

# ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL JUNE 2014



600 Acadia Drive  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8W 3A8  
905-525-1300  
Fax 905-318-3080

- Mrs. I. Fortino, Superintendent of Education
- Mr. P. Daly, Trustee
- Mr. K MacIsaac, Principal
- Mrs. J. Shamon, Principal Intern

St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic Secondary School  
Mr. M. Daly, Principal  
(905) 388-7020

Corpus Christi Church  
1694 Upper James St.  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L9B 1K6  
Father E. Mahoney  
(905) 389-2472  
Weekend Mass Times:  
Saturday 5:15 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Reconciliation:  
Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m.

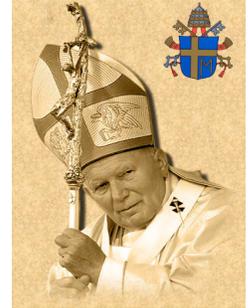
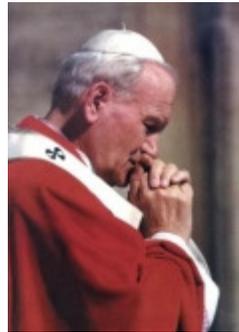
## Before and After 905 518-4694

Should you have questions contact the Before and After Staff

### Inside this issue:

- Parent Requests 1
- Moving? 2
- Vacation? 2
- Uniform— 2
- Warm Weather 2
- Summer Info for Parents 3

Staff list for 2014-2015



In all that we do we are called to be "Salt of the Earth" and "Light of the World"

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



*"Teach your children to choose the right path, and when they are older, they will remain upon it." (Proverbs 22:6)*

We are now into our last month of school together here at St. John Paul II Catholic Elementary School. Another year, my sixth at SJP II, has reached the last month of the school year. We continue to be called to be "Salt of the Earth and Light of the World." During this last month we will still concentrate on our studies in all subjects. But, because we know that we teach the whole child we are also looking forward to:

- ◆ Our Grade 8 Graduation Mass on Tuesday, June 9, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Corpus Christi
- ◆ Our Grade 8 Graduation ceremony on Thursday, June 19, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at Carmen's on Stone Church Road E. The dance will finish at 11:00 p.m.
- ◆ Our Closing School Liturgy and Awards Assembly on Thursday June 26, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ Various end-of-the-year trips for our classes to enjoy to celebrate the year

Please take time now to reflect on the successes you and your children have enjoyed throughout this year. Our report cards speak to Strengths, Weaknesses and Next Steps. Be open to all suggestions and celebrate.

## PRINCIPAL APPROVES THE FINAL LIST TO BE SHARED WITH STAFF AND FAMILIES.

June marks an ending but with a view to a new beginning in September. Parents and Guardians may wish to submit any written requests for their children for consideration for next year's classes. There are wishes you have for your child that you hope to have heard. As Principal I cannot promise all requests from home can be granted. Trust us.

We do have some classes with staff not yet placed for the next school year. (see Page 3)  
Comments should outline needs for your child.  
Comments should not name other children or teachers.  
Staffing changes are not always finalized before we head off on Summer vacation.  
This year's Staff will take time in June reviewing class lists. (REQUESTES DUE BY June 5,2015)

(NEW) Class placements will be presented to all students in the Report Card Envelope, June 23, 2015.

## P.A. DAYS

Friday, June 5 and 19, 2015 are P.A. Day.  
There will be no school for students.

## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Friday, June 26, 2015 is the last day of school for students. No Lunch.  
Dismissal time FOR ALL is 12:25 p.m.



## Are You Moving? Going on Vacation?

If your family is moving over the summer and your children will not be attending St. John Paul II School in September, please contact the School Office, in writing.

Also, if your family is going on an early family vacation, please let the school know. Report Cards cannot be given ahead of time. They will be available for pick up in the School Office on the first day of School, Monday, September 8, 2015.

If you plan be on vacation when school starts in September, please notify the school office, in writing, before the end of June 2015.

## BUS QUESTIONS



Families that have questions about Bussing and transportation matters (ex. Late times) are invited to check out the following web sites:

[www.hamilton School Bus. ca](http://www.hamilton School Bus. ca) and follow the link for the HWCDSB policy

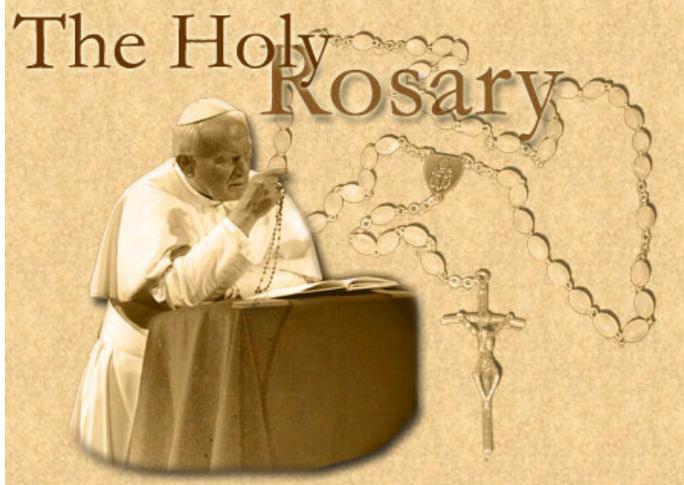
## School Uniform — Warm Weather

Throughout the year we have reminded students to follow the dress code. With the warmer weather, there are more questions arising as to what students should wear. As parents, we ask that you support the School (and each other) by ensuring that students follow the dress code. For example:

- ◆ Our colours remain **blue and white.**
  - ◆ **Shoes should be safe** for the activity at school. Running shoes preferred.
- No sandals, flip-flops or "Crocs".**



We support a culture of modesty at a Catholic School. Please support our efforts with your children coming to school.



The rosary is my favorite prayer,  
marvellous in its simplicity  
and its depth.  
St. John Paul II

“The Pope always saw the young as the future and hope of the church and wanted to, in spirit, pass the rosary beads on to them.” Robert Feeney



We celebrated a beautiful May Crowning Ceremony held in the school gym on Thursday, May 14, 2015. Our Grade 2 First Communicants and Grade 7 Confirmandi were chosen to lead this liturgy and crown the statue of Mary. Members of the School Council Executive will give the Grade 2 students and Confirmandi special gifts to commemorate this occasion.

Our Grade 7 Confirmandi were also invited by our CSC to support our School Faith Goal and support Social Justice Initiatives. Cheques were given to Make-A-Wish and Sick Kids Hospital.



Thank you to all who helped out to make this a special May Crowning. Come see our garden which the students and staff planted with flowers you donated.

## International Language Program

Current educational research indicates that learning or maintaining a second or third language has a positive effect on all aspects of a child's educational development. Since 1976, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board has provided elementary school children, currently in Junior-Kindergarten to Grade 8, with an opportunity to experience the culture, traditions and language of other countries.

This program provides the opportunity for children to speak, listen, write and read an international language and at the same time learn about the culture and heritage associated with the language.

Free language classes are offered in many elementary schools and taking place Monday to Friday for 2 ½ hours per day beginning at 9:00 a.m. or 9:30 a.m. from Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> to Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. No prior knowledge of the language is necessary.

Registrations will take place on Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup> at the school of your choice but students can register any time during the month of July. JK students should bring proof of age (e.g. birth certificate, passport or report card) to be handed in to the head instructor.

Please refer to the International Languages flyer at [www.stcharles.ca](http://www.stcharles.ca) to locate which schools are offering this program and the languages being taught.

### Classes held here at St. John Paul II

Chinese and Spanish are being offered here.  
Registration begins July 2, 2015  
(more details to come)



C.Y.O. Camp Brebeuf, located in Rockwood, ON, is offering another life-changing summer of residential camping (Grades 1-8) and leadership programs (Grade 8-10). Camp Brebeuf provides a safe, welcoming Catholic community where campers learn new skills, make friends, celebrate their faith and explore the outdoors. Don't miss out on the excitement this summer! To find out more information on camp dates and rates or to register please go to our website: [www.campbrebeuf.ca](http://www.campbrebeuf.ca) or call Camp Brebeuf at (519) 856-4671.

## Staffing for 2014-2015 (as of June 2, 2014)

As we begin our last month together here at St. John Paul II Catholic Elementary School we note the following staff changes that have taken place for next year;

Miss Donahoe, Mrs Fowler, Miss. Fleming and Mrs Cowan will be leaving to a new schools we wish them all the best and thank them for their contributions to our community.

Principal : Mr.K. MacIsaac

Principal Intern: Mrs. J.Shamon (Gr. 8)

Mrs. Salciccioli

Mrs. N. Hepburn /Ms. S. Morley

Mr. Tittarelli /Ms. S. Caprio

Mrs. A. Santamaria Grade 1 (A)

Mrs. T. VanderElzen Grade 1 (B)

Mrs. C. Peet Grade 2 (A)

Mrs. K. Rigby Grade 2 (B)

Mrs. A. Sopinka Grade 3 (A)

Mrs. M. Matthews Grade 3 (B)

Mrs. C. Antolich Grade 4 (A)

Mrs K. Dwyer-Mitchell Grade 4/5 (A)

Mrs. J. Melko Grade 5/6 (A)

Mr. K. Fonseca Grade 6 (A)

Mr. J. Sunavsky Grade 7 (A)

Mr. P. DelSordo Grade 7/8 (A)

Mrs. J. Shamon (Principal Intern) Gr. 8 (A)

Mrs. J. Mahony Mon., Wed., Alt. Fri.

Teacher Librarian

Mrs. S. MacDonald

Special Education Resource Teacher

Mme. M. Albini F.S.L.

Mrs. W. Caprio F.S.L. Teacher/P.P.T. (p.m.)

Mrs. A. Elchuk Reading Recovery/P.P.T. (p.m.)

Mr. J. Mamone Arts Integration Teacher (Music)

\* We do not have confirmation of placements for our Educational Assistants as of June 1, 2015.

We wish all staff moving on the very best as they will always be a part of our St. John Paul II Catholic School

