

# May



# Newsletter

## Catholic Education Week

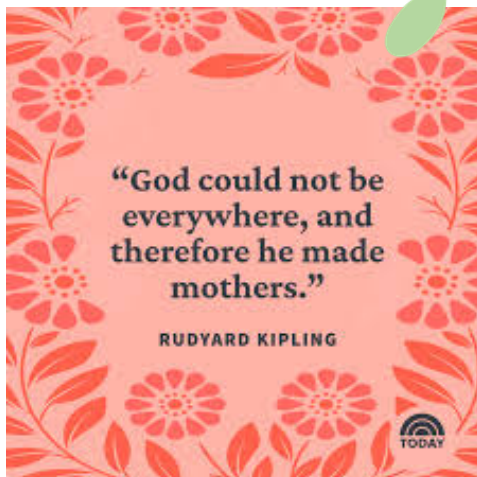
### OPEN HOUSE, BOOK FAIR & BBQ

We invite our students and families to our Open House, Book Fair & BBQ. Please pre-order on School Cash Online before May 4.

Hamburgers/Chips/Drink: \$6.00

Hotdog/Chips/Drink: \$4.00

We look forward to seeing everyone here!!



# Happy Mother's Day



# Principal's MESSAGE



Hard to believe that we've rounded the corner and are heading down the home stretch. The remainder of the school year will only accelerate.

I hope that your Easter was a joyful one, and that you got a chance to spend some time with family and friends.

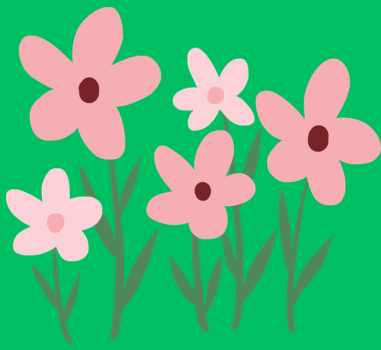
May is also known as a time when we recognize Catholic Education Week. We give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education. The Catholic schools of the BHCDSB and the province of Ontario do our best to foster Christ-centered learning communities. We continue to model the Gospel values in our daily lives. Catholic Education Week celebrations will see us offer an Open House BBQ on the Thursday of the week.

EQAO Testing will take place at the end of this month and the beginning of next. While we like to think of it as a chance for the children to demonstrate their capabilities, we also recognize that it is simply a snapshot in time, and may not capture their potential.

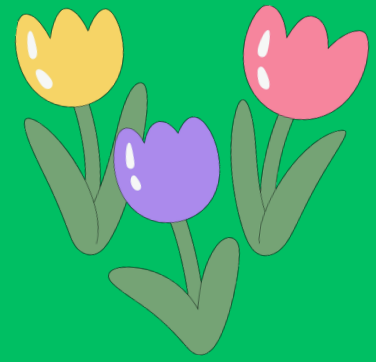
Other events on the horizon include Cross Country, Track & Field, year-end class trips and of course celebrating our Grade 8 graduates (More about that in next month's Newsletter.

~Mr. Persia~





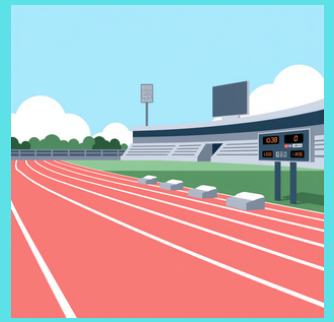
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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4 CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD/ WRAPS	5 KELSEY'S	6 Cross Country in Waterford (raindate May 7)	7 PIZZA Open House, Book Fair & BBQ 4-6	8
11 SPAGHETTI LUNCH MOTHER'S DAY SPA DAY GR. 2/3/4	12 WEAR FLOWERS DAY KELSEY'S STEM	13 STEM	14 PIZZA STEM	15
18 VICTORIA DAY NO SCHOOL	19 KELSEY'S	20 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 5:00 PM	21 PIZZA June Lunch Orders Due	22 BEACH DAY 
25 GRILLED CHEESE LUNCH	26 KELSEY'S	27	28 PIZZA	29 COLOUR DAY & MONTH END ASSEMBLY



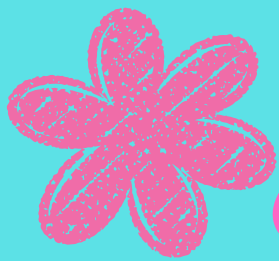
# Athletics @ OLOF



**Our Cross Country team has been practicing for the last few weeks in preparation for the Cross Country Meet on Wednesday, May 6 at the Waterford Train Station Trail. Thanks to Mrs. Hartwell and Mrs. Vermeersch for coaching.**

**Good Luck Bulldogs!**

**Track and Field Practices will also be taking place soon as well. The school's Track & Field Meet will take place at Holy Trinity on June 2. Board Meet is June 10.**



## STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATES



Our Student Council has planned 2 spirit days in May.

May 12- wear flowers day - flowered shirts, flowered pants, flowers in your hair etc.

May 22 - Beach Day (no bathing suits) colourful clothes, sun hats, sunglasses, sandals etc. Please keep dress code in mind.

Colour Day and our month end assembly will be held on May 29.

Be sure to wear your Colour House **COLOUR!**

As a community engagement project our Student Council wanted to start a Book Lending Library for the community which will be placed in front of the school. Thank you to Mr.

Hutchings for building the library. Student Council will be busy painting it in the next couple weeks. We are looking for donations of books to start the library. If you have a few books to donate it would be greatly appreciated.





## **Healthy Habitats - Healthy Minds**

Join us for a fun, hands-on program where youth, ages 7–11 and their caregivers, explore wildlife, learn about turtles, and build skills like mindfulness, empathy, and resilience.

**Connect with nature**  
**Grow a healthy mind**  
**Protect local wildlife**



Made possible by a TD Friends of the Environment Grant, Child & Youth Mental Health Services and Hobbistee Animal Rescue are excited to offer 4 free interactive sessions.

**When: Saturdays: May 16, June 20, July 11, August 15 2026**

**Time: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Rain or Shine)**

**Where: 101A Nanticoke Creek Pkwy, Townsend,**

Free to youth in Haldimand & Norfolk and Neighbouring Communities. Space is limited!

**To Register:** Call 519-587-2441 ext. 283 or  
Email: [nschuur@hnreach.on.ca](mailto:nschuur@hnreach.on.ca)



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# Calling All Young Gardeners

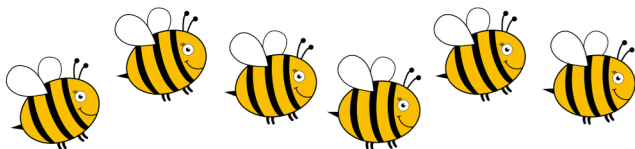
Create a Magical Pollinator Garden  Create Your Calm  
Grow Your Mental Fitness  Disconnect from Screens 

**We are seeking**

## **POLLINATOR PALS**

Are you ready to embark on an exciting and fulfilling journey that not only helps the environment but also enhances your mental fitness?

**Come Help Us Plant a Pollinator Garden!**



Townsend Garden  
Tuesday May 12, 2026  
4:30 pm -5:30 pm  
**101 NanticokeCreekPkwy, Townsend**

**OR**

Dunnville Garden  
Tuesday May 26, 2026  
4:30 pm -5:30 pm  
**110 RamseyDrive, Dunnville**

Ages 7-11 - Free to youth in Haldimand, Norfolk, and Neighbouring Communities - Space is limited

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