



# GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Minutes taken by Stephanie Pirri (Parent Volunteer)

**Prayer** – Lead by Ms Limarzi

**Land Acknowledgement** – Read by Ms Alimurung

## Approval of Minutes from Feb 7

1. Ms Rose
2. Ms Alday

## Approval of today's agenda

1. Ms O'Donnell
2. Ms Alday

## School Council Lead Lunches

- a. Hamburger / Hot Dog – YES – aim for third week of Sept to start, keep Fridays – same volunteers may continue for next school year
- b. Sub Lunches – Continue YES – aim for third week of Sept to start, keep Mondays

## Fund discussion

- c. Profit to date \$15,357 with fundraisers From Sept 5-April 24
- d. Expenses of \$9,575 out
- e. Poinsettias - \$1200, paid \$833 - \$367 profit
- f. Dough - \$904
- g. Remaining of \$15k from lunches
- h. Subs are doing really well
- i. Bank today balance \$10,945 as of TODAY
- j. Fundraising balance of \$5,781
- k. Beginning of year we had \$4,666 carried over

## Allocation of remainder of funds

- l. We approved \$8400 for use this school year of council funds
  - i. To be withdrawn still are about \$400 for the toys, \$500 for parent event, Chrome book purchases for \$3300 and Grade 8 support for \$500
- m. Whatever is made in May and June is currently not allocated but you can pre-plan for allocations for 24/25 year – usually its grad support, guest speakers, teachers
- n. Ms Luke asking about play day funds allocation – money was not allocated last year? But according to Ms O'Donnell indicates council funded \$1500 towards it
  - i. Option to allocate remaining funds to play day?



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- ii. Plans – food truck (ice cream) and games / activities for the kids
  - iii. Option for city of Brampton to come and run activities
  - iv. Water balloons from Costco

Ms. Limarzi – Request for spending \$1000 for grade 8 grad next school year – Not approved today

- Interested in actual venue for next year instead of at the school

Funds for play day discussion

- Last year, they rented a carnival company to help run
- Ms Alimurung – games, cotton candy, beaver tails for all kids, performers; previous year was petting zoo
- Ms O'Donnell – We have \$1100 unallocated to spend still
- Cotton candy machine or snow cones? Find out costs

Fund allocation to Grad – Change to increase from \$500 for this year – Not Approved

1. Only 3 votes in favour

Fund allocation to Grad for 24/25 year - \$500 – on HOLD until we start next school year

Remainder of this school year funds:

- \$500 Fund allocation to June 2024 play day
- \$500 Fund allocation for next Christmas event for 24/25 year
- \$300 Church support 24/25 year
- \$200 Christmas Family support 24/25 year
- \$1000 Teacher consumables 24/25 year
- \$500 Fund allocation to parent engagement evening 24/25 year

Motion to approve \$3000 allocation above:

1. Ms Rose
2. Ms Pascuttini

## Parish updates

- Father Jan is leaving in June
- June 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am last mass at GA with Father Jan
- Father Donatello will be the incoming priest at GA

## OAPCE updates



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- Parents feel more included when they are in elementary school, but parents feel distanced when kids are in older grades and move into high school
  - Encouraging schools to include parents more with volunteering and school involvement

## **Principals' Report**

### **Updates to Staffing:**

Bianca Iannuzzi filling in until Mrs. Galifi returns

### **Sports and Clubs at GA:**

Chess ongoing

Board Chess Friday April 5 – Congratulations to all teams, intermediates placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall

Floor Hockey May 2

Softball May 23

Beach Volleyball

Soccer Grades 6/7/8 June 4,5

Track and Field June 12

ECO Initiatives by ECO Angels with final Eco application being submitted April 26

### **Upcoming Trips/Excursions:**

Grade 8's Retreat May 7<sup>th</sup>

Grade 3/4 , 4 Silver Creek June 20

Special Education and Resource Classroom May 15<sup>th</sup> Focus on Nature

Grade 8's Trip to Muskoka May 22, 23, 24

### **Upcoming Speakers:**

X movement = June 5<sup>th</sup> parent involvement evening



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We invited Giselle Gaylie on April 10 to share a message of inclusion and acceptance

November 2024: Paul Davis scheduled to visit GA

## **Food Days:**

Pizza

Cookies/Popcorn/Ice dawgs/Freezies

Lunch Lady

Council Run: Sub Lunches, Hamburgers/Hot dogs

## **Dates to Remember:**

April 30: Talent Show Auditions Grades 1-3

May 2: Talent Show Auditions Grades 4 – 8

May 2: Intermediate Floor Hockey

May 6 – 10: Catholic Education Week

May 9: Rosary Apostolate – All community members welcome

May 12: Mother's Day

May 13, 14: Dental Screening FDK, 2,4,6,8

May 19: Pentecost Sunday

May 20: Victoria Day, No School

May 21 – 24: Grade 6 EQAO

May 28 – 30: Grade 3 EQAO

June 4,5: Boys/Girls Soccer Grades 6/7/8

June 5: X-Movement Community Engagement Evening/Volunteer Appreciation

June 10: PA Day, No School for Students



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June 12: Track and Field

June 16: Father's Day

June ? : Jump Rope for Heart

June 20: Grade 8 Graduation

June 21: Play Day

June 24: End of Year Mass @9:30am

June 28: Last Day of School

## Academics

- Grade 2 and 5 Teachers participating in a Math Professional Learning Cycle with a focus on building student math confidence
- Lexia and Corrective Reading continue, Empower to return in September 2024
- Equity Lead: Mr. Valerio
- Continue to be supported by a math facilitator (year long) in Grade 5/6, 6/7
- EQAO student data for 2022 – 2023 was sent home in October and our data is visible on EQAO website.
- Math Professional Learning Cycle with Grade 2 & 5 teachers. First cycle Feb/March focused on math confidence. Second Cycle focuses on problem solving strategies.
- Reading, Writing, Math at Primary Level in line with board and provincial standard
- Reading, Writing at Junior Level above board and provincial standard. Math identified as below board and provincial standard at Junior level

## Faith:

- Catholic Education Week May 6 – 10 (various activities and parent invitations), Play taking place Thursday May 9. JK – 3 @9:30, 4 – 8 @10:45am
- **Monday May 6:** Teacher led classroom activities
- **Tuesday May 7:** Teacher led classroom activities
- **Wednesday May 8:** Virtual Catholic Education Week Mass @11:00am
- Join by clicking here: <https://www.youtube.com/%40stcatharinescathedral2914>
- Journey Into Learning Evening for incoming Kindergarten Students @6:30pm (By Invitation)
- **Thursday May 9:** Rosary Apostolate Play by Mrs. Marino's class for the whole school.
- Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend: (flyer forthcoming)
- K - 3 @ 9:30am



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- 4 - 8 @ 10:45
  - **Friday May 10:** French Cafe for students. Croissants and Milk will be available for purchase on School Cash On Line
  - Congratulations to students that received their sacraments of Communion and Confirmation April 13 & 14
  - Students are recognized through our Virtue Program, monthly presentations with our school community and student names are recognized over announcements.
  - Rosary Apostolates monthly visits to pray the rosary as a community full year program.
  - Social Justice initiatives: 😊 Lenten soap drive (Dr. Simeone) – generous soap donations.

Paul Davis is tentative for November

### Pizza Days

- Would like to move from Tuesdays to Thursday
- Suggestion made to reduce commitment

Talent Show – TBD on date, auditions happening next week

### *Catholic Education Week May 6-10*

- Play May 9
- Virtual Mass May 8 – Link will be shared
- May 8 – Journey into learning evening for JK incoming students
- May 10 – French Cafe – purchase of croissants and milk

Rosary Apostolate and play – schedule will be shared, parents welcome

*Field update* – request in for re-levelling and sod replacement, more turf near nets

- Trying to cordon off sections that are dry where possible, more than normal precipitation happening this season, pooling and puddling happening often

### *New curriculum for catholic education and family life*

- Anything currently being used is through catholic lens and catholic faith
- Will integrate health and physical education into it with release as part of family life education program
- Ms Limarzi will provide council slides to review

*Volunteer Appreciation date – June 5<sup>th</sup> at 5pm save the date!*



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*JK Orientation night* – we have been asked Wed May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm if council would like to prepare a short presentation to share with students – what we'd like to share with catholic school council – Ms Pascuttini has acknowledged

### **Q&A**

Safety at school topic added on agenda by council

- No comments provided by council members

Music Program?

- According to Ms Limarzi, all teachers are required to teach a music program at some point in the school year as part of the ministry requirements
- Specific music teacher curriculum has not been designated in schools for some time now
- Instruments – teachers are more than welcome to incorporate this into learning, grades 1-8

**Closing Prayer** – Read by Ms Pascuttini

**Meeting Adjournment – 8:25 pm**

1. Ms Pascuttini
2. Ms O'Donnell