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"SHARING THE SPIRIT"



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A Summer Blessing

O God of all beginnings and endings, we praise and thank you for the gift of this school year. It has been a time filled with grace and blessings, with challenges and opportunities, joys and sorrows. The days have passed quickly, O Lord. The weeks, the months, the seasons, the holidays and holy days, vacations, breaks, and assemblies, all have come forth from your hand. While we trust that your purposes have always been at work each day, sometimes it has seemed difficult to understand and appreciate just what you have been up to in our school. Give us the rest and refreshment we need this summer. Let our efforts of this past year bear fruit. Bring all of our plans to a joyful conclusion, and bless us, according to your will, with the fulfillment of our summer hopes and dreams. Watch over us in the weeks of rest ahead, and guide each day as you have done this past year. Help us return to school with a new spirit and a new energy. May we continue to grow in age, wisdom, knowledge and grace, all the days of our lives. Amen.



In the Area of Curriculum and Recognition

Christ-Like Assembly

Our next Christ-Like Assembly is on Monday, June 27 at 12:10pm. If your child is to be recognized, you will receive an invitation to join us as we celebrate your child's accomplishments! Thank you to all the parents who have been able to join us this year during our Christ-Like assemblies.

In the Area of Safety



Good weather is upon us, and many children wish to bring their skateboard, scooter or in-line skates to school. These items, while presenting a speedy alternative to walking, present a safety concern in the schoolyard. Therefore, we recommend that these items not be brought to school.

Safe Cycling

Please review safe cycling procedures at home. Please be certain that the bicycle is road worthy and always wear a helmet while cycling. Also, students use bicycles at their own risk. The school does not accept responsibility for damaged or stolen bikes.



Students should record the serial number of their bike at home. All students are

reminded to chain their bike to the rack which is located near the front entrance of the school, or at the side by the garbage bins.

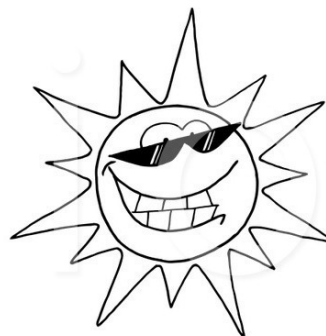
Dressing For The Weather

Exposure to radiation from the sun can cause skin damage, cancer, damage to the eyes, dehydration and weaken the immune system. Recommendations to reduce the effects of the sun include:

- Apply sun block at home before arriving at school
- Wear a hat when outside
- Wear protective clothing—cover your skin

Summer is just around the corner, and the warm spring weather has arrived. Appropriate dress is an effective way to protect yourself against the sun and to promote a positive and respectful learning environment. We'd like our families and students to think about what they wear to school for a day of learning. In the agenda, you will find dress guidelines: **Dress modestly, T-shirts rather than tank tops, No spaghetti straps, No muscle shirts, Short and Skirts to mid-thigh (a good guide is shorts/skirts should be at or longer than your fingertips of your extended arms), Proper footwear, and finally please ensure no undergarments are peeking out or visible at anytime.** We ask for your continued support of the Mother Teresa Code of Conduct, which reflects a Catholic school as a place of politeness, decorum and serious work.

Students who do not adhere to the dress policy will have a phone call made to a parent/guardian to bring appropriate clothing to school. If that is not possible then your child will do their school work in the office area for the day.



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In the Area of Communication

Congratulations to the Gr 7 & 8's....

On Tuesday, May 31 many of the Grade 8's received the sacrament of Confirmation. On Thursday, June 2, some of the grade 7's also were confirmed. What a special gift. Thank you to the church, parents and teachers who helped prepare the children for such an important and special sacrament!



TD Summer Reading Club

@ the Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library

Want access to exclusive programs, contests, and fun? Join the BWG Public Library's FREE summer reading club for **children ages 3-12**, running from **July 4—August 19**. Stop by during club hours to register and receive your free activity booklet and reading log. Best of all, it's a great reason to keep reading all summer long!

Club Hours: July 4 – August 19

Mondays: 10:00am-8:00pm

Tuesday: 10:00am-8:00pm

Wednesday: 10:00am-5:00pm

Thursdays: 10:00am-5:00pm

Fridays: 10:00am-5:00pm

Join us for a special launch party on June 25 from 11am—1pm and be among the first to register for our club! Visit us online at www.bradford.library.on.ca for more details about programs and contests for TD SRC Club members!

LOST and Found

Lost & Found is displayed in the front hallway for students and parents to check through. All items will remain there until Monday, June 20, 2016 and then will be donated to a charity.

Fill 'er Up!

Parent Council in conjunction with MTB has just installed two water bottle filling stations! One is located on the first floor and the second is on the upper floor. Students are encouraged to fill their reusable bottles at these stations. Our bottle fillers provide convenient hydration with a rapid fill of filtered water to quench students' thirst and minimize plastic bottle waste in the environment. Thank you Parent Council for all of your fund raising efforts!

Please Leave Dogs at Home

Please do not bring dogs onto school property particularly at the end of the day. We want to ensure the safety of our students and help anxious students feel safe.

Moving to a new house? Check to make sure that you are still within our boundaries

If you are aware that your child will not be returning to Mother Teresa Catholic School in September due to a move or any other reason, please inform the school **in writing** as soon as possible so that we can plan adequately for the next school year. Also if you are moving to a new house in Bradford, please make sure to confirm your child's designate school with us. Information is also available on our website.

Report Cards

Reports are being distributed the last week in June 2016.

First Day Procedure

On September 6, the first day of school, students in grades 1 to 7 are asked to go to this year's teacher and they will be escorted to their 2016/17 class room.

Kindergarten

Registration Continues

Please call the school to arrange an appointment! 905-778-0617



Looking Ahead

June 7	Last day for EQAO
June 10	Swim to Survive Gr. 3's
June 14	Toronto Zoo-Ms. Dobney, Mrs. Montevirgen & Ms. Jarvis' classes Parent Council Year End Social 6:30pm
June 15	CN Tower & Ripley's Aquarium- Gr. 8's
June 16	Kindergarten to Elmvale Zoo Lion's Park then Bowling- Ms. Theriault, Mrs. Pereira & Ms. Jarvis' classes
June 17	Year End Mass at Holy Martyr's 9:30am
June 20	Last day for Lost and Found display
June 22	9:30am Graduation Breakfast - for graduates only 11:30am Clap Out - graduates move through the halls and the rest of the student body applauds them 6:30pm Mass at Holy Martyrs 7:30pm Awards Ceremony – Holy Martyrs Hall 8:30-10:30pm Dance – for graduates only (families return home).
	If your child is not returning to class after the clap-out, or will not be returning to school after graduation, a letter must be provided to the office declaring these intentions.
June 23	R.O.M.- Mrs. Abate- Campbell, Mrs. Viverios, Ms. Pavone & Ms. Garagan's classes
June 24	Swim to Survive Gr. 3's
June 27	Christ-Like Assembly 12:10am
Last Week	Report Cards go home JK- Grade 8 Summer Reading Club Speaker visits classes JK – 6
June 29	Year End Assembly Last school day for 2015-2016 year
June 30	PA Day – no school for students
Sept. 6	First Day of School for students