



ST. CARTHAGH CATHOLIC SCHOOL – Formed in the Faith

Catholic Graduate Expectation-April, A Self-Directed, Responsible, Lifelong Learner

APRIL UPDATE

Grade 8 Graduation – Graduation is set for June 26th. More information to follow.



Congratulations to our Grade 7/8 class. They have won the first Drinking Water Radio Contest by Quinte Conservation. See message below from Natasha Mathieu, Source Protection Outreach Lead

“I would like to say thank you to everyone for participating in our first Drinking Water Radio Contest. It was a pleasure to listen to all of your students’ submissions, and it was clear that every student put a lot of effort into creating their ads.

*Now for the moment you’ve all been waiting for... The first-place radio ad is from **Ms. Kelly’s class at St. Carthagh**. It was a very close call between several radio ads. I am truly impressed by every student’s effort and the quality of radio ad productions. I will contact the winning classrooms this week to discuss the details of their prize packs.”*

School Council-Our next School Council meeting will take place April 12th at 6:00. Please join us.

Save the Date - Council has invited the UnLearn team to host a workshop on **May 8 at 6:00PM** for all of our families. Stay tuned for more information! [unlearn - Provoking thought to inspire positive change](#)

Kindergarten Registration - Registration is occurring for September 2023. 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, 2023. Please provide your child’s birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization record and proof of residency. Please call the school if you have questions.

Volunteering in Schools and on Field Trips - All parents, grandparents and community volunteers who wish to participate in any activity at the school, such as going on field trips, volunteering in the classroom, working in Breakfast Club or School Council Member will be required to have a police check completed and presented in its original format. We so encourage and value your participation that we would like to facilitate this as best we can. We can provide a cover letter to the local police detachment so that there is no cost to you. This process is good for three years once completed.

School Updates:

We welcome Father Aiden back from his trip and a special thank you for celebrating our Lenten Mass on Friday March 31st. Students also participated in the sacrament of Confessions at the Church. This week, during Holy Week, we will be praying the Stations of Cross at the school. A beautiful way to finish Lent.

Classes have done service projects for their Lenten almsgiving, with the intent and focus being on serving our local community. Kindergarten and grade 7/8 inquiry buddies found sticks on our yard and worked together to build a cross for Easter. As part of our Lenten alms giving, we created flowers for each of the bus drivers who help our school community get to school and home safely. Thank you for helping us grow!

The Grade 4/5 class recently received a letter in the mail from a student at Tweed Elementary inviting them to participate in the Great Canadian Mail Race. Students wrote letters to grade 4/5 classes across the country (from Alberta to Newfoundland) inviting them to write back and keep the race going with their own classes. We walked to the post office to mail our letters and we are eagerly awaiting a response! The first student in our class to receive a reply wins the race!


Congratulations to Scarlet Gulliver - Winner of the zones public speaking contest. (Madoc, Marmora, Tweed, Deseronto, PEC). Scarlet is off to divisions April 15 in Port Perry. Well done!

Guide to Holy Week



Palm Sunday

Sunday before Easter. Celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Observed with palm branches, parades, and celebration.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday before Easter. Commemorates the Last Supper. Often observed with foot washing, stripping of the altar, and overnight prayer vigil to keep watch with Jesus in the garden.



Good Friday

Friday before Easter. Most solemn day of the church year. Observes the day Jesus was crucified. Observed by praying the Stations of the Cross and three hours of silent prayer while Jesus was on the cross.



Holy Saturday

Saturday before Easter. Observes the day Jesus was in the tomb. This is a day of somber reflection, reflecting on what we'd miss in a world without Jesus.



Easter Sunday

Hallelujah! Christ has risen! This day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Sing hallelujahs and celebrate with great joy.



April 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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3	4	5	6 Pizza Day	7 Good Friday	8	9 Easter
10 Easter Monday	11	12 School Council 6:00	13 Pizza Day	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Pizza Day	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Pizza Day	28 Kindergarten Frink Centre Trip	29	30

April 30 - May 6 Catholic Education Week

May 3 Cross Country

May 5 Gr. 3/4 Soccer

Year 3 Multi-Year Strategic Plan-Visit our [MYSP web page](https://t.co/FNxCrNZgAp) to view a video message (<https://t.co/FNxCrNZgAp>) and to learn more about all the amazing progress and achievements being made in the ALCDSB.

https://twitter.com/hashtag/ALCDSBMYSP?src=hashtag_click

Do you want to stay Home Alone?



Belleville Saturday, May 6th, 2023 10am-4pm

Belleville Friday, June 2nd, 2023 9am-3pm **PA DAY**

Space is Limited - You must Pre-Register - Choose 1 Date

THE ONLY FULL DAY, FULL FUN and EFFECTIVE HOME ALONE COURSE available!
Courses are taught by Certified Instructors. Students learn, and will be able to demonstrate:

Communication skills to support family safety

Honesty, limitations, your Home Safe route and Home Alone agreement

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Safety skills by interactive training, hands on practice and coaching

Identify strangers and risks, door, phone and kitchen safety & beginner First Aid

Responsibility and building maturity to stay Home Alone

Home Safe messages, Home Alone productivity, house rules and schedule

Confidence to handle unexpected dangers or emergencies

With strangers and situations, how to call 911, the power of NO and keeping self SAFE!

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Participants will receive a **Certificate of Completion** and **Guide Book** including **First Aid, Home Alone Safety & Stranger Safety.**

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Belleville Monday, July 10th, 2023 9am-3pm **Summer Break**

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Courses are taught by Certified Instructors and teaches:

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Keep others SAFE while in your care and control, understanding babysitter responsibilities and specific care and requirements for children of all ages.

Advanced First Aid including airway management, choking/obstruction and rescue breathing in addition to common injuries and illnesses.

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