



Hamilton-Wentworth  
Catholic District School Board

*Believing, Achieving, Serving*



## CANADIAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Attending: Sarah, Deb, Val, Dolly, Melissa, Claire, Kate, Craig, Lerida, Amy, Mrs. Traina, Mrs. Lamparski, Mr. Messina  
Lina sends regrets

1. Opening Prayer- Melissa
2. Principals Report

### **THE MISSION OF THE HWCDSB**

*The mission of Catholic Education in Hamilton-Wentworth, in union with our Bishop, is to enable all learners to realize the fullness of humanity of which our Lord Jesus Christ is the model.*

## **SCHOOL IMPROVMENT PLAN – SCHOOL GOALS**

### **Learning with Faith Goal**

The Staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will explicitly teach the traditional Catholic prayers & meditations (including the Rosary and Stations of the Cross); as well, the responses to the four parts of the Mass, which will increase student knowledge, participation and leadership during daily classroom/school prayers, and school monthly and community weekly Masses. **February Focus:** *Penitential Act during Mass, Lent*

### **Literacy Goal**

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES, through differentiated instruction, will work to foster the acquisition, and understanding of reading strategies to improve proficiency across the curriculum.

**February Focus:** *Inferring*

### **Numeracy Goal**

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will introduce, expose and explore the 7 mathematical processes as they work to achieve the expectations outlined within the five strands of mathematics. This will be done through modeling, practice and open response opportunities to improve on student mindset towards mathematics and greater student success. **February Focus:** *Connecting*

*Connect with other strands, across the curriculum and to the real world.*

*Ex. Mrs. Traina- in SK/JK-Graphing- For DPA today who wants to go outside and how many want to stay inside? Graph it and then carry it out. What color should we make the playdough? Take a survey. Graph it and do it.*

## **Pathways Goal**

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will work to support students with explicit teaching and guided student exploration as students develop learning skills, work habits, and goal setting; and work through education/career/life planning.

**February Focus:** *Learning Skill: Responsibility*

## **Catholic Community, Culture and Service Goal**

The staff of Canadian Martyrs CES will work to foster an inclusive, safe, and healthy school environment.

**February Focus:** *Understanding Diversity (Black History Month, Anti-Bullying/Pink Day, Gr. 7 Diversity Conference, Different Cultures & Traditions)*

### **Principal's Report**

1. **Photo** - Catholic School Council, then post on school website  
*Postponed to next meeting- March 22*
2. **School Improvement Plan, February Focus:** see front page
3. **Student enrollment** - 191 to-date
4. **Staff Up-date** – Miss Marissa MacIsaac replacing Ms. Lamparski while off during ankle surgery; ESL Teacher, Oksana Holadyk off on heart surgery, currently replaced by Miss Dyandra Ciallella
5. **Student Voice** – Grade 4/5 Class 20/20 Challenge & Run4Change, Blue and Green Day Friday
6. **CYO** – Winter sports include: Senior Boys Basketball Playoffs
7. **CM Spirit Wear T-Shirts**
  - *CSC agrees that this is a good idea- to purchase school shirts for each child for various events.*
  - *Put forth that we would support this 50/50 with the school*
  - *Put to a vote- unanimously approved as long as the price is reasonable (hypothesize \$3/child for us)*
  - *Asked us to have a sizing day and help out- agreed*
  - *Melissa and Mrs. Lamparski will gather prices and forward the information*
8. **Milk Program** – lack of interest
  - *We will end this service due to a lack of interest (lost money)*
9. **Before/After School Program:** Parent Inquiry Survey
10. **Mass, Liturgy & Sacramental:** Tuesday & Thursday Community Lenten Masses – rotating classes; School Confessions on March 8
11. **Father Markus – Class Visits,** Thursday, March 25
12. Continue with **Chocolate Challenge Fundraiser** February 10 – March 1<sup>st</sup>
  - *Daily prizes*
  - *Pizza party for class with the most sales- daily tally*
  - *Top 3 sellers*

**13. Report Cards going home** – Wednesday, February 17

- Concern over not sharing report cards- will make an announcement to open at home, not school

**14. Grad Photos Friday** – Friday, February 19

**15. Pink Shirt Day** - Wednesday, February 24, raising awareness to Anti-Bullying Campaign Nation Wide

**16. SRT** – Review Purpose & Process- **School Resource Team**

- For students who are struggling and not making gains
- Meet every 2 weeks- to brainstorm on strengths/weaknesses of plan- may develop an Individual Education Plan (IEP) with parental approval

**17. P.A. Day:** Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (a.m. - Legislated Training: Occupational Health & Safety Training/  
p.m. - Mental Health In-service)

**18. System Science Fair:** Saturday, February 27 at Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School

**19. Student of the Month Awards Assembly/Honour Roll (Level A- 80-100% in all strands)- Language, Mathematics, French and Perfect Attendance** – Monday, February 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00p.m.

**20. Stamp Club Session** – Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

**21. French Café** – Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, order forms returned ASAP and payments made on-line

**22. Ti-Cat Be Fit Program Presentation** – Friday, March 4 for all classes, 12:30p.m.

**23. March Break 14-18**

**24. Grade 3 Swim to Survive Program**, Flamborough, begins Tuesday, March 22

**25. School Communication Reminders:**

- School Correspondence: Phone, Student Agenda Books, Notes
- School Website: Banner/Buzz Board/Tabs/cama (weekly e-mail up-date blitz)
- Monthly Calendar
- School E-mail - [cama@hwedsb.ca](mailto:cama@hwedsb.ca)
- Protocols - Arrival at School, School Visits, Playground
- Appointment with Principal or Teaching Staff

Comments in Red added in by secretary

Questions:

How often are fire drills (Craig)? Can they not be Jan/Feb?

3 fire drills/term and one lock down. They are supposed to be spaced apart and they try to pick good days (not raining etc.), but they can't avoid cold completely.

Reviewed cama website buzzboard.

### 3. Treasurers Report:

CANADIAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL  
TREASURER REPORT  
as of Tuesday, February 16, 2016 Meeting

Ending Balance as of January 19, 2016      \$ 6,410.98

DESCRIPTION	INCOME	DESCRIPTION	EXPENSES	PROFIT
Samko Rebate	\$ 103.94	2016-2017 Xmas store items purchased by: Amy G. Melissa S. & Lina C.	\$ 1,005.68	
FundScrip (CSC Minor Fundraiser)	\$ 539.05			
Cake Raffle	\$ 400.00	Cake Raffle Profit - Robotics		\$ 400.00
		Grant \$1,000.00 from Let's Draw, Paint, Create family event.	\$ 1,000.00	
		CMS will absorb the extra cost due to a great response from CMS families who wanted to attend as per P. Messina, Principal (\$ 234.99)		
		Refreshments for Crock a Doodle Night	\$ 49.93	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 1,042.99</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,055.61</b>	
<b>Ending Balance as of February 16, 2016</b>	<b>\$ 5,398.36</b>			

**Please Note:**

- Toyota Grant Balance Remaining (incl.) \$ 42.69
- Xmas Store Profit 2015-2016 Balance Remaining (incl.): \$ 1,136.42
- Popcorn purchased this month with FundScrip –gift card purchased by CSC.

This month, we received Samko Rebate, FundScrip Profit and Cake Raffle Proceeds. See report above for details.

### 4. Co-Chair Report- Melissa

Fundraising Updates:

Cake Raffle- \$400 raised for Robotics Team.

For the future:

- Be more aware of food allergies (one with egg/soy allergy and not much for them)- perhaps some prizes with no food
- Include in the letter perhaps to ask about allergies
- Perhaps sell raffle tickets ahead of time
- Involve the students more

Labelling was done well.

Brennan Family Donation:

Trust fund has been set up for the children (2 children- grades 3/5).  
Unanimous approval during on-line voting to put in a donation from CSC.  
How much? \$500- Put to the vote and approved unanimously

Here is the info should anyone else like to contribute:

E-transfer to: easorbara@gmail.com

Cheque to Beth Sorbara

RBC Clients can transfer funds to: RBC Account #003-01882-5054580

#### Pasta Dinner and Date:

- We need a committee to help with this event- Volunteers: Lerida, Amy, Val (Day), Melissa
- Everyone capable of coming will help serve.
- 5-7 pm discussed as the time.
- Templates for form/tickets will be forwarded from Dolly to Melissa.
- For easy payment we will ask Catherine to do on-line ordering
- We will get the Grade 8 involved in helping out- posters/set-up
- We usually first week of May- Wed May 4<sup>th</sup> is free for the gym. That date selected and confirmed.
- Melissa will source out prices for catering- Sweet Paradise, Genuine, Roma- Last year we went with Roma
- Raffles/silent auction? Maybe not, let's keep it simple and not really a fundraiser, just an event

#### Funding Ideas for Ward 1

##### IDEAS

1. Greenhouse- can be used year-round, is it accessible to the public?
2. Outdoor Garden- pergola (shade), tree barrier (sound), more flowers
3. Play ground?? The one at Cootes Paradise school (Evergreen did it) is quite nice, the one at St. Josephs is not liked as much.

Ainslie Wood community association- Craig went to see what they might be interested in- focused on Rec programs at Prince Phillip School

Teachers: Their priority would be shade and living fence

We want to combine the aforementioned ideas into a bid. Craig will take the lead and we will approach Cootes Paradise School for more information.

Should have a meeting about this with:

Mr. Messina, Superintendent Mr. Morris Hucal ([hucalm@hwcdsb.ca](mailto:hucalm@hwcdsb.ca)), Trustee: Mr. Mark Valvasori ([valvasorimar@hwcdsb.ca](mailto:valvasorimar@hwcdsb.ca)), Kate, Craig

5. **Topic Selection for next meeting-** Pasta Dinner, Picture of CSC, Ward 1 – Craig, Grade 8 Grad Books
6. **Closing Prayer**

Next Meeting: March 22, 2016