

# St. Padre Pio Catholic School

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**May 19th, 2025**

## Interim Director of Education

Mr. J. De Faveri

## Catholic School Trustee

Ms. M. Barbieri

## School Superintendent

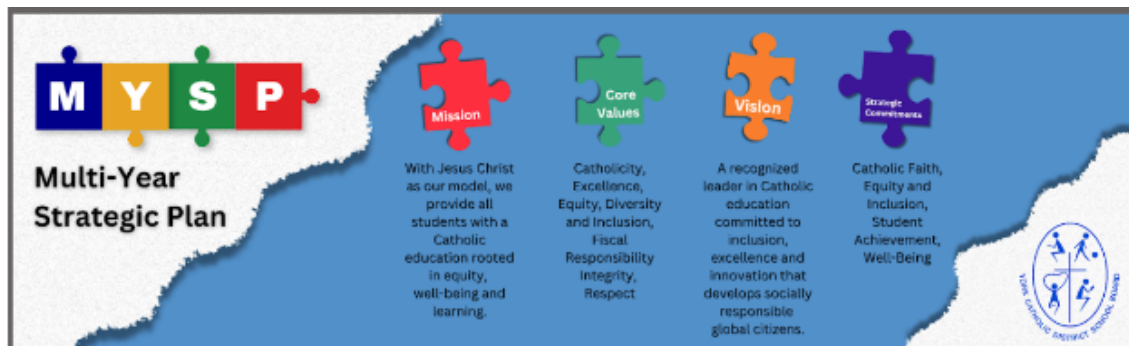
Ms. A. Iafrate

## Pastor

Rev. George Parayil

## Principal

Mr. A. Modica



Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

This Monday, May 19th, 2025, is Victoria Day, and our school is closed. We look forward to welcoming back students on Tuesday, May 20th, 2025. May the long weekend bring families an opportunity to create wonderful memories together.

Please see the information below for our upcoming week at St. Padre Pio.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica  
Principal

## To report student absences and lates,

call 1-855-856-7862  
or visit  
[go.schoolmessenger.ca](https://go.schoolmessenger.ca)

## Our School Day:

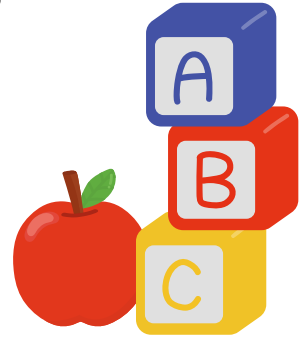
8:15 - Supervision Begins  
8:30 - Classes Begin  
9:50-10:05 - AM Recess  
11:25-12:25 - Lunch  
1:45 - 2:00 -PM Recess  
3:20 - End of Day

# CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF FAITH

## WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

On the morning of Thursday, May 29th, 2025, we welcome families whose child/children will be entering Junior Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year. Information has gone out to families who have registered at the school.

The session will last approximately one hour, with a 10-minute interview with parents.



We look forward to seeing our families on this exciting day.

## SAFE & CARING SCHOOL COMMUNITY

### HOT WEATHER ACTION PLAN

A Hot Weather Action Plan is implemented when the humidex is over 35°C or when heat waves occur during 3 consecutive days reaching 32°C or higher temperatures.

At St. Padre Pio, prevention measures will include:

- Shortening the length of recess or calling indoor routines
- Personal water bottles will be allowed at student desks and outside if necessary.
- Staff and students must monitor their activity level and take water breaks to remain adequately hydrated, especially during lunch hour.
- When needed, windows can remain open, and lights will be turned off.
- Parents are reminded to have students wear lightweight, light-coloured clothing as well as hats, sun visors, sunscreen, etc.
- Please apply sunscreen at home before your child comes to school
- Classes may rotate through the library for a cooling break.
- Each class will be provided with a fan.



# Fight the Bite! AGAINST BLACKLEGGED TICKS AND LYME DISEASE



## WHAT ARE BLACKLEGGED TICKS?

Ticks are small bugs that feed off the blood of animals and humans. Adult ticks are the size of a sesame seed. Nymphs (adolescent ticks) are no bigger than a poppy seed.

Ticks attach themselves to people or animals who brush past. Most tick bites are painless and ticks can attach themselves and feed for up to five days.

Ticks can be found on tall grasses and bushes in wooded areas almost anywhere in Ontario including York Region.

## WHAT IS LYME DISEASE?



Lyme disease is caused by a bacteria called *Borrelia burgdorferi* which is spread through the bite of an infected blacklegged tick. Not all ticks are infected with the bacteria.

## SYMPTOMS OF LYME DISEASE MAY INCLUDE:

- A skin rash
- Fatigue or weakness
- Headache
- Fever or chills
- Dizziness or confusion
- Muscle and joint pain
- Swollen lymph nodes

Most people will start to show signs of illness within one to two weeks. See your health care provider if you develop symptoms of Lyme disease after a tick bite or after visiting a wooded or brushy area.



## PROTECT YOURSELF EACH TIME YOU ARE IN A WOODED OR BRUSHY AREA BY:

- Wearing light-coloured, long pants, long-sleeved tops and closed footwear
- Using an insect repellent containing DEET or icaridin
- Walking in the middle of the trail
- Showering when you get home to remove unattached ticks
- Checking yourself, your family and your pets for ticks
- Removing attached ticks as quickly as possible

## IF YOU FIND A TICK ON YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER REMOVE IT QUICKLY!

1. Grasp the tick with tweezers as close as possible to your skin and pull it straight out
2. Do not put anything on the tick or try to burn it off
3. Disinfect the area with rubbing alcohol
4. Visit [etick.ca](http://etick.ca) for FREE tick identification



For more information on how you can protect yourself and your family from Lyme disease, visit [york.ca/lymedisease](http://york.ca/lymedisease) or call Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653



# ***The City of Vaughan is working to reduce speeding and keep our community safe***

Join a Virtual Public Information Session on Vaughan's 30-kilometre Speed Limit Engagement to have your say.

Registration is now open!

Sign up for an online session:

**Wednesday, May 21 or Tuesday, May 27**  
**7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**



For more information,  
visit [vaughan.ca/30km](https://vaughan.ca/30km)





## EARLY DISMISSAL/PICK UP

A reminder that if you are picking up your child, we ask that you report directly to the main office. Please do not enter the school yard or field. Our Administrative Team will page the student to meet you at the main office, where they can be signed out.

## QUALITY LEARNING FOR ALL

### JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS DIVISIONAL TOURNAMENT

A big congratulations to our Junior Boys and Girls Basketball teams on their incredible effort this season!

Each team played hard-fought tournaments, demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship, teamwork, and skill both on and off the court. They represented St. Padre Pio with great pride.



Thank you for a fantastic season! We are already looking forward to another great season next year. Go Panthers Go!

## EQAO

This year, the EQAO test will be administered at St. Padre Pio on the following dates:

Grade 3: Monday, May 26th, 2025 – Monday, June 2nd, 2025

Grade 6: Tuesday, June 3rd, 2025 – Tuesday, June 10th, 2025

To assist us with the completion of the assessment, we kindly ask the following:

- Wherever possible, please avoid appointments during these dates.
- Make sure students arrive at school on time at 8:30 am.
- Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast.
- Ensure that your child has a good night's sleep and that they go to bed early, so they are well-rested and alert for the test.
- Send your child with a quiet activity to complete when they are done with their section of the assessment.

Thank you.

## LUNCH TIME SUPERVISOR POSITION

Would you be interested in becoming a Lunch Time Supervisor at St. Padre Pio?

Your duties would include supervising students during the lunch hour to ensure student safety both inside the school and outside on the play area.

Please note that interested candidates must have a current Vulnerable Sector Screening.

If you are interested, please send an email to our school account: spp@ycdsb.ca

### May

**Mon. May 26th - Monday June 2nd**  
Gr. 3 EQAO Assessment

**May 26th - May 30th**  
Active School Travel Bike To School Week

**Thurs. May 29th**  
Welcome to Kindergarten/First Impressions

### June

**Tues. June 3rd - Tues. June 10th**  
Gr. 6 EQAO Assessment

**Thurs. June 5th**  
Grade 8 Year-End Extended Day Trip

**Fri. June 6th**  
CSC BBQ

**Mon. June 9th**  
PA Day

**Thurs. June 12th**  
Track and Field Meet at York University

**Wed. June 18th**  
SK Growing Celebration

**Thurs. June 19th**  
St. Padre Pio Graduation Mass at St. Padre Pio Parish (10:30 am)

