## Last and Final Note from Ms. Bortolussi Week of November 20 - 25th



A message from your new Principal Mrs. J. Snyder:

Greetings, I am thrilled to introduce myself as the new school principal of St Margaret Mary CES. With a background of over 21 years as an educator in various communities within the York Catholic District School Board, I bring a wealth of experience and dedication to my new role. My journey in education led me to serve as a vice principal at a bustling middle school in Toronto in recent years. I am deeply committed to fostering a nurturing and spiritually enriched learning environment that empowers students to grow academically, emotionally, and spiritually. I look forward to serving the students, families and staff of St. Margaret Mary.

Monday was World Kindness Day. Let us pray for God's guidance to fill our hearts with love and compassion for one another.

Loving God,

We come to you with gratitude for the gift of love and compassion you have bestowed upon us. May your spirit of love guide our hearts and inspire us to treat one another with kindness and respect. May we be able to recognize the opportunities that surround us for acts of kindness. We pray for the courage to stand against injustice and the strength to promote empathy and understanding. May we be instruments of peace and understanding in this world that is sometimes overshadowed by darkness. In your name we pray. Amen.





This year, Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week runs from November 19-25, 2023. This week enables schools to promote positive change in student learning, achievement, and well-being for a safer learning environment, which is essential to student success. This week is also an opportunity to increase awareness of the available tools and resources.

## **Resources for Parents and Guardians**

To support school boards with their ongoing commitment to the prevention of bullying and cyberbullying, the ministry is pleased to share the attached Parent Information Sheet with a link to the newly updated parent/guardian web page entitled, 'Bullying, we can all help stop it'.

## Please review the upcoming events:

Monday, November 20	<ul> <li>Bullying Awareness &amp; Prevention Week</li> <li>Pizza Lunch</li> </ul>
Tuesday, November 21	Hero Burger
Wednesday, November 22	<ul> <li>Quesada Lunch</li> <li>Immunization Clinic Grades 7 &amp; 8</li> <li>CSC Meeting 7;00 pm library</li> </ul>
Thursday, November 23	Express Chicken
Friday, November 24	No events



**Student Resource Area on YCDSB Website:** Access to the elementary section of the Student Resource page has changed. Students are now required to log into their YCDSB Google account to view the available resources and login credentials for those resources. Students may access the elementary resources by visiting the student section of the Board website via this URL: <a href="https://www.ycdsb.ca/students/student-resources">www.ycdsb.ca/students/student-resources</a>.

Wishing you all a successful rest of the year. Thank you for allowing me the wonderful opportunity to serve this community and getting to know your amazing children. Wishing you many continued blessings. Mrs. Snyder will assume her role as Principal effective Monday, November 20th.

God's speed,

## J. Bortolussi

