



FATHER C.W. SULLIVAN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

"God, friends and learning"

**Father C.W. Sullivan Catholic
School Council
Meeting Minutes
March 29, 2023
6:30pm to 7:00pm**

Attendees: Renalee Bongolan, Brennan McDonald, Diane Melo, Sandra Rea, Susy Santos, Rosa Smith & Maeghan Turner

1. Welcome

2. Opening Prayer

Dear Lord, Guide our hearts and our minds in the spirit of fairness, right thought and speech. Impart your supreme wisdom upon our activities so that our affairs may reach a successful conclusion. Thank you for being our source of guidance today. Amen

3. Approval of Minutes – Approved by Renalee Reyes Bongolan and seconded by Diane Melo

4. Treasurer's Report – Diane Melo

- CSC balance is \$12,394.86
- School Generated Fund - \$9993.79

5. Principal Report and Update – Ms. Rea

Highlights and Updates...

· Faith:

-Lenten Mass – March 22 at 10:30 AM led by Father Joel

-Our Virtue Program continues monthly in the school and students are acknowledge monthly.

Next virtue assembly March 29 @ 1:00 pm Kindness organized by Gianforcaro and Putt. Thank to February on Respect by Somma and McDonald

-Sacramental Dates – All posted on school website and newsletter

· School Activities:

-March Newsletter has been distributed via email, hard copy, and it is on the school website

-Babarinde – success, next Feb 1 st already booked

-French Carnaval – Feb 27 – March 3 – Caprio

-Basketball Tournaments

-World Water Day and Great Gulp – thank you to CSC for funding water bottles and to our ECO team for their leadership – Mcdonald, Franco, Putt



The theme chosen for the upcoming 2023 Catholic Education Week is:

Catholic Education: We are Many, We are One

L'éducation catholique: À plusieurs, nous sommes un

Catholic Education Week Prayer

We are many, we are one; we all form one body in Christ.

Lord, when we see the one before us, let us reverence your presence within; when we listen to one another, let us hear with our hearts; when we reflect on each encounter, may we discern to understand; when we learn from those around us, let us respect our differences with joy; and when we act, may we be kind and generous to all, for each person is a member of your body, with all that they are. We are many, we are one.

Amen.

Catholic Education Week is held each year in May in our 29 Ontario Catholic school boards. It will run from April 30 – May 5, 2023.

The sub-themes for Catholic Education Week 2023 are as follows:

Monday: When we see / En voyant

Tuesday: When we listen / En écoutant

Wednesday: When we reflect / En réfléchissant

Thursday: When we learn / En apprenant

Friday: When we act / En agissant

During this week our families are invited to visit classrooms to witness a variety of classroom activities.

Other CEW activities....

-Scholastic Book Fair – May 1 – 5

-X-movement - May 2, 3, 4

-X-movement Community event – May 4 @ 6:00 pm

April 30 – May 5, 2023...We are Many, We Are One...

During Catholic Education Week we will be running a variety of school and classroom activities. Our scheduled activities include...

May 1 – May 5 – Scholastic Book Fair at Sullivan

May 2, 3, and 4 – X-movement at Sullivan

May 3 @ 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm – Journey into Learning evening event

May 4 @ 6:00 pm – X-movement Community Event

Tuesday May 2, 2023 @ 10:00 am

~Mrs. Toste Lourenco and Mrs. Da Cunha's Gr. 4/5 Classes

Students will be performing with their new recorders.

Wednesday May 3 @ 12:45 pm

~Mrs. Somma and Mr. McDonald's Gr.7/8 Classes

To celebrate and recognize the importance of this year's theme "We are Many, We are One," all intermediate students and their families are invited to create and pray the rosary. Using provided materials and instructions, individuals will each construct a rosary and then have an opportunity to pray the rosary.

Wednesday May 3 @ 11:00 am

~ Mrs. Santos and Mrs. Zeppieri Gr/ 2 and 3 Classes

Students will read the book "What Do You Do with a Chance?" by Kobi Yamada. They will reflect on all of the chances and learning that comes our way and how God gives us gifts to help us grow and learn. Students will create a reflection piece about a time they took a chance and succeeded.

Wednesday May 3 @ 12:30 pm

~Mrs. Franco and Ms. Ianno's Gr. 5 and 6 Classes

Praying the Rosary and making a Deca key chain with a cross. The class will be praying the Rosary all week at 12:30 pm.

Thursday May 4 @ 1:00 pm

~Kindergarten Classes

The FDK classes will be running sessions with the BeeBots and they will be learning how to code.

~Mrs. Punde and Mrs. Patterson's Gr. 1 and 2 Classes

Students will be involved in an activity following the theme, "Follow Jesus in Prayer and Action."

EQAO

Primary Division and Junior Division

Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics



Test

Administration

Dates May 10 – June 14, 2023

EQAO Assessments Reminder:

The grade 3 and 6 EQAO assessments measure how well students have met the expectations in the Ontario Curriculum. The assessments test what students know and how well they apply their knowledge and skills in reading, writing and mathematics. Students are required to read and respond to passages, to write and to solve mathematical problems. The results are reported in terms of achievement from levels 1– 4 with level 3 as the standard. The window for EQAO assessments of all grades 3 and 6 students has been established for May 10 to June 14, 2023. Please keep this important time frame in mind when you are planning family trips or appointments. It is important that all grade 3 and 6 students be in attendance for the assessments.

Grade 3 tentative dates...May 29 to June 2, 2023

Grade 6 tentative dates...June 5 – June 9, 2023

Make up dates...June 13, 14, 2023.

**JOURNEY INTO LEARNING...**

All parents who have registered their child for Kindergarten for September 2023 are invited to attend (with their child) a Journey into Learning information evening at Father C. W. Sullivan Catholic School on May 3 rd at 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm. We look forward to seeing everyone that evening.

-Presenter Upcoming – Positivity Lives here booked for April 19 & 20 (Mathan Francis)

-Grade 8 Graduation booked – June 22 @ Sullivan evening @ 6 PM, June 23 – Luncheon (Pearson)

Math Day - May 12 (assisted by our Math Consultant, J. Kastoris)

Thank you – World Water Day, Great Gulp, Eco Team led by McDonald, Franco, Putt,

CSC for supporting this initiative.

Instructional...

-Tutoring – complete

-Literacy Lead teacher...from Program Department...

We are hosting a literacy lead teacher over the next seven weeks (Apr.3rd through May.19th) at Sullivan. The literacy lead teacher is a new position within the Program department where a designated teacher will be assigned to a school for a block of time to assist with early reading acquisition and literacy.

The literacy lead teacher that has been assigned to Sullivan is Sara Battista. She will begin on April 3rd.

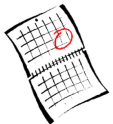
What will a literacy lead teacher do in your school?

During their block, the literacy lead teacher will work toward closing the gaps in reading achievement and building system capacity in best practices in reading instruction in the primary grades. They will work in collaboration with the classroom teacher and/or the principal as part of their mandate of supporting literacy in schools. Literacy leads will support the collection of pre-assessment and post-assessment data that can be analyzed and used to monitor student progress with phonological and phonemic awareness skills that are being targeted by the classroom teachers and supported by the literacy lead teacher. This data will also inform next steps in the work teachers and literacy leads do in the classrooms. The data collected (such as administering Heggerty or Dibels) is to support classroom practice, not critique a teacher. As instructional leader, a principal may have the literacy lead work with teachers in later grades if the needs of the students' levels of literacy so dictate.

Here are some ways literacy lead teachers can provide in-class support to your educators:

- Support the implementation of the Heggerty phonics program (e.g., engage in lesson demonstration)
- Understanding and building skills in phonemic awareness
- Support the implementation of sound walls (printable resource available)
- Engage in literacy activities within the classroom in a co-plan/co-teach model (e.g. at the desks of students)

Next meeting – change to May 31 st rather than May 26 th , same time 6:30 pm



DATES TO REMEMBER

April 5 Graduation Photos

April 7 Good Friday

April 10 Easter Monday

April 19 – 20 Positivity Lives Here Presentation

April 30 – May 5 Catholic Education Week

May 1 – 5 Scholastic Book Fair

May 2, 3, 4 X-movement at Sullivan (day classes)

May 3 Journey into Learning Night

May 4 @ 6:00 pm X-movement at Sullivan (evening)

May 22 Victoria Day

June 6 Year End Mass @ Sullivan @ 10:30 am

June 12 P.A. Day – no school for students

June 27 Report Cards sent home.

6. New Business - Fundraiser planning

- Small fundraisers to look into such as freezies or popcorn
- spring movie night
- X-movement to be paid using the \$500 grant and the remainder will come from the school-generated funds.

7. Closing Prayer:

Thank you God, for the time we had to discuss issues and make decisions. May you bless each person who took the time to gather here today and let your hand of protection be on them throughout the rest of the week. Let the work be done here tonight come to fruition, and let it all be for your glory. Amen

8. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn –Maeghan Turner