



# St. Margaret Mary CES

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Dear Families,

Next week is Halloween Spirit Week at St. Margaret Mary. We are looking forward to all of the fun and engaging activities that are planned. On Thursday, October 31st, students are welcome to wear a Halloween costume.

Kindly be reminded that costume props, and/or replica weapons may not be brought to school. Costumes should be respectful of the diversity in our communities and therefore should not reflect symbols or objects representative of another person's culture and/or race that may trivialize, devalue, or appropriate any culture or race. Costumes that mock social identities through stereotyping are also unacceptable. If students are unsure about their costume idea, they should speak with their classroom teacher or Principal. We are looking forward to a fun and respectful Halloween for all.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mrs. Snyder

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### Prayer

*Throughout the month of October, we continue to reflect on the virtue of compassion:*  
 God of compassion,  
 You have created us with your love  
 and you sent Jesus, Your son to teach us how to pray and to live in harmony with one another. May we  
 always live in Your love. Amen

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## Week at a Glance- October 28-November 1, 2024

<b>Monday</b>	Oct 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fun Hat/Socks Day</li> <li>• Pizza Lunch 🍕</li> <li>• Lego Club 11:15-12:15</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Oct. 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fun Accessories Day</li> <li>• Picture Retake and Sibling Picture Day</li> <li>• Grade 7 Immunization Clinic</li> <li>• Bar Burrito Lunch 🌮</li> <li>• Intermediate VB Tournament</li> <li>• Yearbook Committee Meeting (3:10-4:20 pm)</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Oct. 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black, White and Gray Day</li> <li>• Harvey's Lunch 🍔</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b>	Oct. 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Halloween Dance-A-Thon</li> <li>• X-Press Chicken 🍗</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b>	Nov. 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cookie Sales 🍪</li> </ul>

**EARLY PICK-UPS:** Please remember that our school day ends at 3:10 PM. Calling into a classroom to request early dismissals can disrupt the learning environment for all students. We understand that extenuating situations, such as appointments outside of school hours, may arise. If you need to pick up your child early for an appointment, please report the departure using the SafeArrival Absence Reporting phone number at 1-855-856-7862 or visit the website: [go.schoolmessenger.ca](http://go.schoolmessenger.ca). Thank you for your understanding!

**SCENT SAFE SCHOOL:** Please avoid wearing fragrances or scented products to SMM school. We have staff members and students who have life threatening allergies to scents. Exposure to fragrances or scented products can trigger serious health and allergic reactions for individuals who suffer with asthma, allergies and migraines or who have chemical sensitivities. All employees, students and all visitors to our school should avoid the use of strongly scented products while at our school. Thank you for your continued cooperation in this matter and for keeping all our St. Margaret Mary community safe.

**HALLOWEEN FUN:** 🎃 Please see some notes below from our Intermediate Spirit Council: We have raised **\$4836.00** for our Spook-A-Thon Fundraiser so far! That's quite a large amount, but we know we can do better! Keep bringing in those donations so you can qualify for an early bird prize or maybe even the grand prize of Principal for a Day!

### **Food Drive**

Students are asked to bring in non-perishable food items to support Vaughan Food Bank. This is also a competition; Spirit Council will come to collect cans as they come in. Students may start bringing food items as soon as they can.

### **Candy Count**

Spirit Council will be going from class to class if students would like to participate. It is \$0.25 per guess.

### **Theme Days**

Monday October 28 - Halloween or Fun Hat/Socks Day

Tuesday October 29 - Whimsical Accessories Day

Wednesday October 30 - Colour Me Tim Burton Day (black, white, and gray accessories)

Thursday October 31 - Spook-a-thon

### **HALLOWEEN DANCE-A-THON:**

Thank you for all that have contributed so far. Remember to submit pledge forms by October 31st. The preferred method for donation payments is via [School Day](#), but we will continue to accept cash donations this year. Thank you for your support!

### **UPCOMING: (all important dates can be found on the SMM website):**

- November 8- Ms. Masucci's class to STREAM centre
- November 11- Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:30 am
- November 12- Report Cards available through the Parent Portal
- November 13- Int Boys VB Tournament
- November 14- Parent/Teacher Conferences in the evening
- November 15- PA Day (Parent/Teacher Conferences in the morning)
- November 18- Int Girls VB Tournament



