

Archbishop O'Sullivan Catholic School



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2020-2021



The Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations

provide both a vision and a practical tool to insure that the treasures of our Catholic faith and tradition properly inspire all that we do in our schools.



I Have a Voice!

I speak, write and listen as Jesus would want me to.

I care about others.

I am honest.

I think carefully before I react or speak.

I respect all people and their languages.

I listen to stories of the Bible

Because I have a voice, I will use it wisely, and I will live my life like Jesus.

Welcome Back

Dear God, You are truly great, and have created all things out of love and goodness. In this new school year, help me to always honour myself as Your beloved child ~ one who loves and respects others, as You love and respect me. Teach me to live in the Spirit of Jesus who showed respect and reverence for all. Amen.

Welcome to another great school year at Archbishop O'Sullivan Catholic School. We extend a special welcome to our new students, families and staff who are joining us this year. We recognize that this year will look a little different but those elements that really matter will remain the same. Our school looks amazing thanks to the exceptional work of our caretaker staff, Mr. Lollar and Mrs. Leveque, who have worked tirelessly to ensure that everything is ready for our students and staff to return. We also extend thanks to Ms. Logan and all the Archbishop O'Sullivan staff who have worked long days to help get us ready for the new school year. Our school is blessed with a professional and dedicated staff, the spiritual leadership and guidance of Father Amato, and the support and partnership of our parents and families. In partnership, we will continue to work together in providing quality Catholic education for every student. This year our board will be rolling out yearly pastoral themes in support of our brand new Multi-Year Strategic Plan. This year's theme is **"All Are Welcome in This Place."** Our ALCDSB Director, Mr. David DeSantis, reminds us in his September "Welcome back!" blog, *"All Are Welcome in This Place"*, and calls us to welcome every person who we encounter in our school communities and beyond. Before we can accomplish any other goal, we must ensure that everyone in our community feels welcomed, feels safe, and feels a genuine sense of belonging. As a Catholic education community, we welcome each other into God's loving embrace and meet each other where we are at, just as Jesus did to every person that he encountered in the Gospels." We look forward to a great year in this exceptional learning and faith community.

Yours in Catholic Education,
Lisa Bickerstaffe

Meet the Archbishop O'Sullivan staff ... ☺

<p>Classroom Teachers Kindergarten: Mrs. Vaudry Kindergarten: Mrs. Millan Early Childhood Educator: Mrs. Morgan Grade 1/2: Mrs. Rodrigues Grade 1/2: Mrs. Watts Grade 3: Mrs. McLaughlin Grade 3/4: Mrs. Machado Grade 5: Mrs. Oriecuia Grade 5/6: Mr. Gaudet Grade 6/7: Mr. Pacheco Grade 7: Mr. Mignault Grade 8: Mr. Hulton</p> <p>Infirmerant Arts Teachers: Mrs. Hicks / Mrs. Doherty</p> <p>Core French: Mr. Boudreau, Mme. Trousdale and Mr. Porporo</p> <p>Child and Youth Worker Mrs. Cross</p>	<p>Special Education and Resource Teachers SERT: Mrs. Walker SSC: Ms. Courneyea Belong Class: Mrs. Melim</p> <p>Educational Assistants Mrs. Churchill-Anderson Ms. Wittenburg-LTO(Mrs. Maxam) Mrs. Matos Mrs. O'Leary Mrs. Sweet Mrs. Fridgen Mrs. Hall Ms. Falcao Mr. Rogers Ms. Wolsey Mr. Hepburn-Belong Class</p> <p>Library Resource Assistant Ms. Parfitt</p>	<p>Caretakers Mr. Lollar Mrs. Leveque (evening)</p> <p>Secretary Ms. Logan</p> <p>Administrator Mrs. Bickerstaffe</p> <p>Superintendent Mrs. Smith-Dewey</p> <p>St. Paul the Apostle Parish Pastor Father Sebastian Amato</p>
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Our school year schedule looks a little different this year. Please see the current schedule which accommodates various health and safety requirements: 8:55 Yard Supervision Begins (we ask that walkers/drop off students come as close to 9:10 as possible). The students enter the school yard by their Zone and go to their designated meeting place. When arriving to and leaving school we ask that students and families remain outside of the bus loading zone. As a reminder, there are to be no privately owned vehicles entering the bus loading zone.

2020-2021 Archbishop O'Sullivan Catholic School Day Schedule

Period	Time		
1	9:10-9:50	Instructional Time	
2	9:50-10:30		
3	10:30-11:10		
Recess 1	10:50-11:05	Kindergarten (Millan/Morgan), Rodrigues (Yard A), McLaughlin (Yard B), Pacheco (, Mignault	
Recess 2	11:10-11:25	Kindergarten (Vaudry), Watts (Yard	
4	11:25-12:05	Instructional Time	
Lunch A	12:05-12:25		Inside: Kindergarten (Millan/Morgan), Rodrigues, Machado, Oriecuia Outside: Kindergarten (Vaudry), McLaughlin, Gaudet, Pacheco
	12:25-12:45		Inside: Kindergarten (Vaudry), McLaughlin, Gaudet, Pacheco Outside: Kindergarten (Millan/Morgan), Rodrigues (Primary), Machado (Yard A/B), Oriecuia (Yard C)
Lunch B	12:25-12:45	Inside: Kindergarten (Vaudry), Watts, McLaughlin, Gaudet, Pacheco, Mignault, Hulton	
	12:45-1:05	Outside: Watts (Primary), Mignault (Yard C), Hulton (Yard A/B)	
5	1:05-1:45	Instructional Time	
6	1:45-2:25		
Recess 1	2:25-2:40	Rodrigues (Kindergarten Yard), McLaughlin (Yard A), Machado (Yard B), Oriecuia (Yard C), Gaudet (Yard A), Pacheco (Yard B)	
Recess 2	3:05-3:20	Kindergarten-M (Yard B), Kindergarten-V (Yard A), Watts (Primary), Hulton (Yard A/B), Mignault (Yard C)	
7	2:40-3:20	Instructional Time	

~Safe Arrival Program~

Parents/guardians are asked to call the school at **613-389-1891** whenever your child will be late or absent. A message may be left at any time on the answering machine. Please indicate your child's name, grade and teacher and your name. If no call is received, office staff will use the contact information provided to locate the child or the parent regarding the absence.

Signing In and Signing Out

At this time, we ask parents/guardians to call the office if your child is to be picked up early. Upon your arrival, office staff will have your child meet you outside. We will be signing your child in and out from the office.

Working Together for School Safety

We ask that parents/guardians remain diligent with completing the daily Screening Tool. All students and staff must screen every day before attending school (before entering the school bus for those who take the bus to school). Our local public health units have provided our families with a one page screening tool. Parents/guardians should review the following checklist with their child before sending them to school each day.

If you answer YES to any of these questions, stay home and self-isolate right away. Call your health care provider or go to an assessment centre to find out if you need a COVID-19 test.

A valuable resource on the KFL&A Public Health website is a video on their website and link posted here:

<https://www.kflaph.ca/en/healthy-living/schools-and-covid-19.aspx> Dr. Moore and 2 local pediatricians were filmed answering common questions from parents.

Thank-you for your support in keeping all our children safe!



Student Information Form 2020-2021

Please review, update and return your child's *Student Information Form* to the school by **Friday, October 2nd, 2020**. If at any time through the school year this information should change, please notify the office immediately.



Student Agendas

Agendas are an excellent tool by which students develop their organizational skills. This would likely be the final year for this means of communication as we move toward a digital platform. At this time, Agendas provide an avenue for ongoing communication between home and school. Students from Kindergarten to 8 will be provided with an agenda to use on a daily basis. The cost of the agenda is **\$7.00**.



PA Day Please mark your calendar ~ Friday, September 25th is a Professional Activity Day.

School Cash Online An efficient means of making payment is through School Cash Online, which provides you with the convenience of paying online for school items such as trips, club and athletic fees, and spirit wear. School Cash Online is our school's preferred method of payment and is a great way to pay without the need for cash or checks.

Please follow the link below to register online – it takes less than five minutes! Once you have registered your child, you will be able to see when they have a new item posted online for purchase. You also have the option to be notified whenever your child has a new school expense due, so you don't have to worry about missing the deadline.









To register: <https://schoolcashionline.com/Home>

COVID-19

Screening Tool


Parents and caregivers should review the following checklist with their child before sending them to school each day.


Does your child have any of the following:


<p>Fever 37.8°C or higher</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>New or worsening cough</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>Shortness of breath</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>Sore throat, trouble swallowing</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<p>Runny nose</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>Loss of taste or smell</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>Not feeling well</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea</p>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Not related to seasonal allergies or other known conditions

E.g., chills, fatigue, pink eye, lack of appetite

 In the past 14 days, has the child had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19? Yes No

 Have you or your child returned from travel outside of Canada in the past 14 days? Yes No

 If you answered **yes** to any of these questions, stay home and self-isolate right away. Call your health care provider or go to an assessment centre to find out if you need a COVID-19 test.

Now Available!

Pay School Fees Online

With **SchoolCashOnline** you can:

- ✓ Pay for your child's school fees online. Anytime, anywhere.
- ✓ Avoid the hassle of having cash on-hand to pay for school fees.
- ✓ Receive email notifications regarding school fees and events.
- ✓ Help us reduce the amount of cash in our schools.

» Fast
🛡️ Safe
👍 Convenient

School Cash Online is our school's preferred method of payment.





Medical Information

We have several students in our school with life threatening allergies to nuts and peanuts. Eating or touching nuts, peanuts, and food containing nuts and peanuts can result in serious health complications. As parents, we all understand the intense concern anaphylaxis can cause and as a school community we will work together to reduce the possibility of exposure to allergens at school. Please continue to pack snack and lunch items that do not contain or possibly have traces of nuts, peanuts, and nut products. Should your child inadvertently bring one of these items, he/she will be asked to leave it in his/her lunch box and an alternate snack will be offered. Thank you by showing your care and concern for all our children by helping to provide a safe learning environment.



Medication

It is important that the school is aware if your child has a medical condition. School staff may only administer medication to students with written authorization from the parent/guardian **and** the prescribing physician. **Please ensure that if your child requires any medication to be dispensed at the school on a regular, intermittent or on an emergency basis that you have completed the necessary paperwork. The forms are to be completed on an annual basis. Please promptly return to the office so we can develop your child's Medical Care Plan.**

Appropriate Dress

Students are expected to be dressed in a respectful manner that reflects our Catholic values. Please review our Archbishop O'Sullivan Catholic School Code of Conduct located on our school website and in your child's agenda. We ask parents/guardians to help us maintain our academic atmosphere by ensuring that your children follow our dress code when preparing for school:

- All clothing is free of violent, racist, and immoral pictures, symbols, brands, and messages.
- Unless it is a dedicated "Spirit Day", pajama bottoms and beachwear are not permitted.
- Running shoes are required if playing on the climbers.

Please note that the dress code applies to all students, from Kindergarten to Grade 8.

Thank-you for your co-operation!



Catholic School Council

Archbishop O'Sullivan Catholic School is blessed to have a very supportive Catholic School Council. Our Catholic School Council plays an important role in our school community as they work closely with staff and parish to support our children in all aspects of their school experience. All parents are invited to the meetings and are encouraged to become involved. Our first Catholic School Council meeting will be held virtually with a Microsoft Teams meeting on **Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:30 p.m.** **Elections for executive positions on our Catholic School Council will be held at this meeting. Please send us an email flhpabos@alcdsb.on.ca if interested and we will include you on the Teams Meeting invite.**

AOS Welcomes to our staff:

We welcome, Emberly Doherty, Jarrod Porporo, Dillon Hulton, Joe Pacheco, Crystal Wittenburg (LTO), Brianna Falcao, Lisa Wolsey

These are the Archbishop O'Sullivan designated means of communicating. Please keep current and up-to-date with what is going on at AOS. Phone Number: 613 389-1891

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Web site: www.alcdsb.on.ca/school/abos

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