

# St. Padre Pio Catholic School

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## October 18th, 2024

### Interim Director of Education

Mr. J. De Faveri

### Catholic School Trustee

Ms. M. Barbieri

### School Superintendent

Ms. A. Iafrate

### Pastor(s)

Rev. George Parayil

### Principal

Mr. A. Modica

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**Multi-Year Strategic Plan**

- Mission:** With Jesus Christ as our model, we provide all students with a Catholic education rooted in equity, well-being and learning.
- Core Values:** Catholicity, Excellence, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, Fiscal Responsibility, Integrity, Respect
- Vision:** A recognized leader in Catholic education committed to inclusion, excellence and innovation that develops socially responsible global citizens.
- Strategic Commitments:** Catholic Faith, Equity and Inclusion, Student Achievement, Well-Being

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Our Thanksgiving Mass this past Thursday was a wonderful opportunity for our school community to celebrate and give thanks for everyone and everything we cherish. Thank you to Father George and our Grade 2 students for their work and preparation in organizing the celebration.

Thank you to all of our families who were able to donate on Thursday as part of our Civvies Day. Please note that this Monday, October 21st is a PA Day, and there is no school for students.

Please see the information below for details on our upcoming week together.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica  
Principal

**To report student absences and lates,**  
call 1-855-856-7862  
or visit  
[go.schoolmessenger.ca](http://go.schoolmessenger.ca)

**Our School Day:**  
8:15 - Supervision Begins  
8:30 - Classes Begin  
9:50-10:05 - AM Recess  
11:25-12:25 - Lunch  
1:45 - 2:00 -PM Recess  
3:20 - End of Day

## Earth Rangers Battery Blitz

St. Padre Pio's Student Leadership Team has partnered with the Earth Rangers to help recycle batteries to help the environment. Please see the poster below for details.



**BATTERY  
BLITZ  
EARTH  
MISSION**

October 1st-  
October 31st  
2024

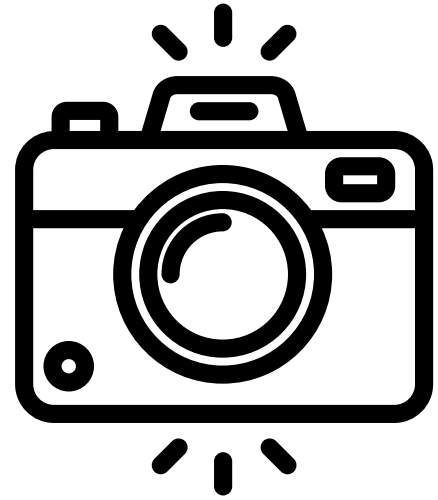
Bring in your used  
batteries to help our  
environment!

St. Padre Pio can win a **BIG CASH PRIZE** for bringing in the most used batteries.

By bringing in your used batteries, you are preventing them from ending up in landfills, which adds waste to the environment. This initiative is also protecting all the animals you love from being endangered!

## Fall Picture Retake Day

Please note that our Fall Picture Retake Day is scheduled for the morning of Friday, November 1st, 2024. Any students who did not have an opportunity to take their picture will have the chance to do so on this day.



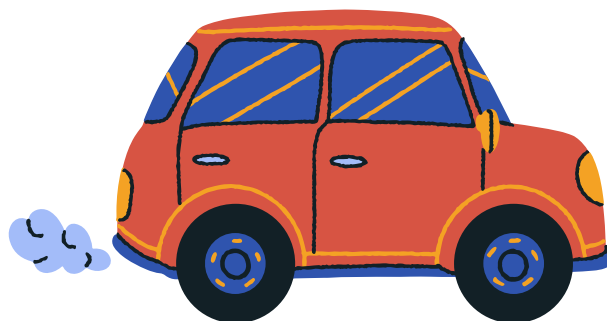
## CSC Meeting



On Wednesday, October 23rd, 2024 our new Catholic School Council will be meeting at 7:00 pm in the library. Parents are welcome to attend.

## Kiss and Ride Reminders

- Please be patient when using the Kiss and Ride.
- Please do not park on the right side of the Kiss and Ride (Right Side).
- Once students are at a safe distance away, ensure it is safe and pull out of the Kiss and Ride to exit the area.
- Should you wish to park and drop off your child/children, please park in a parking space if available) or on the street (by-law permitting) and safely walk your child to school.



### Halloween Fundraiser

St. Padre Pio CES will be holding a fundraiser through our **Halloween Dance-a-thon**.

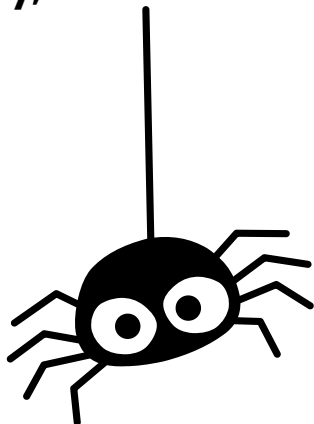
It is also a "Tax Deductible Donation" fundraiser. The major benefits of this type of fundraiser are:

- 100% of the proceeds stay in the school.
- Tax receipts are available for **individual cheque** donations of \$25 or more; cheques must be made out to **York Catholic District School Board**.

The community is strongly encouraged to utilize the York Catholic District School Board's online payment system for donations to the school at [www.canadahelps.org](http://www.canadahelps.org). This is a safe and secure method to make an **individual** donation to the school through an online payment method and receive a tax receipt immediately.

- **York Catholic District School Board Aurora** is the charity name.
- Select the **school name** from the "Apply your donation to a specific fund set up by this charity" **drop-down list**.
- To identify this donation for a particular student, indicate the student's name in the "send a message for this charity" or the "in honour" section below.

Pledge forms went home with students today! Please return all donations and forms by **Friday, November 1st, 2024**.



## Halloween and Catholic Schools

As Halloween approaches please note the following reminders regarding Halloween:

- Costumes should be of simple design (to limit personal items being brought to school), and treats should not be shared.
- When in doubt, think saint.
- Masks should not be worn to school, as they present a safety risk, and some masks may even be quite scary to the younger students.
- Parents and students should think creatively and critically when choosing a costume, ensuring and honouring the dignity of each human person.

## October: Walking Wednesdays

A friendly reminder that our Walking Wednesdays will continue for the month of October! Thank you to all of those who are able to participate and to our Healthy Schools Committee for organizing.

### QUALITY LEARNING FOR ALL

## YCDSB PA Day: Monday, October 21st

Monday, October 21st, will be a PA Day. There is no school for students.

As mentioned in the YCDSB's parent email, our staff will be participating in several activities throughout the day which include the review of school data, setting school goals as well as the completion of virtual health and safety modules.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

### **October**

**Monday, Oct. 21st**

PA Day (No School For Students)

**Wednesday, Oct. 23rd**

CSC Meeting (7:00 pm)

**Thursday, Oct. 31st**

Halloween Dance

### **November**

**Friday, Nov. 1st, 2024**

Picture Re-Take Day (AM)

**Thursday, Nov. 7th**

School-Wide Assembly:  
Mr. Karl Subban: Reaching Your  
Potential

**Friday, Nov. 8th**

YRPH Immunization Clinic  
(Grades 7 & 8)

**Tuesday, Nov. 12th**

Progress Reports Available on Parent  
Portal after 4:00 pm

**Thursday, Nov. 14th and  
Friday Nov. 15th**

Parent-Teach Interviews

**Monday, Nov. 18th**

CSC Meeting (7:00 pm)