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May 2025 Newsletter

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School Hours

8:15 Supervision Begins
8:30 Entry Bell
10:30 Morning Recess
11:25 Lunch
12:25 Afternoon Bell
1:50 Afternoon Recess
3:00 Dismissal

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School Website https://www.dpcdsb.org/DOMNC School Twitter

@StDominicDP





Our Holy Mother Prayer by Pope Francis

Mary, O Holy Mother You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith. "Protectress of the people". you know our needs, and we know that you will provide. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. O Glorious Holy Mother, pray for us. Amen.



The Virtue of the Month for **May** is **Acceptance**. God wants us to serve and to see goodness in everyone we meet.

Virtue Award Winners



Every month, during a Virtue's Liturgy, we will recognize students that have demonstrated an outstanding dedication and commitment to the month's virtue as witnessed in our classroom and school community. Congratulations to the following students who have been recognized for The Catholic Virtues in Action Award.

April's Virtue of Love Winners: Mason D., Mariah V., James V., and Victoria L.



Remembering Pope Francis

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Upcoming Important Dates

May 1st Rosary Apostolate

Confirmation Workshop (Grade 7 students)

Jungle Sport

May 2nd Spirit Day—Wear your Blue and White

Jungle Sport

May 4th—10th Catholic Education Week 2025

Pilgrams of Hope

May 5th Crowning of Mary & Virtue of Love Celebration

May 6th Bike Safety Workshop Gr. 1-5

Scientist in the School Gr. 3

Journey Into Learning— Kindergarten evening

for students starting Kindergarten Sept. 2025

May 7th Scientist in the School Gr. 1 & 2

Catholic School Council Meeting 6:30 pm

May 8th Scientist in the School FDK

Catholic Education Week Online Mass 11:00 am

May 9th STEM Gallery Walk

Welcome parents and guardians 1:45—3:00 pm

May 11th Happy Mother's Day

May 15th

Bike Repair Workshop Gr. 6-8

May 16th

PA Day—no school for students

May 19th

Victoria Day—no school for students

May 27th—30th EQAO Grade 6 students

June 2nd-6th EQAO Grade 3 students

June 4th Staff and Student Appreciation Day

More information for our council to come

June 5th Scientist in the School—Ms. Hewitt's Class

June 5th Confirmation 7:00 pm St. Dominic

Queen of Heaven 7:00 pm (June 3rd)

June 6th Spirit Day—don't forget to wear blue & white

June 9th PA Day—no school for students

June 11th End of year mass 9:15 am—St. Dominic Parish

June 15th Happy Father's Day
June 18th Graduation Mass 9:15

Grade 8 students from St. Dominic/Q. of Heaven

Graduation Ceremony/Awards (evening)

June 19th Celebration of Learning—SK students

June 24th Report Cards sent home

June 27th Virtue Celebration/ End of Year Slideshow/

Grade 8 Clap Out/ Last day of school!!!!!!!

School Attendance

Using SafeArrival, Parents/Guardians are required to report their child's absence, late arrival or early departure using **one** of these three methods:

- Toll Free # 1 (844) 435-3440
- SchoolMessenger go.schoolmessenger.ca
- SchoolMessenger App (blue icon) from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week. Future absences can be reported at any time using this system. For more information on how to report an absence using SafeArrival, visit: https://www.dpcdsb.org/parents/absence-reporting

Personal Lunch Orders

Some students have been ordering lunches from outside restaurants and are having them delivered to the school. Please note that in an emergency situation where a lunch is forgotten at home, parents can have a lunch sent to the school. Students should not be ordering lunches themselves. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mundy.

Kiss and Ride

If you are using the Kiss and Ride in the morning or afterschool, please follow the procedures below so that we ensure the safety of our students, families, and staff.

- NEVER LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE. The Kiss and Ride is meant to keep traffic moving. It is not an area to park your car.
- Please have your children exit your car on the passenger side of your vehicle.
- Remind your children to use the cross walk and side walk areas after exiting your car.
- Please control your speed and be aware of students that may pop out in front of you.



FREEZIE SALE

66 mL for \$1.00 / EACH

Friday June

6th, 13th & 20th





St. Dominic Catholic Elementary School Catholic Education Week 2025

Catholic schools across Ontario will celebrate Catholic Education Week from May 4th to May 9th. This year's theme is Catholic Education: Pilgrams of Hope.

Catholic Education Week offers a special opportunity to highlight the incredible achievements happening in our school, to celebrate our students and staff, and to recognize the significant role that faith plays in education. Along with Catholic Education Week, May 5th – 11th, we also recognize Mental Health Literacy Week at DPCDSB. Classes are encouraged to participate in a wellness activity focusing on "Wellness for Success".

We have highlighted below some of our activities for the week. Parents and/or Guardians are invited to attend a "STEM Gallery Walk" on Friday May 9th (more information below).

Monday May 5 th	Crowning of Mary and Virtue Celebration for students. We invite students to bring fresh flowers to school in the morning, so that we can surround our Mother and grace her presence with beauty.						
Tuesday May 6th	Scientists in the School Grade 3 classes						
FARS	Bike Safety Workshop Grade 1-5 classes						
	Journey Into Learning 6:00 pm						
	Welcome our new JK families September 2025						
Wednesday May 7 th	Scientist in the School Grade 1 and 2 classes						
	All members of the DPCDSB community and broader Catholic community—are invited to participate virtually. The Mass will be livestreamed from the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, beginning at 11:00 a.m. <u>Livestream Link</u> ** Classes may participate based on schedules** Prayers will be throughout the week.						
	Catholic School Council Meeting 6:30 pm						
Thursday May 8 th	Scientist in the School FDK classes						
Friday May 9 th	STEM Gallery Walk - student work of Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Mathematics, will be						
<u> </u>	on display in our primary hallway and library from 1:45 pm – 3:00 pm.						

You are Invited ...

On Friday May 9th between 1:45 pm – 3pm, we invite parents and/or guardians to drop in and visit our STEM Gallery Walk. Student work will be on display in our primary hallway and library. Please know that this is a display of work and not a presentation. Students will be in their classrooms and will not be accompanying their parents during this time. For those parents and/or guardians that are not able to attend, pictures will be displayed in our June newsletter.

* We encourage those that are attending - to walk to our school, as parking is limited due to dismissal time *

St. Dominic Catholic School Council

St. Dominic Catholic School Council for the 2024—2025 School Year

Executive Council

Co-Chairs Natasha Kovar & Michelle Pellicori

Anastasia Lata

Treasurer Brittany Janco Secretary Gia D'souza

OAPCE Rep Cam Hyginus **Parish Rep**

Community Rep Jessica Penim

Parent Members Danielle Crnkovic Tamara Parkes

> Vicki Lefkaditis-Said Shadia Bascom Stephanie Pinto Marlene Black

Hasdhy Maciel Katarzyna Stoklosa

Diana Frigo, Diane Paterson & **Teacher Reps**

Amanda Hewitt

Non-Teacher Rep Julia Kalynowsky

Our next Catholic School Council Meeting is on Wednesday May 7th at 6:30 pm. For those of you who are not able to join us in person, please join using the link below. Join on your computer or mobile app.

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 250 225 244 133

Passcode: oHCvwq

Roman Catholic Church

A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

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SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Retreat-Saturday May 24th, 2025-10am-6pm Celebration of Confirmation: June 3, or June 5,2025 at 7:pm



Sunday Eucharist Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:30am, 11:30am

Weekday Eucharist

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7:00pm Fridays: 8:00am of the Month: Holy Hour 6:00pm followed by Mass 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays: 9:15am Saturdays 8:45am Rosary. Mass 9:15am

Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open

Kindergarten registration for the 2025-2026 school year at Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) schools is now open. The DPCDSB offers the Kindergarten program in 125 Catholic elementary schools in Mississauga, Brampton, Caledon, Bolton and Orangeville.

Parents/guardians can register online at dpcdsb.org. Registration is open to Catholic children and children of Catholic parents. Kindergarten students must be at least four (4) years of age by December 31, 2025.

The following documents are required to complete the registration process:

- Proof of age of the child
- Original Roman Catholic baptismal certificate (for child and/or parent/guardian) or original baptismal certificate from a church in full communion with the Holy See of Rome or an Eastern Catholic Church.
- Immunization Reference #'s from the local Public Health
- Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status
- Proof of home address
- **Proof of English Separate School Support**

Please refer to the Register for School webpage for accepted forms of documentation.

PRIMARY AND JUNIOR ASSESSMENT OF READING, WRITING, AND MATH **EMATICS for Grade 3 and 6 students**



The EQAO assessment is a provincial assessment that tests what students know and how well they apply their knowledge and skills in reading, writing, and mathematics. It is important that all grade 3 and 6 students be in attendance for the assessments. For further information related to EQAO, please visit the following website: www.eqao.com

Test Dates:

Gr. 6: May 27th, May 28th, and May 29th (Make up day May 30th)

Gr. 3: June 2nd, June 3rd, and June 5th (Make up day June 6th)





FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENT FEATURING CHRIS BRAY

HOSTED BY C.C.C.S.C DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025 6:30PM TO 7:30PM

DOORS OPEN @6:15PM - REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL 815 ATWATER AVE, MISSISSAUGA, ON L5E 1L8

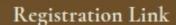






CHILDREN OF ALL AGES, PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS
ARE INVITED TO AN EVENING OF
INSPIRING MUSIC, FAITH AND FUN!
CHRIS WHO IS A FATHER OF FIVE, WILL HELP FAMILIES
NAVIGATE THE DEMANDS OF BUSY LIFESTYLES WHILE

FINDING TIME TO LEAN INTO OUR FAITH



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OAPCE 86TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE



"COMING TOGETHER AS ONE"

MAY 24, 2025

! LOCATION: SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, NIAGARA FALLS, ON

ADDRESS: 8699 MCLEOD RD, NIAGARA FALLS, ON L2E 6S5

In Partnership With:



OUR INSPIRING SPEAKERS:



OAPCE Co-Executive
Director
Presentation:
"The Power of One"



Director Family Ministry
Office Diocese of Hamilton
Presentation:
"Pilgrims of Hope
Live in Families"

TERESA HARTNETT



ANTHONY PERROTTA

Educator, Storyteller &

Digital Learning Advocate

Presentation:

"AI in Education"

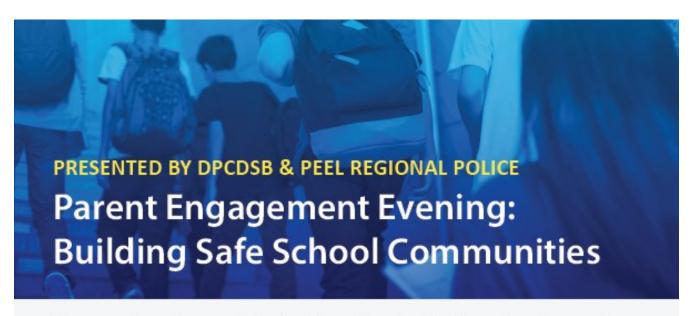
- CONFERENCE & MASS 9-4
- RESOURCE EXHIBITOR FAIR

REGISTER NOW



WWW.OAPCE.ORG

Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education



Parents and guardians are invited to join us for an insightful evening where student safety advocates will address critical issues impacting youth today. Learn how families, school staff and police can work together to create safer and supportive environments for students at school, online, and within their communities.

SCHEDULE

5:30 pm | Community Partner Booths 6 - 9 pm | Presentations

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

St. Aloysius Gonzaga C.S.S. 2800 Erin Centre Blvd, Mississauga

Thursday, May 29, 2025

St. Marguerite D'Youville C.S.S. 10815 Dixie Rd, Brampton

RSVP TO ATTEND ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED

Visit dpcdsb.info/ParentsRSVP

Scan QR Code



FEATURED PRESENTERS

Jacquie Higgins

EveryMind Mental Health Services Crisis Programs and Services offered by EveryMind

Det. Constable Daryl Chakravarthy

Peel Regional Police - VICE Unit Human Trafficking

Det. Matt Banting

Peel Regional Police - Special Enforcement Bureau Youth and Drugs

Det. Andrew Ullock

Peel Regional Police - Internet Child Exploitation Unit Social Media and Online Child Exploitation









May 2025 School Health E-Blast from Peel Public Health

What you'll find in this edition:

- World No Tobacco Day 2025
- Physical Activity and Brain Health

World No Tobacco Day 2025

May 31st marks **World No Tobacco Day**, a time to reflect on how the tobacco industry uses tactics to make their harmful products seem appealing - especially to youth.

 Media Exposure: Youth see smoking and vaping in movies, video games, and social media, where it's shown as "cool" and without any harmful consequences.



- Colourful Packaging and Flavours: Nicotine products like vapes come in bright
 colours and sweet flavours, such as fruit or candy. Tobacco companies insist that their
 products are made for adults, yet they are designed to attract young people.
- Health Effects: The industry has led people to believe that vaping is harmless, but it
 can lead to e-cigarette or vaping use-associated lung injury (EVALI), and the longterm effects of vaping are still being studied. It's <u>not</u> just harmless water vapour vape products still have thousands of chemicals. E-cigarettes or vapes containing
 nicotine are just as addictive as regular cigarettes.

You can support youth who are vaping or smoking to quit.

- There are tools that can help youth quit smoking and vaping. Check out some quit apps at <u>NotAnExperiment.ca/Quitting</u>.
- The Canadian Cancer Society offers tools to help those who want to quit. You can use their online quit program on their website, get phone help by calling 811, or text iQuit to 123456. Learn more at <u>SmokersHelpline.ca</u>.
- Recommend that youth who are vaping should not modify or add any substances to a vaping device.

Physical Activity and Brain Health

Mental Health Awareness Week: May 5 - May 11

You play a crucial role in promoting positive mental health for your child. Your school has many resources to help you on your parenting journey. By working together—family, school, and community—we can significantly enhance your child's overall well-being.

Promoting Brain Health Through Physical Activity

Regular physical activity is essential for all children and youth, not only for physical health but also for improving cognition, brain function, and mental health.

Here are some additional benefits of physical activity:

- Reduction in symptoms of depression
- Decreased feelings of anxiety
- Improved stress response
- Enhanced self-esteem, self-concept and self-perception

Tips to Promote Brain Health:

- Encourage children and youth to meet the daily physical activity guidelines for their age and support them in their efforts.
- Promote age-appropriate outdoor play as a way of improving decision making, problem-solving and self-confidence.
- Encourage sport and physical activities to build skills and mastery.
- Play as a family. This encourages physical activity, togetherness, social support and connectedness, which are all important for good mental health.

Contact Us

Peel Public Health - School Health Inbox

PublicHealthSchoolSupport@peelregion.ca

Use #SchoolHealthinPeel to connect with us on Social Media!

2025 2026 International and Indigenous Languages Elementary Program

First Consideration Registration Open Until: August 27, 2025

Late Registration Opens for available Languages & Locations: September 8, 2025

- Elementary International and Indigenous Languages are available to students in Kindergarten to Grade 8
- No prior language experience is necessary
- The registration for each site is continuous on Saturdays from 9:00 am 11:30 am for available languages
- There is a non-refundable consumable fee of \$35.00 (Plus an online payment cost recovery fee)
- · Enrolment is limited at each location
- Classes will run pending sufficient enrolment
- Confirmations/Cancellations will be sent starting August 28, 2025

Important Information/Dates To Remember:

- Registration is now open until August 27, 2025, for first consideration of languages and locations
- Late Registration begins September 8, 2025, for available languages and locations
- First day of classes for students is Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 9:00 am 11:30 am
- Last day of classes for Elementary students is Saturday, May 30, 2026

*	Brampton			Mississauga					
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How to Register and Next Steps:

- To register, please complete a <u>registration form</u> for each student or visit https://www.dpcdsb.org/programs-services/languages/internationallanguage
- 2. OR scan the QR code





DPCDSB Adult and Continuing Education Department
Telephone: 905-891-3034 or 905-362-0701 Email: il@dpcdsb.org



International and Indigenous Language Credit Courses for Grade 9

Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your commitment to the Dufferin-Peel Continuing Education International and Indigenous Languages program. This is an exciting time of year as your child prepares for the transition from Grade 8 to Grade 9.

In preparation for next year and your child's continued interest in language learning, we are excited to announce that your child can now register for Grade 9 language credit courses in the International and Indigenous Languages Program for the September 2025-2026 school year.

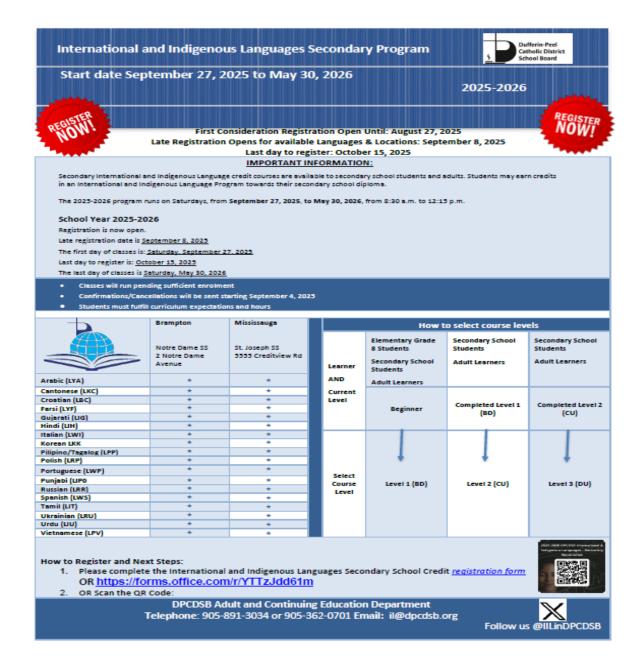
The International and Indigenous Language program continues to offer full credit courses on Saturdays for High School students. A variety of courses are offered at each IIL site and students can register/enroll in the language course of their choice. A full list of courses can be found on the Continuing Education website International and Indigenous Languages (dpcdsb.org) and on the attached flyer.

Course availability and location is dependent on student enrollment.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Dufferin-Peel Adult and Continuing Education Department at 905-362-0701 or 905-891-3034.

All the best on your child's language learning journey.

D. Colangelo, Principal, M. D'Alessandro, Vice Principal









Crowning of Mary and Virtue Celebration. Thank you for sending in the beautiful flowers for our Mother Mary. Our grade 7 students made a rosary bookmark. Thank you to our volunteers and council for this beautiful keepsake. We welcomed our new Kindergarten students and their families at our Journey into Learning. PALS will be starting outside very soon. Our leaders were finishing up their training and practicing their skills this week. All in time for the nice weather.



















