

St. Padre Pio Catholic School

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Week of May 4th, 2026

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General Secretary

Ms. C. Recchia

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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),

We are grateful to announce that through our loonie/toonie drive, we have raised \$281.80 for Vaughan in Motion. Thank you again for your support.

As part of their Halloween Fundraiser prizes, we will be having a FREE Civvies week in celebration of Catholic Education Week. Students will be participating in a variety of activities throughout the week, including our Art Show (Please see the flyer below for details).

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

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica
Principal

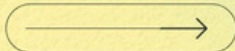
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Our School Day:
8:15 - Supervision Begins
8:30 - Classes Begin
9:50-10:05 - AM Recess
11:25-12:25 - Lunch
1:45 - 2:00 -PM Recess
3:20 - End of Day

ST. PADRE PIO CES **PATH** ART EXHIBITION
to
HOLINESS



ENTER INTO A WORLD OF HOPE
THROUGH PAINTING, PHOTOGRAPHY,
SCULPTURE, AND MORE



TIME: 6:00-7:00 P.M.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- ART PIECES FROM EACH GRADE
- DANCE TEAM PRESENTATION
- INTERACTIVE ART EXHIBITS
- LOTS AND LOTS OF BUBBLES!

WEDNESDAY MAY 6, 2026

770 NAPA VALLEY AVENUE, WOODBRIDGE, ONTARIO

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF FAITH

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

This week, students will participate in a variety of activities. Please find below a highlight of these activities:

Free Civvies Days All Week! (Halloween Fundraiser Prize)

Wednesday, May 6th, 2026

Catholic Education Week Virtual Mass

Classes will join the recorded virtual link at 12:40 p.m. and celebrate Mass together as a school.

St. Padre Pio Art Show (6:00 pm. - 7:00 p.m.)

Join us for an evening to celebrate the Arts. Students have been working hard on their showcase pieces. Popcorn will be sold so bring your toonies!

Our Dance Team will also present in the Gym every 10 minutes, beginning at 6:10 p.m.

Friday, May 8th, 2026

Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea at 10:00 a.m.

During this time, students will share a few activities and surprises that they have been preparing with the important mother figures in their lives.

Living Rosary

Representatives from the Knights of Columbus will be joining us in the gym at 12:45 p.m. to pray the Living Rosary. Parents are welcome to attend.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

This month we celebrate the virtue of responsibility. Our announcements and library will be highlighting the virtue throughout the month. Please see the poster below for interesting information and details.



YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Grades K-4

CATHOLIC VIRTUES

A virtue is the power or attitude to do good.

A Christian virtue is based on the message of Jesus, leading us to become more like God.

Virtues are many, but all our virtues are rooted in the seven traditional virtues.

A PRAYER FOR RESPONSIBILITY

Dear God,
Teach us to recognize that responsibilities are an opportunity for growth.

May our responsibilities guide us to be the best we can be.

Amen



VIRTUE RESPONSIBILITY

Key Words: ACCOUNTABILITY, STEWARDSHIP

Responsibility as a virtue means acting in a way that shows love for our neighbours and creation as gifts of God. The Catholic Church proclaims that every human being has a responsibility to our sisters and brothers wherever they live in the world.

"Use the gifts you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you."
-St. Thérèse of Lisieux



MODELS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Some Saints Who Model this Virtue:

- Saint Joseph
- Saint Brigid

Others Who Model this Virtue:

- those who work for positive social change and peace

Scripture Passage:
"The Parable of the Talents."
(Matt. 25: 14-15, 19-21)



WHEN WE MIGHT NEED THIS VIRTUE:

- when others are depending on us
- when working as part of a group
- when we see something unjust



"I WILL" STATEMENTS

- I will actively care for the good of others and God's creation.
- I will fulfill my commitments even when it becomes difficult to do so.
- I will be accountable for the things I say and do.



MAY: RESPONSIBILITY

KISS AND RIDE SAFETY REMINDERS

I would like to thank all of our families for their support in making our Kiss and Ride safer for our school community. As a reminder, please review the guidelines below, including with family members who may drop off students.

Wait for Your Turn: Please remain in line and wait until you reach an available spot before allowing your child(ren) to exit the vehicle.

Exit onto the Sidewalk: Students should exit the vehicle directly onto the sidewalk only, with all belongings ready to go.

Stay in Your Vehicle: Drivers should remain in the vehicle at all times. Avoid using the trunk during drop-off.

Be Prepared: Ensure your child(ren) are ready to exit with backpacks and belongings as you approach the drop-off area. This helps keep the line moving efficiently.

Exit Safely: Once your child has safely exited and is at a safe distance, check your surroundings and proceed out of the Kiss and Ride area carefully.

Observe the Yellow Gate Boundary: Please do not drive past the yellow gate to drop off students.

Parking Option for Walk-Ups: If you prefer to walk your child to the gate, please park in a designated parking space. Additional parking is available just past the yellow gate on the right.

Street Parking: Families may also choose to park on nearby streets (as permitted by by-laws) and walk their child(ren) safely to school.

Be Careful of Your Speed: To ensure the safety of our school community, please watch your speed when entering and exiting the area.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our students safe and our Kiss and Ride efficient.



ST. PADRE PIO UNIFORM DRESS CODE REMINDER

We thank the parent community for their continued support in the endeavour of upholding our school uniform policy. Staff and administration at St. Padre Pio are continuing to monitor the implementation of the school's uniform policy and we would kindly ask our families to review the following:

All students must wear:

- Navy dress pants/walking shorts (no side pockets, no cargo pants or track pants)
- A skirt is optional for girls
- School-crested golf shirt (short or long sleeve) or school-crested white or navy t-shirt
- School-crested navy zip polo sweatshirt, to be worn on top of the crested white golf shirt or school crested t-shirt

Gym uniform

- Primary students may come to school dressed in their gym uniform only on their gym days
- JK-3: school crested t-shirt, white or navy (not collared polo), not St. Padre Pio Panthers emblazoned t-shirt (this is for grades 4 - 8)
- School-crested navy gym shorts or school-crested navy sweat pants
- Grades 4 - 8 students are required to change for gym class and are also eligible to play on athletic teams. They will wear: a school crested t-shirt (St. Padre Pio Panthers) and school crested black dazzle shorts

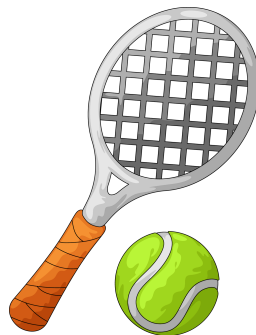
Your continued assistance and collaboration with this matter are greatly appreciated.

TERRA COTTA ICE CREAM SANDWICHES

Thank you to families who purchased Ice Cream Sandwiches in support of our Grade 8 Graduation. Please note that our first distribution date is Tuesday, May 5th, 2026.

ACE TENNIS WORKSHOPS

Tennis Wednesdays are coming to SPP! For the month of May, our primary students (K-3) will receive free tennis lessons during their respective physical education classes from Ace Tennis Club. The program focuses on developing fundamental tennis skills, coordination, and teamwork in a fun and supportive environment. Through engaging activities and structured lessons, students will build confidence, improve their fitness, and foster a love for the sport while learning the basics of tennis.



FREEZE DNA: COMIC WORKSHOP

On the afternoon of Monday, May 11th, 2026, we welcome Freeze DNA, who will run a free comic workshop for our Grades 1 to 4 students. All participants will have an opportunity to draw along with the presenters and keep the drawings they have created so that they can show their parents and keep them as memorabilia. If interested in learning more, you can visit their website at:

[Freeze DNA Website: Kids Comic Workshop.](#)



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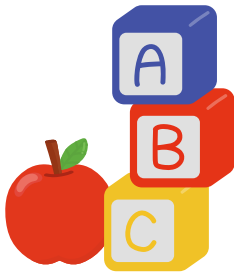


WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

On the morning of Wednesday, May 20th, 2026, we welcome families whose child/children will be entering Junior Kindergarten for the 2026-2027 school year. Information has gone out to families who have registered at the school.

The session will last approximately one hour. Parents will participate in our First Impressions Interview with a staff member while students are engaged in a variety of activities in our Library.

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



SAVE THE DATE: KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION

This year, we will be celebrating the achievement of our SK students with a Kindergarten Celebration on Friday, June 12th, at 2:00 p.m. in our Gym. Parents of our SK students are invited to attend.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May

- 4th- 8th Catholic Education Week
- 6th- Arts Show (6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)
- 7th - Gr. 7 Confirmation Celebration
7:00 p.m. at St. Padre Pio Parish
- 11th- Gr. 7 Spring Immunization Clinic
Jr. Boys Basketball Tournament at
Our Lady of the Lake CES
- 12th- Jr. Girls Basketball Tournament at
Pope Francis CES
- 18th- Victoria Day
- 20th- Welcome To Kindergarten/First
Impressions
- 25th- CSC Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

