

St. Padre Pio Catholic School

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Week of March 2nd, 2026

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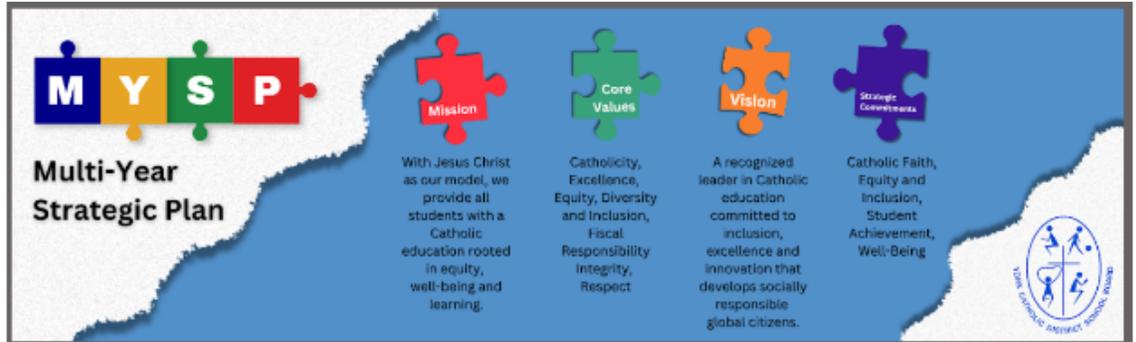
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Senior Secretary

Ms. A. Bosco-Bonifacio

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Ms. C. Recchia



Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Kindness Week theme days and activities.

As we look forward to the month of March, students are reminded to continue to dress appropriately for the weather, which includes wearing their coats and outdoor boots/shoes.

Lastly, this Friday, March 6th, 2026, will be a paid civvies day.

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

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica
Principal

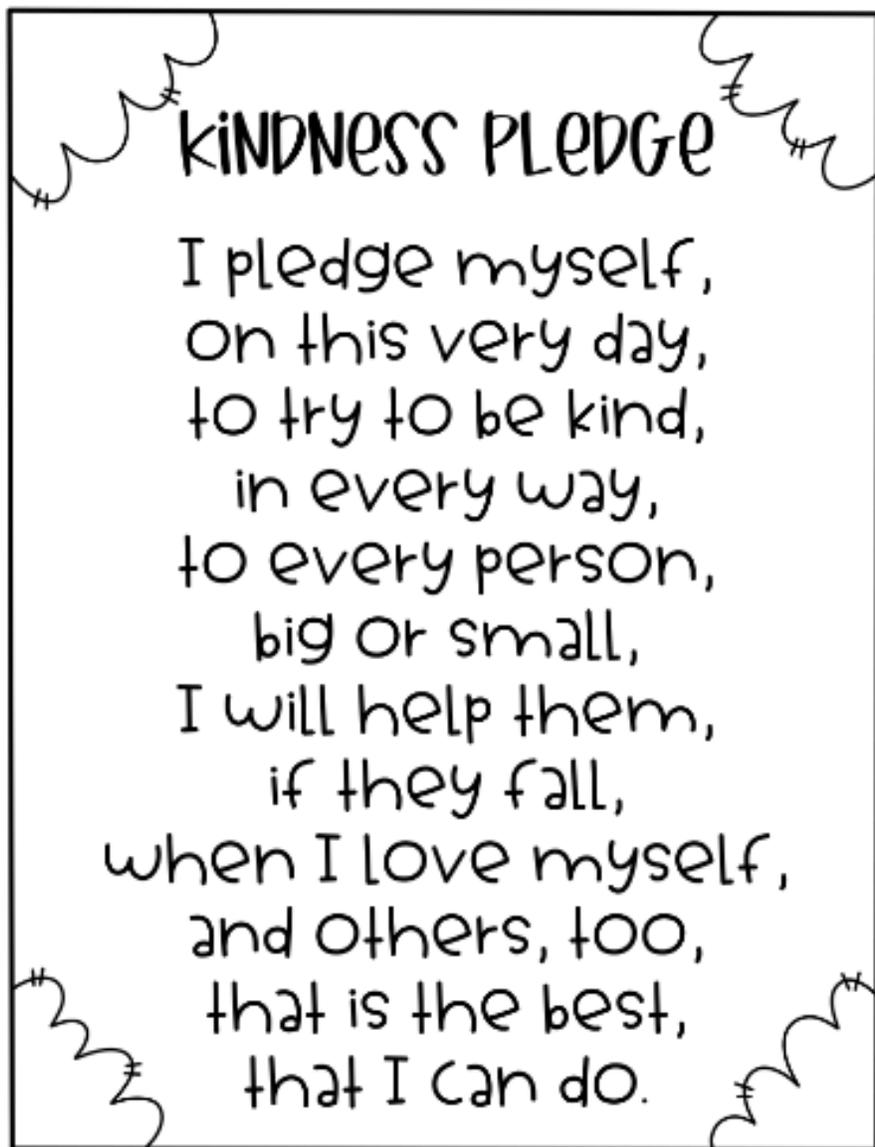
To report student absences and lates,
call 1-855-856-7862
or visit
go.schoolmessenger.ca

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

KINDNESS WEEK PLEDGE

Throughout Kindness Week, along with our themes and activities, we recited the pledge below to remind our school community that kindness is a gift that we can share with one another every day. Please feel free to read the pledge below with your child/children.



HOT LUNCH UPDATE

On Monday, March 2nd, our **students in Grades 5 to 8** will participate in their rescheduled Tubing Trip to Snow Valley. As a result, their **Stacked Hot Lunch has been moved to Thursday, March 5th**, to accommodate the large number of students on the trip. We would like to thank our Hot Lunch Committee for providing this flexibility.

Please note that students in **Kindergarten to Grade 4 will still receive their hot lunch on Monday, March 2nd.**

Thank you for your continued support.



CIVVIES DAY: FRIDAY, MARCH 6th, 2026

Yesterday, an email was sent home to families regarding our Civvies Day in support of a board-wide fundraising initiative to support Christian schools in the Holy Land. On Friday, March 6th, 2026, students are asked to donate a toonie in exchange for a civvies day to help support this cause as part of our Lenten observances.

The money raised will support the Latin Patriarchate school system, which educates nearly 19,000 students of all faiths in 44 K-12 schools in Jordan, Palestine, and Israel.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

LOOKING FOR HOT LUNCH VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for parent volunteers who are available to assist with the organization and distribution of hot lunches for our next session. The commitment would be once a week from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. If you are available and interested, please email the school at Spp@ycdsb.ca

QUALITY LEARNING FOR ALL

FREE PARENT EQAO WRITING WEBINAR- SPRING 2026

Join representatives from EQAO for a free live webinar about how EQAO assesses students' writing skills at key stages of their education. EQAO staff will discuss writing prompts and questions from the reading component of the primary- and junior-division assessments and from the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Participants will hear how these prompts and questions help assess the skills students are learning in class. Staff will also highlight valuable insights and resources that can help parents and guardians support their child's learning.

Webinar date:

- March 25, 2026, starting at 12:00 pm

Click [here](#) for registration.

**Education Quality and
Accountability Office**



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Dear Families and Community Partners,

Our Lady of Fatima is pleased to invite our school community and neighbouring schools to come together for a special evening presentation:

Connection Over Perfection: Supporting Kids Through Life's Hard Moments

Children don't need perfect parents, they need parents who can help them navigate challenges with connection and confidence. In this engaging follow-up talk, Dr. Eduardo Roldan, Ph.D., C.Psych., Clinical and School Psychologist and Director of Child and Adolescent Services of EPS Family Health, will explore how resilience develops, how grit can look different across areas of a child's life, and why our instinct to "fix" problems can sometimes get in the way.

Drawing on real-world examples and practical, parent-friendly tools from the SPACE model, participants will learn strategies to support their child's emotional growth while knowing when to step back. This session is designed to be hopeful, empowering, and practical, offering tools families can use right away.

Event Details

- Date: March 3, 2026
- Time: 7:00 p.m.
- Hosted by: Our Lady of Fatima (191 Crofters Road, Woodbridge)
- Please let us know you plan to attend by registering here: [Register on Eventbrite](#)

CONNECTION OVER PERFECTION

Supporting Kids Through
Life's Hard Moments

**Dr. Eduardo Roldan,
Ph.D., C.Psych,**

Clinical and School Psychologist,
Director of Child and Adolescent Services
& Co-Founder of EPS Family Health

Children don't need perfect parents. They need parents who can help them navigate challenges with connection and confidence.

In this follow-up talk, **Dr. Eduardo Roldan** takes a closer look at how resilience develops, how grit can look different across areas of a child's life, and why our instinct to "fix" problems can sometimes get in the way.

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March 3, 2026 at 7:00pm

Hosted by Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima invites our neighbouring schools to come together as a community for an evening with Dr. Ed Roldan on the topic.

***Connection Over Perfection: Supporting Kids Through
Life's Hard Moments.***

HOT LUNCH PICK UP REMINDER

If you would like to pick up your child's hot lunch due to an absence, we kindly request that you contact the main office before 10:00 a.m. to ensure we are able to accommodate the request. We can be reached by email or telephone: sppe@cdsb.ca

Thank you for your continued support of our Hot Lunch Program.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

March

2nd - Rescheduled Tubing Trip to Snow Valley (Grade 5 to 8)

5th - First Communion Reconciliation at St. Padre Pio Parish (6:30 p.m.)

6th - Civvies Day (\$2)

12th - Board-Wide Virtual Lenten Mass

12th - Confirmation Reconciliation at St. Padre Pio Parish (7:00 p.m.)

16th - March Break Begins

20th - March Break Ends

23rd - ShareLife Week

24th - Intermediate Boys Basketball At St. Gabriel the Archangel

25th - Intermediate Girls Basketball at St. Padre Pio

30th - Holy Week Begins