



OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCHOOL
Catholic School Council Meeting
Monday, April 24, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.
(virtual)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

School Organization

Interim Draft Projections for 2023 -2024

The final first draft of the school enrolment projections was released on February 8th. We are projected at 220 students. In October our actual numbers were 236.

Class Placement meetings: taking place on May 23rd.

Literacy and Numeracy & Excellence in Student Achievement

Mathematics: We continue to focus on Literacy and Numeracy. In math specifically on exploring the elements of the new approach to math focus on fundamental math concepts, use of spatial relationships and shapes, basic number concepts, patterning and geometric concepts, coding skills to improve problem solving and develop fluency with technology, financial literacy including understanding the value and use of money over time, how to manage financial well-being and the value of budgeting. We have a math lead teacher join us on March 20th and will be with us until May 5th. She is working with the teachers from grade 3 – 6. The math lead teacher will work toward closing the gaps in mathematics achievement and building system capacity in best practices in mathematics instruction in **grades 3 through 6**. They will work in collaboration with the classroom teacher and collaborate with staff as part of their mandate of supporting mathematics in schools.

Literacy: continue to look at exploring new ways to share love of reading incorporating reading materials that reflect the learners in our classroom, including opportunities to have materials regarding different cultural, races and families. We will have a literacy lead teacher join us from April 3rd to May 19th. The literacy lead teacher will work toward closing the gaps in reading achievement and building system capacity in best practices in reading instruction in the primary grades. They will work in collaboration with the classroom teacher and/or the principal as part of their mandate of supporting literacy in schools.

Summer School Programmes

SK-5 (Literacy Camps)

Gr. 6, 7 & 8 – Ministry Supported

Reporting Timelines

June 12: *PA Day (Term 2 Assessment & Evaluation of Pupil Progress)*

June 16: *Reports submitted to the Office*

June 27: *Reports go home!*

(Interviews upon request up to June 30, last day)

EQAO: to take place from **Tuesday, May 30 to Friday June 9, 2023** for the grades 3 and 6's at Our Lady of Fatima.

Journey into Learning: *taking place on Wednesday May 17th, @ 6:00 p.m.* We will be inviting our new JK registrations to come and meet the FDK team, get some information on the expectations of FDK and participate in some centres.

FDK end of year celebration: will be on Friday June 23rd. (more information forthcoming).

Student Activities

1. **Hot Lunches:** Pizza Lunches, Subway and Tonino's still taking place. Subway very successful
2. **Virtue of Kindness** – Took place on March 29th @ 2:20 p.m. Presented by Mrs. Grech-Aiello and Mr. Milotic's class with readers from Mrs. Loiacono's class
3. **Jump Rope for Heart** – kickoff took place on April 14th. Event taking place on April 24th
4. **Basketball tournament** – Intermediate Boys and Girls tournament took place on Wednesday April 15th. The boys and girls did well. They had a lot of fun. Thank you to the coaches, Mrs. Orange and Mrs. Stipanic.
5. **Book Fair-** took place on Feb 13th – Feb 17th
6. **Take me outside day event** – took place from Feb 13-24th. Organized by Mrs. Albanese.
7. **French Café** – Took place on March 9th for students in grades 4-8. Spearheaded by Mr. Milotic. Staff supported him with scheduling, organizing stations, sorting snacks. (all money raised went to Sharelife)
8. **In-school tutoring:** completed on March 22nd.
9. **Rosary Apostolate:** took place on March 20th. We have another virtual one taking place on April 17th. Live rosary will be on May 3rd, school wide event in the gym. Primary @ 10:40 and Junior/Intermediate @ 12:40
10. **Shrove Tuesday:** took place on Tues Feb 21st. Thank you to Christina and Mrs. Crowe, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Sassine, Mrs. Francia for cooking.
11. **Art Gallery:** thank you to Mrs. Albanese who had an art gallery in the library with her students art work for Black History month
12. **Ash Wednesday liturgy:** took place on Feb 22nd thank you to Ms. Bozzo and her class.
13. **Pink Shirt day:** took place on Wed Feb 22nd
14. **Lenten Confessions:** took place on Friday Mar 3rd
15. **Hygiene Drive:** Thank you to Mrs. Cachia for organizing. During the Season of Lent, we held our Hygiene Drive. This took place *from February 22 – March 31. Items were donated to **Women's Shelter in Brampton.***

16. **Water presentations:** thank you to Mrs. Doljac for organizing for the grade 2's and grade 8's.
17. **Dairy Farmer Presentations:** happened on March 21, 22 and April 9th. Thank you to Ms. Stipanic for organizing. Sessions were between **30-40 minutes** in length and they connected to the Ontario curriculum.
18. **Stations of the Cross:** took place on April 6th. Thank you to Mrs. Bergie and Mrs. Cachia for organizing. Intermediate students
19. **Year End Celebration:** to take place on
20. **School Wide Bowling:** Thank you to Ms. Stipanic who has booked our school year end trip to Bowlero for Tuesday June 20th. She has also booked the busses for the day (I will incur the cost for the bussing). We will be bowling in 2 shifts: 100 each shift 10-11:30am and 10:30-12pm.

Here is the breakdown for the school wide trip:

- \$10.13 for 1.5 hr of bowling with shoe rental/student
- bus is \$196 plus tax so \$221.48 - this is with a shuttle back and forth.

Total: buses x 2 = \$442.96 (**Alessandra**)
 bowling x 231 = \$2340.03 (**School Council**)

Grand total: \$2782.99

Sacramental

First Communion: taking place on Sunday June 11th @ 2:30 p.m.

Confirmation: taking place on Tuesday June 6th @ 6:00 p.m.

Graduation: Will be on Monday June 26th. Still working on details. Previous years, school council contributed money to the graduating class. Last year, the council paid for the graduation gifts for the students which was in the amount of **\$420**. We would like for this to be reciprocated this year if possible.

Catholic Education Week: Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together: Catholic Education Week 2023 will be held **April 30 – May 5**. Catholic Education Week begins on a Sunday to highlight the partnership that remains the foundation of Catholic education between our Catholic schools and local Catholic parishes.

This year's theme is **We are Many, We are One / À plusieurs, nous sommes un.** "We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members, one of another." (Romans 12:5)

Monday:	When we see / En voyant
Tuesday:	When we listen / En écoutant
Wednesday:	When we reflect / En réfléchissant
Thursday:	When we learn / En apprenant
Friday:	When we act / En agissant

Year End BBQ: Date – Wednesday June 28th @ 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Farm Animals

Popcorn(vendor on site made fresh)

Food

Face Painting

Selfie Station

Ice Cream Truck

Fire Truck/Police car

Music

Magician/DJ

Skee ball

Respectfully submitted,

A. Fiore

Principal

Council approved cost for bowling

School will be paying for the bussing

Council approved money for grade 8 graduation gift