fun; it's god's way of teaching you your strengths.

Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.

Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.

Take time to share with others; they will bless you, and you will bless them.

Take time to have hope, you are a child of God.

Let's put ourselves into the hands of the Lord, and pray that God will bless us and our families during the wonderful months of summer.

May we all help make our home a place of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety.

May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of a summertime.

Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strength our hearts, during these months of summer and vacation days. Grant us refreshment of mind and body. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.