

St. Stephen's School – "Week at a Glance"

Monday, May 5th– Friday, May 9th, 2025

Parent/Guardian Memo #13

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

— Mahatma Gandhi

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of our staff and students, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for your tremendous support of our recent chocolate bar fundraiser. Thanks to your enthusiasm and generosity, we anticipate raising close to \$5,000 once all the money is collected. Please make to pay for it via school cash online.

These funds will make a meaningful impact in our school community. The proceeds will go toward:

- Purchasing new sports equipment, including a new volleyball net
- Enhancing student learning resources
- Subsidizing transportation costs for end-of-year trips

We also want to update you on the status of our playground equipment. We are currently in the process of obtaining quotes to make the necessary repairs. Unfortunately, if these repairs cannot be completed, the equipment will need to be removed for safety reasons. The cost of repairs will require additional fundraising through our Parent Council or donations from the school community.

Thank you again for your continued involvement and support. Together, we are making a difference in the learning and enjoyment of all our students. Please make sure to take a look at the upcoming events and friendly reminders at the bottom of this memo.

Mr. Docherty

Monday, May 5, 2025	Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sub Day• National Day of Awareness and Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG) in Canada. This day is also known as Red Dress Day.• Catholic Education Week Activities: Chalk it up (kind messages)• Chocolate bar fundraiser ends (cash online)
Tuesday, May 6, 2025	Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Snack Day• Catholic Education Week Activities: Presentation on Saints
Wednesday, May 7, 2025	Day 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Catholic Education Week Activities: CEW Mass
Thursday, May 8, 2025	Day 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Snack Day• Catholic Education Week Activities: Whole school activity
Friday, May 9, 2025	Day 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Catholic Education Week Activities: Chef à l'École (gym closed all day)• Mass 9:00 (Kindergarten & Grade 1/2)- Mother's Day celebration 1:30 @ Nolan's Garden (if raining: Church Parish Hall)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza Day • Name that Song and Random Acts of Kindness Draw (2:00) • Fundraiser Draws
--	--	---

****Upcoming Dates/Events:**

<p>May 4-10 Catholic Education Week</p> <p>May 4 First Holy Communion (@10:30 St. Stephen Church)</p> <p>May 11 Mother's Day</p> <p>May 15 Crazy Hair Day</p> <p>May 21 Dress as your favourite Superhero</p> <p>May 18 Confirmation (@ 1:30 St. Stephen Church)</p> <p>May 26-30 EQAO testing grade 3's</p> <p>June 4-11 EQAO testing grade 6's</p> <p>June 4 Wacky Hair Day</p> <p>June 4 Kinder Orientation (1:45)</p> <p>June 5 Grades 2/3, 3/4, 4/5 trip to Adventure Village</p> <p>June 6 PA Day</p> <p>June 6 Ag Day is free is set to take place between (11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.) in the Market Square and Sgt. Andrew Harnett Memorial Park is in the centre of Hagersville.</p> <p>June 10 Wear Tye Dye Day</p> <p>June 12 Trip to firehall (Kindergarten)</p> <p>June 13 Grade 7/8 trip to Niagara Falls</p> <p>June 17 Grade 6/7 trip to Tree Top Trekking</p> <p>June 18 Play Day (Rain date June 25)</p> <p>June 19 Swim to Survive Grade 3's and 7's</p> <p>June 20 Grade 8 Graduation Mass</p> <p>June 20 Swim to Survive grade 3's and 7's</p> <p>June 20 SK Grad and Hawaiian Day</p> <p>June 13 Mass (Kindergarten) and Father's Day Picnic</p> <p>June 24 Grades K, 1/2 trip to Twin Valley Zoo</p> <p>June 26 Canada Day (wear red and white)</p>
--

FYI

Message from Transportation

Moving over the summer? Let transportation know so that your new address is ready to receive services for September! If you are moving over the summer, please let transportation know what your new address is so that they can plan services for you for the new school year. Transportation staff are working over the summer months and are happy to process any changes at that time.

The form is available

at: https://transinfobhn.ca/Workflow/Forms/CA_ON_STSBHN/TransportationRequestV2.aspx?FormVersionId=66a06590-83cc-4c0e-ba9b-29f0a2d09efc

Looking to accessing transportation details for September? Access to the transportation portal, available at: <https://transinfobhn.ca/Login>, will be opened to the public on August 6th, 2025. If services on the portal are not accurate or if you have questions, please contact transportation directly to discuss. Transportation can be reached by emailing transportation@stsbhn.ca or by calling 519-751-7532. Updates received and processed before August 27th at noon will be in effect for the first day of school.

Don't forget to check out the Chipmunk app this school year. The app is free and allows families to track the path of their bus and to be given notification when the bus is getting close to your assigned bus stop. More information on the app is available by visiting: <https://stsbhn.ca/faqs>

All the best,

Philip Kuckyt
([pronounce](#))

Senior Manager of Transportation Services
Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk
347 Erie Ave, Brantford, ON N3T 5V3
Office: 519-751-7532, ext 5 | Fax: 519-751-1536 www.stsbhn.ca | Follow us on Twitter: @STSBHN | Access our portal: transinfobhn.ca

CAMP BLAST



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM:

Camp BLAST is a summer literacy intervention program that is aimed at helping to consolidate apparent gaps in reading/writing for students who are in Grade 1 or Gr. 2. Attendees will engage in daily small-group literacy instruction, while also having opportunities to explore fun camp themes and cooperative activities.

DATES/TIMES:

Camp BLAST runs from:
July 7-11 / 14-18 / 21-25

Time: programming begins promptly at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 12:30 p.m.

*Committed **daily** attendance for all 3-weeks is a prerequisite for admittance into the program.

LOCATIONS

Camp BLAST will be facilitated at 4 sites across the district:

Site 1: St. Frances (Norfolk Schools)

Site 2: St. Pius (Brantford Schools)

Site 3: MDL (Brantford & Brant Schools)

Site 4: Notre Dame, Caledonia (Haldimand Schools)

Feeder School Information			
St. Frances	St. Pius	MDL	Notre Dame Caledonia
St. Joes	St. Pius	MDL	ND (C)
St. Frances	Holy Family	St. Basil	St. Pats (C)
OLOF	Sacred Heart (P)	St. Gabes	St. Mikes (D)
St. Bernard	Notre Dame (B)	Holy Cross	St. Stephens
St. Mikes (W)	OLOP	St. Theresa	St. Mary (H)
Sacred Heart (L)	St. Leo	St. Peter	
St. Cecilia	Res / CTK	Blessed Sac.	
	St. Pats (B)		

*Parents/Guardians are expected to provide transportation to and from Camp BLAST daily.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Camp BLAST is a fun and engaging experience for your child. While attending, students will be engaged in fun theme-days and parents/guardians will be provided with at-home support. Students are required to bring snacks and a lunch daily.

Confirmation of acceptance into the program will be received by Monday, June 2nd

