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December 15th, 2025

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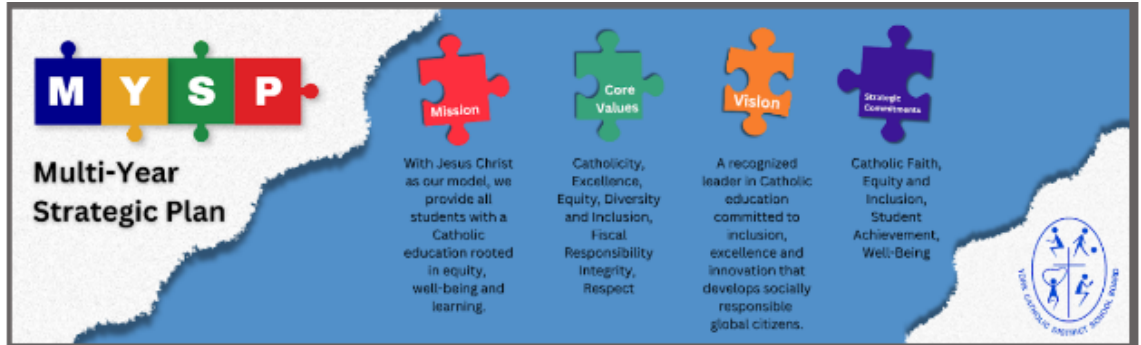
Mr. A. Modica

Senior Secretary

Ms. A. Bosco-Bonifacio

General Secretary

Ms. C. Recchia



Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

This week is our last week together before the Christmas break. Thank you to our Student Leadership Committee for organizing our free Christmas Spirit Week. It's also not too late to donate to the Vaughan Food Bank Winter Clothing Drive. We will continue to accept donations until this Wednesday.

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

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

WINTER CLOTHING DONATIONS FOR THE VAUGHAN FOOD BANK

Thank you to our school community for supporting the Winter Clothing Drive for the Vaughan Food Bank. Your generosity will go to help those in need this holiday season. Donations will continue to be collected until Wednesday.



ADVENT PRAYER

I would like to take the opportunity to share our Advent prayer. Please feel free to share this prayer with your family over the holidays as we continue our journey of Advent to the birth of Christ on Christmas.

God's hope to direct me,
God's love to surround me,
God's joy to warm me,
God's peace to comfort me,
Bless our Advent journey to Christmas with light and patience.
Amen

COMMUNITY WELLNESS REMINDER

During the winter months, it's common for students to experience colds or the flu. To help keep everyone healthy, please encourage your child to practice proper hand and respiratory hygiene, such as washing hands regularly, disposing of used tissues properly, and sneezing or coughing into their elbow.

If your child is feeling unwell, we kindly ask that you allow them to rest and recover at home. This not only helps them recuperate but also serves as an important preventative measure to support the health of our entire school community.

Thank you for your cooperation.



QUALITY LEARNING FOR ALL

WINTER CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES

- A friendly reminder that students are encouraged to wear layered clothing during the winter weather.
- This includes hats, gloves, scarves, snow pants, and winter boots.
- We are encouraging all students to wear winter boots and snow pants, especially if they would like to play on the field or in the snow.
- Our Intermediate Grades must have boots and are encouraged to wear snow pants if they would like to be on the field.
- It is always a good practice to ensure students have extra clothing.
- Thank you for your continued support.



COLD WEATHER ACTION PLAN

The cold weather is upon us. Please ensure that students bring their winter hats, snow pants, boots, gloves, scarves, and winter jackets to dress appropriately and safely for the weather.

Our school, in cooperation with our Catholic School Council, has set the extreme cold weather temperature (including wind chill) at -17 degrees Celsius.

When this temperature is reached the following strategies may be implemented:

- Operate an indoor routine or a shortened outdoor routine of up to 20 minutes.
- Students are monitored for signs of frostbite, frostnip, or difficulty breathing.
- Students are reminded to stay dry, dress in layers of warm clothing with an outer layer that is wind-resistant, wear proper head coverings, gloves, and winter boots.

EQAO SCORES 2024-2025 ASSESSMENT

EQAO results were recently released. Students in Grades 4 and 7 who wrote the test last year will have their individual student report go home with them.

To view our school's scores, you can use the EQAO interactive dashboard on the [EQAO Website](#).

For information on upcoming EQAO parent sessions, please see the details below.

**Education Quality and
Accountability Office**



FREE PARENT EQAO WEBINAR (Math)- WINTER 2026

EQAO is offering a free live webinar for parents/guardians of elementary and secondary school students participating in the Grades 3, 6, and 9 EQAO Mathematics Assessments.

EQAO staff will discuss math questions that Ontario students encounter when they participate in Ontario's large-scale assessments. These assessments are administered to all Ontario students in Grades 3, 6, and 9. During the webinar, EQAO staff will show how these math questions help assess the skills students are learning in their math classes. Staff will also share valuable insights from EQAO research into assessment results, which can help parents and guardians support their children's math learning.

Webinar dates:

- January 28, 2026, starting at 12:30 pm
- January 29, 2026, starting at 12:00 pm

Click [here](#) for registration.

FREE PARENT EQAO WEBINAR (Reading & Writing)- WINTER 2026

EQAO is offering a free live webinar for parents/guardians of elementary and secondary school students participating in the Reading Assessments for Grades 3 and 6 and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT).

You can join them for a free live webinar about how EQAO assesses students' reading skills at key stages of their education. EQAO staff will discuss reading samples and questions from the Primary & Junior Reading Assessments, and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Participants will hear how these reading passages and questions help assess the skills students are learning in class. EQAO staff will also highlight valuable insights and resources that can help parents and guardians support their child's learning.

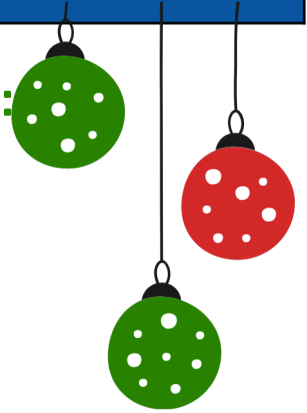
Webinar date:

- January 20, 2026, starting at 6:00 pm

Click [here](#) for registration.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

SPP CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK



**MONDAY
DEC 15**

Grinch vs. Santa Day

Wear either a red or green shirt to show who you support this Christmas !

UNIFORM BOTTOMS



**TUESDAY
DEC 16**

Team Day

Show your support for your favourite winter sports team! Wear team colours, a jersey, or accessories.

UNIFORM BOTTOMS



**WEDNESDAY
DEC 17**

Christmas Accessory Day

Wear your favourite fun and festive accessories today!

UNIFORM SHIRTS & BOTTOMS



**THURSDAY
DEC 18**

Christmas Sweater Day

Wear your favourite warm and cozy Christmas sweater!

UNIFORM BOTTOMS



**FRIDAY
19/12**

Cozy Flannel Day

Wear your favourite flannels to keep you warm during the holidays!

CIVVIES DAY



WELCOME ST. JEAN DE BREBEUF BAND

This Thursday, we welcome the Ursa Major St. Jean de Brebeuf band who will be sharing the gift of music with our students.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Decemeber

Mon. Dec. 15th - Fri. Dec. 19th
Spirit Week (Free)

Wednesday, Dec. 17th
Ukulele Kids Final Class &
Presentation

Thursday, Dec. 18th
SJB Band Visits SPP

Christmas Break
Dec. 22nd, 2025 - Jan. 2nd, 2026

Thursday, Dec. 25th, 2025
Merry Christmas!

January

Thursday, Jan. 1st, 2026
Happy New Year!

Monday, January 5th, 2026
School Reopens