



St. Margaret Mary CES

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Dear Families,

I hope this message finds you well. St. Margaret Mary's Carnival Week will be taking place soon (Monday, January 29th to Thursday, February 1st). Please see [this attached document](#) for all pertinent information. We are grateful to our Catholic School Council for supporting all of the planned treats and activities!

Yours in Catholic Education,
Mrs. Snyder

Prayer:

God our Father,

you reveal to us your love through Christ and through our brothers and sisters. Open our hearts so that we can welcome each other with our differences and live in forgiveness. Grant us to live united in one body, so that the gifts in each person come to light.

May all of us together be a reflection of the living Christ. Amen.



Week at a Glance

Monday	January 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lego Club• Pizza Lunch
Tuesday	January 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hero Burger
Wednesday	January 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quesada Lunch
Thursday	January 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lego Club• Intermediates to Snow Valley• Express Chicken
Friday	January 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Civvies Day- please consider a \$2.00 donation for ShareLife.• See you tomorrow (Jan 27th at 7pm) for Skate Night!

School-Day is coming (Cashless School)

Early next week, all parents/guardians will be receiving a School Day introduction letter with a unique Secure-Match key, which can be used to link Student information to Parent accounts. *St. Margaret Mary will be transitioning to School Day slowly, with the goal of using it, almost exclusively, by the end of the 2023-2024 school year.*

School Day is an online cashless system for use by parents, teachers and office administrative staff. We are implementing School-Day to minimize the handling of cash by students, teachers and office staff, to reduce paper, and to streamline office efficiencies.

School-Day can be accessed via either a web browser or their progressive web app, and gives parents real-time, secure access to up-to-date information, and gives schools the ability to allow their parents to:

- Complete online payments for trips or other activities
- Avoid the risks associated with sending money to school with your child
- Approve permission forms instantly online
- Reduce the environmental impact of photocopying permission forms and announcements
- Sign up for parent/teacher interviews
- Register your child for extra-curricular events

Once you register, you can choose to purchase the items or activities using a debit or credit card. You will be able to see when the school has a new item posted online for purchase and you will also have the option to be notified whenever your child has a new school event requiring payment.

Ash Wednesday/Valentines Day

Please make note of Ash Wednesday and St. Valentine's Day, both falling on February 14th this year. Ash Wednesday is a sombre occasion that marks the beginning of the 40 days of Lent.

For classes that wish to celebrate St. Valentine's Day, they will do so on February 13th. All students in our Catholic schools must celebrate Ash Wednesday on the day recognized by the Church to properly mark the start of Lent

Terry Fox Run: Money Raise for Cancer

We are thrilled to share the final results!

St. Margaret Mary CES has successfully raised \$1,105.00 for cancer research!

Total raised in 2023 from all schools in Canada: \$13.7 million.

Way to go Eagles!!!

Upcoming:

Jan 29-Feb 1- Joyeux Carnaval!

Feb. 2nd- PA Day

Feb 5- Intermediates to Snow Valley

Feb 9- Dear My Anxiety Workshop for Grades 4-8

Feb 12- Aubrey Norhanda Anti-Racism Assemblies (division specific)

Feb 13- Shrove Tuesday

Feb 13- Early St. Valentine's Day Celebrations

Feb 13- Report Cards Home

Feb 14- Ash Wednesday