

# May 2026 Newsletter

## Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week will take place between May 3rd to May 8th.

There are five sub-themes for each day of Catholic Education Week:

Day 1:	Monday	Peace be with you
Day 2:	Tuesday	God loves you
Day 3:	Wednesday	Christ saves you
Day 4:	Thursday	The Holy Spirit lives in you
Day 5:	Friday	Together on the journey

God of grace and love

Strengthen and sustain us as we continue to journey as pilgrims of hope.

Guide us on the path to holiness with the light of your love.

Inspire us to serve joyfully in the love of Christ through the beautiful examples of the saints.

As we journey together in faith, may we experience the peace of Christ through the presence of one another.

We pray that all young people in our Catholic schools may believe, and become empowered by, these three important Gospel messages:

“God love you!”

“Christ saves you!”

“The Holy Spirit lives in you!”

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

## Victoria Day

Just a reminder that Monday, May 18th is Victoria Day and there will be no school. Enjoy the holiday with family and friends!

## Retrospect Popcorn Fundraiser

Order forms will be going home on May 6th for the Parent Council Retrospect Popcorn Fundraiser. This will be the last fundraiser of the school year, please try to support it!!!

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**Mr. J. VanLeuvenhage**

**Secretary**

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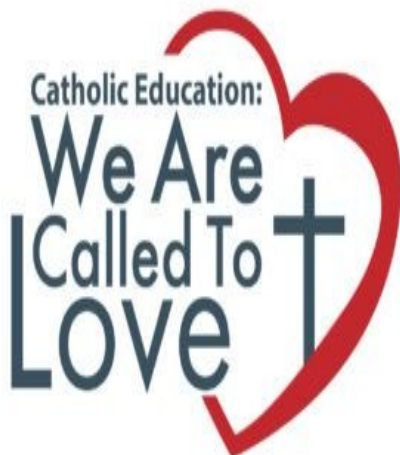
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## Happy Mother's Day

We would like to wish all the Mother's a very Happy Mother's Day on Sunday, May 10th . Enjoy your special day.

*Loving God,*

*We thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us,*

*Whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,*

*Whose patience seems to have no end.*

*May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.*

*We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience.*

*We ask you to bless them with your own special love.*

*We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother.*

*Amen*



Parish  
Information

**Parish**

**Pastor:** Father  
Seejo John

**Masses:**

Sat. 5:00 p.m.  
Sacred Heart,  
Langton

Sun. 8:30 a.m.  
St. Michael's,  
Walsh

Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
Sacred Heart,  
Langton

## Reminder to Parents

As you are all aware it has been a very bad season for ticks in our area. There have been a few ticks spotted around the school yard, so please make sure you check your child/ren.

## Track and Field

Students in Grade 4 to 8 will have the opportunity to compete in the School Track and Field Meet on Tuesday, June 2nd at Holy Trinity. The Board meet will be held on Wednesday, June 10th also at Holy Trinity.

## Catholic Education Week

We have a few events planned during the week of Catholic Education Week.

May 4th - Catholic Leadership Awards—Congratulations to Matthew O.

May 5th—Chess Competition at Notre Dame in Brantford

May 6th—Haldimand Norfolk Cross Country Meet in Waterford

May 8th—Jump Rope for Heart Event 2:30 p.m.

## Dress Code

As the warm weather is upon us it is time to remind students of St. Michael's School's dress code. We rely on the good judgement and support of parents in helping students to determine appropriate wear for school. Please keep in mind these points in our code.

All clothing must follow the rule, "The top must meet the bottom and the bottom must meet the top". No short shorts/skirts, bare midriffs, halter tops, tank tops etc. No language and / or representation on attire that indicates gang affiliation and / or depicts violence, profanity or discrimination of any kind whatsoever or that otherwise demeans and identifiable individual group. Also, clothing with advertising of cannabis, alcohol, or any other adult substances is prohibited. Modesty and common sense are the main guideline for our dress code.

## EQAO

Our Grade 3 and 6 students are participating in the annual provincial assessment. They will write on May 19th, 20th, and 22nd. We ask that you refrain from scheduling appointments and trips on these days, so that your child can be in class for all of the assessment. Water is necessary for our optimum brain functioning, so we are also requesting that you send your child with water bottles. Finally, adequate sleep and rest are key. There is no studying required, as teachers will have students complete sample questions to prepare.

## Volleyball

We would like to congratulate the girls' and boy's volleyball teams who represented St. Michael's well at the Board Tournament held on April 14th. Team members included: Aubree A., Riley B., Mason B., Grace B., Max B., Casey C., Olivia D., Alexa D., Cruz H., Brienna H., Kaiden K., Loukas L., Matthew O., Levi O., Eliana P., Cylis P., Jordyn R., Liliana S., and Etta W.

Both teams had a very strong showing at the tournament and the Boy's Team came home with championship. Congratulations to both teams!!  
Thanks again to Ms. Handsaeme and Ms. Oud for coaching the teams.

## Chess Tournament

Good luck to the following students who will represent our school at the Board Chess Tournament on May 5th:  
Harwin B., Alaina B., Grace B., Max B., Liv C., Sebastian C., Liliana D., Brienna H., Remy P., and Etta W.

Special thanks to Madame Worden for helping teach and practice with the students.

## Grade 8 Graduation

Grade 8 Graduation will take place on Monday, June 22nd in the gymnasium at St. Michael's School. More details will follow.



## Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart will be held on Friday, May 8th. Please help fundraise for our school at [St Michael's Catholic School - Simcoe | Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart](#) . Thanks again to Mrs. Kitchenham for organizing this great event.

## Volunteer Police Checks

With plans for class trips coming up we would like to remind all parents to please make sure that your police check is up to date. If you need a form to update or apply for a police check, please contact Mrs. Mertens at the office as they are all completed online now. The Police Checks are now valid for 5 years.

## Spirit Days

Students will have the opportunity to participate in the following Spirit Days during the month of May.

Wednesday, May 13th—Warrior Day

Tuesday, May 26th—Hat & Sunglasses Day

Friday, May 29th—Gum Day .25¢

## Kindergarten Orientation

We will be having a Kindergarten Orientation day on Wednesday, May 13th at 1:45 p.m. for the new students that will be attending St. Michael's in September. Please welcome them to our school.



**Cooking and enjoying food with others helps maintain our mental health**

Help your child build confidence and self-esteem:

- Cook together
- Try new foods
- Grow your own veggies and fruit
- Eating with others
- Share food traditions

Have fun with your food, the more hands-on the better!

Adapted with permission from Middlesex-London Health Unit

