



# ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC SCHOOL FINAL FAREWELL NEWSLETTER JUNE 2017

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## SAVE THE DATES!

**BACK TO SCHOOL—Tuesday, September 5, 2017**  
**CURRICULUM NIGHT—Thursday, September 21, 2017**

### FINAL FAREWELL!

As the school year finishes we would like to say goodbye to all the students, families, and staff that are leaving St. Andrew for September, including our Grade 8 graduates. You will be missed at the "best school in the universe!"

Congratulations and all the best to Mrs. Frost, who is retiring. She has been an Educational Assistant for many years and her service and care are truly appreciated. We have several staff members to acknowledge that are leaving including: Ms. Dawson our CYC, Mrs. Hayward, office assistant, Mr. Riches in the library, and Ms. Serniuk, EA. In addition we have the following teachers that are moving to new schools: Mrs. Hough, Mrs. Linse, and our SERT, Mrs. Stephens. We wish them all the best as they bring their gifts elsewhere! Also, we have Mrs. Bowles-Epp, Mme McLeod, Mrs. Springer, and Mrs. Wilkinson, who will be on leaves. Good luck! The following teachers have all served as occasional staff for those on leaves this year and have been great additions to our team: Miss D'Alesio, Mme DiFelice, Miss De Sousa, Mme Henein, Miss Howard, Miss Ksiazek, Mrs. Wilkes, and Miss Wirkowski. The talents of each of these staff members are appreciated and we wish them all the best as they continue their journey in Catholic education.

A final "good-bye" and all the best for a wonderful and safe summer!

God bless!

Mrs. Balogh  
Principal

Mrs. Williams  
Vice-Principal

### FAMILY BBQ

A big thank you to all the parents who were on the organizing committee, chaired by Mrs. Rosales and Mrs. Williams, and to the families and staff who gave of their time to help out. The dedication and commitment to our school is much appreciated! Thank you as well to the many donors who contributed to our prizes. Thank you to our generous sponsors and RBC for volunteering their time and for providing us with a \$1000 grant, which will support our Breakfast Program. A special thank you to the many community partners: The Knights of Columbus and Halton Region Police community officer Scott for their visits and support of our school BBQ. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the St. Andrew BBQ.



### REPORT CARDS

All students received their final report card on **Tuesday, June 27, 2017**. Parents are asked to ensure that the response portion of the report card is completed and brought back to school before the last day of school.



### MEDICAL FORMS

Please return student Medical forms by the end of June or before the first day in September. Student medication is available for pick up on June 30 at the end of the school day before the office closes. We have early dismissal at 1:50 p.m. on Friday, June 30.

### SEPTEMBER 2017 OPENING PROCEDURES

On the first day of school, teachers will be in our schoolyard holding a sign with their grade and name on it. Parents/Guardians are respectfully asked to avoid entering the hallways or visiting classrooms on the first day of school. The goal is to keep the classes moving so everything runs as smoothly as possible.

### BUS TRANSPORTATION

Route information for your child is available at [www.haltonbus.ca](http://www.haltonbus.ca). To access this information, you will need your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN) which appears on the top of your child's report cards. Courtesy seat forms are available in the school office. Students should be waiting at bus stops at least 10 minutes prior to the scheduled bus arrival time. Please go to our school website for more information.

### AUGUST 28 - OFFICE HOURS

The school office will be open to the public on Monday, August 28, at 8:30 a.m.

### Boogie-a-thon

Thinking ahead...volunteers will be needed for the October fundraiser. If you're interested, please indicate on the volunteer form that will be sent in September.

### MOVING OVER THE SUMMER?

If you have not yet notified the school that you will be moving, please do so, as this assists with ensuring proper staffing and balancing of classes and students throughout the school.



## AVENGERS TRACK AND FIELD

A huge congratulations goes out to our Track and Field team who had tremendous success at both the Oakville and System Championship Meets in June. We would also like to congratulate every member of our team that greatly contributed to this year's Track and Field team. Our Avengers team showed exceptional athleticism and an impressive display of being a good sport and competitiveness. We placed third overall in the HCDSB, which is a big achievement.

For specific results from the System Finals please go to our school website: [www.hcdsb.org/andr](http://www.hcdsb.org/andr) for me details.

Special thanks to our coaches Ms. Nedelko, Ms. Howard and Ms. Ksiazek for their time.



### Full Day Kindergarten Program September Entry All New Year 1(JK) and 2(SK)

**Students**—Parent/Student/Staff interviews will take place Tuesday, September 5th and Wednesday, September 6th.



### Year 2 (SK) Students -

Students will begin Thursday, September 7th.

**Year 1 (JK) Students** - Staggered entry days are Thursday, September 7th and Friday September 8th.

### First day with whole class—

Monday, September 11th.

**Letters will be mailed out last week of June with details.**

### Halton Food For Thought

We are proud to announce that the HFFT has chosen our parent volunteers Mrs. Carone and Mrs. Robertson as the Halton Food For Thought volunteers of the year for Halton region. St. Andrew has been chosen as a model site for new programs. Congratulations to our Breakfast Club volunteers for their great work at St. Andrew!

## June Talent Show

We enjoyed watching many students share their unique gifts at the Talent Show on Tuesday, June 27! We are grateful to staff for their participation and assistance to make our Talent Show possible. Special thanks to Mme. McLeod and Mrs. Hill for organizing this fun event. St. Andrew, you've got talent!



## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Last day of school for all students will be **Friday, June 30th**. Students will be dismissed at 1:50 p.m. Regular bus transportation is in effect.



## Volunteers

A special thank you to all of our volunteers who have assisted us throughout the past school year. If you already have your documentation on file, an annual declaration form was sent home to you. If you have never volunteered with us before, you must obtain a Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) and then complete a Criminal Reference Check (CRC) at Halton Regional Police Services. Remember to ask for both at the time of registering. Once you have received these please bring the form to the office. Please consider having doing this online over the summer, so you're ready to go in September! For online applications go to: <https://www.policesolutions.ca>

## Driving Safety Reminder

We have had concerns from neighbours that parents are speeding through the private laneway off of Glenashton to drop students off in the morning. We appreciate everyone slowing down to ensure all our students safety. Thank you for your cooperation!



## ANAPHYLAXIS/MEDICAL FORMS

This is a reminder to all families with students who experience life threatening allergies and/or serious medical conditions. **Your child's medical forms have been sent to you to be reviewed and/or edited and returned to the school.** If your child has an anaphylactic allergy or is diabetic please call the school to arrange a meeting with the VP to discuss your child's profile. **Parents are also reminded to claim all medications, Epi-pens, and puffers from the school on Friday, June 30th.** Please ensure that they are returned prior to or on the first day of school in September. Also, please review the expiry dates. Your diligence will allow us to begin the school year safely and confidently.



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Many parents inquire about what school supplies they should purchase for their children for September. **Please note that the school provides all the essential supplies that are required for learning and the additional purchase of school supplies is not a requirement.** In an effort to save you unnecessary spending, below is a list of some appropriate suggestions:

### Primary Grade 1-3

- ◆ pencil case with zipper
- ◆ pencils
- ◆ erasers
- ◆ glue stick
- ◆ pencil crayons
- ◆ crayons
- ◆ highlighter
- ◆ enclosed pencil sharpener

### Junior/Intermediate Grade 4-8

- ◆ three ring paper - lined / white
- ◆ pens, pencils, erasers, ruler
- ◆ calculator
- ◆ geometry set
- ◆ pencil crayons
- ◆ markers
- ◆ highlighters
- ◆ fine tip black marker
- ◆ enclosed pencil sharpener

**Have a great summer and we'll see you  
September 5, 2017!**

## Elementary Class Placements

Please be advised that effective Friday, September 1, 2017, after 9:00 a.m., you will be able to access information about your child's class placement. This information will be available on the Board's website at: [www.hcdsb.org](http://www.hcdsb.org). Please click on "Elementary Class Placements" from the homepage, which will direct you to the school listing page. Once you have arrived on this page, please click on the name of your child's school, and follow the link in the top right hand corner to "Class Placements".

PLEASE NOTE: In order to access this information, you will require your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN), which can be found on his/her report card.

**<http://www.hcdsb.org>**

Click on the Schools tab- School Listing  
Choose School--

The screenshot shows the Halton Catholic District School Board website. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, About Us, Careers, Contact Us, StaffNET, and Sign Out. A search bar is located on the right. The main content area features a large banner for 'Our Schools' with a background image of a school building and students. Below the banner, there is a sidebar with a list of links including 'Adult Learning / Continuing Education', 'Environmental Stewardship', 'School Bell Times', 'School Boundary Maps', 'School Boundary Reviews', 'School Construction', 'School Finder', 'School Listing' (highlighted), 'School Uniform', and 'Parishes & Associate Schools'. The main content area displays information for 'Ascension Elementary School', including a description of the school's partnership with the home, parish, and community, and a list of 'Student Success Programs'. A red box highlights the 'Class Placements' link in the top right corner of the school's information section.

Click on **Class Placements**

### Elementary Class Placements

OEN:

Enter OEN # and Click Search

### Elementary Class Placements

Student: Name

School Year: **2017-2018**

Placement in September: Elementary School  
Teacher  
Grade  
Room