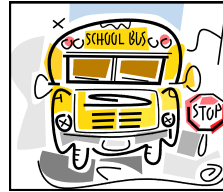


# Faith, Teamwork, Excellence



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Final Day of School is THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2017.  
Dismissal is 11:55 a.m. (Buses leave upon arrival).  
Please respect these times and celebrate a happy year.

Our St. Margaret Mary School Community thanks Father Bergsma for his Spiritual leadership of the Parish and our Catholic Elementary School. He presided over our Masses, Sacraments and Liturgies. In his last month with us, we offer him our prayers and smiles. Our final Mass as a school with Father will be Thursday June 22, 2017. All are welcome to attend.

## SEPTEMBER CLASSROOM PLACEMENTS

We are in the process of preparing class lists for September.

Staff work collaboratively to determine which classroom placement will benefit the students and provide for the delivery of the best possible programme.

There are many factors to consider including (not limited to);

**Accommodations for our special needs children.**

**Students who are on similar academic programmes and levels of programmes.**

**Number of boys and girls.**

Combined (split) classes are a reality. They are a result of having too many students for one class and not enough for two. Sometimes combined classes are chosen as the most appropriate classroom organization for programme delivery. Every effort is made, where possible, to place children who were in a combined class one year, into the straight class the next year, but this is not always possible.

As you can appreciate, it is not an easy process and it is virtually impossible to "keep everyone satisfied".

In organizing the school, an attempt is made to have teachers of the same grade have Planning Time at the same period, so they can plan together, thus facilitating programme continuity between classes.

Please be aware that we spend hours compiling class lists and we do our best to do it the fairest way.

We will do our best to have class lists ready so students will be able to know their classes for next year. Final decisions remain the Principal's.

Thank you for your understanding and support.  
Your understanding is greatly appreciated!

June 2017

Director of Education  
Mr. D. Hansen

Superintendent  
Mrs. S. Pizzuti

Trustee  
Mr. J. Baiardo

Principal  
Mr. J. Coons

Principal Intern  
Mrs. L. Piro-Cinelli

St. Margaret Mary Parish  
Fr. Bergsma  
(905) 388 - 2200

Weekend Masses  
Sat. 7:00 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am /  
10:15 am / 12:00 noon

## BEFORE AND AFTER

Contact Mrs. Butera at  
(c ) 289 776 7690 for any  
questions you may have.

*St. Margaret Mary Prayer*

*Eternal Father,*

*You entrusted St. Margaret Mary  
with the grace to spread devotion to  
the Sacred Heart of Jesus.*

*Help us embrace the love of Christ  
by following Saint Margaret Mary's  
loving example.*

*Guide us along the right path and  
bless us as we seek to unite  
ourselves to You in all our thoughts,  
our words and our actions.*

*May we, like Saint Margaret  
Mary, always find lasting strength,  
courage and peace in You.*

*We ask this through the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus, who lives and  
reigns with You and the  
Holy Spirit, One God, forever  
and ever. Amen*

We have enjoyed a wonderful year of teams and clubs representing our school at the highest level in our Board, our City and beyond. Our students have used the blessings God gave them, fostered by the support of family, staff and teammates and enjoyed personal best athletic achievement and demonstration of academic proficiency.

Highlights include: Gold Medal ECO Status (Faith = Stewardship of Creation)  
 Jr. Boys Basketball City Champions (Teamwork)  
 BASEF and System Science Fair Gold (Excellence)  
 Scripture, Public Speaking Gold

## INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE OPPORTUNITY



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. The summer International Languages Program is designed for elementary school age children who will be attending Full Day Kindergarten to Grade 8 in the 2016-2017 school year. 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. During the month of July, St. Charles Adult and Continuing Education offers free language classes in many of the elementary schools of the Hamilton Wentworth Catholic District School Board. These take place from Monday to Friday for 2 ½ hours per day beginning at 9:00 a.m. or 9:30 a.m. **No prior knowledge** of the language is necessary. This is a continuous-entry program; students can register any time during the month of July.

To see which schools are offering this program, the time and the languages being taught, please refer to the International Languages Program flyer at [www.st.charles.ca](http://www.st.charles.ca)

We are blessed to have such an enthusiastic ECO team at our school. Thank you to all especially Mrs. Bierhuizen, Mrs. McSweeney and Mr. Kelly for their leadership. We have so many students who are ECO Leaders!



## CLOTHES CLOSET

Thank you to all the families that help us out with our clothes closet by donating gently used items. If your child has outgrown their uniform or clothing please feel free to donate them to the Clothes Closet.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

As the year winds down we look forward to one more exciting event hosted by the Catholic School Council.

Our Family Fun Fest will be held on Wednesday June 15, 2017 from 5—7:30 p.m.

As is tradition, the event includes: Treats for all children (Sno Cones)

Food trucks to provide food choices for all. Bring money to the event to purchase.

Bouncy Castles for young children. Activities in the Gym for fun.

Music and entertainment

See the event flyer posted on our School Web Site under Catholic School Council.



### *HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED ADOPTING?*

*Would you like to hear more about the process through CCASH?*

**Please join us for an upcoming Adoption Information Night**

Wednesday, June 7 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton, 735 King St. East

For more information and to register please call (905) 525-2012

### **PLANNING ON MOVING?**

If you are planning on moving in the near future, would you please inform the office at (905) 383.8122 or send us a note. If you are planning on a late return to school (after September 6th) please let the school know your expected time of arrival back to school. It will assist us in our planning for September.

REPORT CARDS TO GO HOME TO FAMILIES Tuesday June 27, 2017

### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

THURSDAY, JUNE 30 2017 11:55 a.m.

(3 hours before regular dismissal)

We will gather together in the school yard and celebrate the end of our school year. O Canada, in red and white clothes, ends our year. Please let your teacher know if students leave school early.

