



ST. CARTHAGH CATHOLIC SCHOOL – All Are Welcome in This Place where Together is Better!

FEBRUARY UPDATE

Monthly School Focus: Respect Catholic Graduate Expectation: A Caring Family Member/A Responsible Citizen

IMPORTANT - Student Screening - Parents have the responsibility to self-screen students for symptoms of COVID-19, common cold, influenza and any other respiratory illness **each day** prior to arriving at school. Please see attached the required **daily** Self-Assessment for COVID-19 tool.

Masks – Please send extra masks with your child each day. They tend to get wet outside. Also, thank you for modelling safety for our students by also wearing masks when on school property.

Grade 8 Graduation Photos - At this time we do not have a date scheduled for graduation photos. Due to Covid shut-downs/restrictions our school photographers are prioritizing high school graduations and schools that were not completed in the Fall program. Once these are completed they will contact us to schedule our graduation date.

Report Cards - Term 1 Report Cards will be sent home on February 17th. Family Conferences requested by parent or teacher will be arranged with the classroom teacher at a mutually convenient time. There are no in person Family Conferences at this time; they are to be by phone or virtually using Microsoft Teams. Thank you to students and staff for their hard work throughout the term.

Kindergarten Registration - Registration is occurring for September 2021. If you have a child that will be attending Junior Kindergarten, please pre-register by going to our website (www.alcdsb.on.ca/school/cart). To be eligible for Junior Kindergarten students must turn 4 years of age by December 31, 2021. Please provide your child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization record and proof of residency. Please call the school if you have questions.

Lent - Unfortunately this year we are not able to launch Lent by celebrating Shrove Tuesday with our pancake breakfast. We will celebrate Ash Wednesday with a school Liturgy on February 17th. This year's Lenten Project will once again have a local and global focus. More information about our annual Lenten fundraiser will be shared very soon.

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Valentine's sent to school (am)	10 Virtual School Council Meeting 6:30	11	12 Valentine's sent home (pm)	13
14 Valentine's Day	15 Family Day	16 Shrove Tuesday	17 Ash Wednesday School Liturgy Report Cards sent home	18	19	20
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COVID-19

Please complete before attending school or child care.

1. Does your child/student have any of the following new or worsening symptoms?*



Fever > 37.8°C



Cough



Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath



Decrease or loss of taste or smell

If "YES": Child must stay home and self-isolate.

Contact an assessment centre or your child's health care provider.

2. Does your child have any of the following new or worsening symptoms?*



Sore throat, painful swallowing



Runny/stuffy nose



Headache that is unusual or long-lasting



Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea



Muscle aches or extreme tiredness that is unusual

If "YES" to 1 symptom:

- Child must stay home for 24 hours from when symptoms started.
- If improving in 24 hours (48 hours after last episode of vomiting or diarrhea), child can return to school. No test is required.
- If not improving, or getting worse, child must self-isolate. Contact an assessment centre or your child's health care provider.

If "YES" to 2 or more symptoms:

- Child must stay home and self-isolate. Contact an assessment centre or your child's health care provider.

*Children/students who have an existing health condition, should not answer YES, unless the symptom is new, different or getting worse.

3. Has your child/student travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days?

4. Has your child/student been identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19?

5. Has your child/student been instructed to stay home and self-isolate?

If "YES" to questions 3, 4 or 5:

Your child/student must stay home, self-isolate and follow the advice of public health.