



# ST. MARY'S SCHOOL COUNCIL



**DATE:** Monday, November 27, 2017

**TIME:** 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Seminar Room 2.1 (beside main office)

**Facilitator:** Bose Blokland & Julie Hofstetter

**Recorder:** Amanda Isley

**Prayer:** Bose Blokland

## - AGENDA -

### Upcoming Events for St. Mary's High School:

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| Nov. 1 - Grade 8 Day<br>- Take our kid to Work Day  | Nov. 22 - Report Card Distribution<br>- Canadian National Math League<br>- <i>SHSM Event</i> | Dec. 14 - Community Christmas Dinner                               |
| Nov. 3 - Friday Mass with Fr. Toby  | Nov. 23 - <i>SHSM Event</i>  | Dec. 15 - Friday Mass with Fr. Toby                                |
| Nov. 6 - Conestoga College Degree Program   | Nov. 24 - Powerlifting Meet  | Dec. 20 - Dress Down Day<br>- Wrestling Tournament                 |
| Nov. 8 - D8 boys vball  | Nov. 25 - DECA Regionals   | Dec. 22 - Christmas Assembly                                       |
| Nov. 9 - Semester 1 - 2nd half<br>Civics/Careers  | Nov. 27 - School Council Meeting   | Dec. 26 - Christmas Break (26 - Jan. 6)                            |
| Nov. 10 - Friday Mass with Fr. Toby   | Nov. 28 - Practice Literacy Test   | Jan. 9 - Canadian National Math League                             |
| Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day   | Nov. 29 - Dress Down Day<br>- <i>SHSM Event</i>  | Jan. 11 - Grad. Meeting (Gr. 12)                                   |
| Nov. 13 - D8 girls bball  | Nov. 30 - Grade 8 Night  | Jan. 12-13 - Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament                        |
| Nov. 14 - Canadian National Math League<br>- Athletic Scholarship Presentation<br>- Staff Meeting | Dec. 1 - Friday Mass with Fr. Toby   | Jan. 16 - Grade 11 Course Selection                                |
| Nov. 15 - Grade 11 Course Selection   | Dec. 2 - Musical Dress Rehearsal (2-5)   | Jan. 17 - Dress Down Day   |
| Nov. 16 - Semi Formal   | Dec. 3 - Grad Photos this week (apt only)  | Jan. 18 - EQAO math  |
| Nov. 17 - PA Day<br>- CWOSSA Girls AAA (17-18)  | Dec. 5 - Musical Production (5-9)  | Jan. 19 - Grade 11 Course Selection<br>- Friday Mass with Fr. Toby |
| Nov. 20 - Musical Prep (20-29)  | Dec. 6 - <i>SHSM Event</i> (6-7)   | Jan. 23 - Quiet Day (23 - 25)                                      |
| Nov. 21 - <i>SafeTALK - Suicide Prevention</i>  | Dec. 8 - PA Day  | Jan. 26 - Evaluations (26 - Feb. 1)                                |
|   | Dec. 12 - Canadian National Math League  | Feb. 2 - PA Day  |
|   | Dec. 13 - Career Fair<br>- Sacrament of Reconciliation                                       |  |

## SCHOOL COUNCIL BUSINESS

TOPIC	OUTCOME	FACILITATOR
<b><i>Prayer</i></b>	Opening prayer	<b>Bose Blokland (5 min)</b>
<b><i>Student Council</i></b>	Members will hear of student activities for November and December.	<b>Erik Caceros / Naomie Seh (20 minutes)</b>
<b><i>Parent Communication Resources</i></b>	Overview of parent/student monitoring resources.	<b>John Dietrich (15 min)</b>
<b><i>School Council Funding Request</i></b>	Suggested process for re-distribution of funds collected by School Council through used uniform sales.	<b>John Dietrich (10 minutes)</b>
<b><i>PIC Grant</i></b>	Consensus was to use the funds for a banner for feeder schools was given. A sample of St. David's banner and tri fold is attached. Would anyone like to spearhead this project and work with administration (John) to have completed?	<b>Julie Hofstetter (10 minutes)</b>
<b><i>PRO Grant</i></b>	Thursday May 10 <sup>th</sup> is the proposed night for the multicultural evening. Dates for meetings should be discussed.	<b>Bose Blokland &amp; Julie Hofstetter (15 minutes)</b>
<b><i>Items for Discussion</i></b>	One query from each parent to go on a FAQ trifold for parents Donation day for clothing that has been outgrown Updates to Tri-Fold – used for parent council table	<b>Bose Blokland &amp; Julie Hofstetter (20 minutes)</b>
<b><i>Grade 8 Night</i></b>	Volunteers are needed on November 30 <sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm, to answer any questions they may have parent to parent, and promote the booster club.	<b>Julie Hofstetter (5 minutes)</b>
<b><i>Additional items/Discussion Points</i></b>	Additional items discussed during the meeting.	

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<b>FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</b>	Achievement Trends –School Improvement Plan for Student Achievement (SIPSA) D2L vs Google Classroom eLearning – do you have to take in class, how does it work Used Uniform Donations/Sale More than end of year Review of new website	

**INFORMATION ITEMS**






St. David



Family of Schools



## Daily Routines

### **If my child is going to be away at a medical appointment, or is ill and will not be attending school, how do I notify the school?**

The expectations are the same as Elementary school. Please call our school attendance line (519-885-4352) and leave a message. This line is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This line is very busy from 7:00-9:00 AM on school days, so if you know about your child's absence in advance, please call ahead of time. If your child needs to leave for an appointment during the day, he/she should go to the attendance office before the start of period one with a note and he/she will be given an admit slip that allows them to leave class early. Upon return to the school from an appointment or late arrive, students report to the attendance office for an admit slip before going to class. If your child should feel ill during the day, they are required to go to the attendance office so that a parent/guardian can be contacted.

### **Can I volunteer in high school?**

Any time that you can volunteer is up to you and greatly appreciated. For volunteering opportunities in the classroom or with sports teams **you are asked to e-mail your request to a school administrator.**

### **Where can we get school uniforms?**

New uniforms are available from McCarthy's, located at 44 Saltsman Drive, Unit #1, Cambridge (416-593-6900). Be aware that popular sizes may sell out early or shop online at [www.rjmccarthy.com](http://www.rjmccarthy.com).

Gently used uniforms are on sale to ALL students at registration and at the fall Grade 9 & 10 Meet the teacher night for \$10 per item.

## School Cafeteria

The nutrition policy ensures that a variety of nutritious foods and beverages are available to students and staff, creating a supportive environment for making healthy food choices. By reducing foods with minimal nutritional value and calorie dense beverages, and increasing foods with moderate or maximum nutritional value, we model healthy behaviour and avoid sending students and staff mixed messages. This policy supports the Catholic Graduate Expectations of responsible citizenship and development of a self-directed responsible life-long learner. Implementation of the policy demonstrates that the school values the health of students and staff.

## Facility

### **What are the different offices for?**

All visitors to the school are required by law to sign-in at the Main Office. The *Main Office* is a short distance down the corridor to the left of the front doors. The Principal and Vice-Principal's Offices are here as well as the reception area. The *Attendance Office* is on the left just before the Main Office. To reach the *Guidance Office* go past the Main Office and take the first corridor to the right. Follow that corridor to almost the end. Please make an appointment prior to visiting Guidance.

### **Do you have an orientation program for new students?**

We offer an orientation afternoon for new students in Grade 9 on the first day of school. All Grade 9 students will be part of the school's LINK program. The LINK program "LINKS" up two senior student leaders with a group of ten Grade 9 students. These senior students act as role models and guide the group of grade nines through their first year of school. As well, Period One "home room" teachers spend a significant amount of time and effort looking after the orientation of new Grade 9 students during the first few weeks of the school year.

## Varsity Athletics

### **What do I need to know about my child participating in sports?**

For school team sports there is a participation fee and a one time fee for the awards banquet in June. In addition, some sports such as football or soccer require a uniform fee in order to participate. The uniform fee varies from year to year, depending on need. You may need to plan ahead for this expense. Tryouts are at the beginning of each season. Contact the athletic department for further details.

Visit <http://www.district8.ca/> for District 8 & WCSSAA school sports updates.



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