



ST. JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Catholic School Council Meeting | Agenda

October 17, 2023 | 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Attendance:

- Jennifer Falzon
- Melissa Pelan
- Lia Alfano
- Elizabeth Lee
- Heather Anderson
- Annette Chiodo
- Agnes Reed
- Dana Cayer
- Amanda Jones
- Cait Johnston
- Keri Churchill
- Rhonda Stacey, DECE
- Jill Dolan, Teacher Rep
- Kate Remiz, Principal
- Laura Sternad, Vice Principal

Regrets:

- Christina Pal
- Lina Palacios
- Kathy McGhee
- Tara Lapine

1. Welcome

2. Land Acknowledgment

3. Opening Prayer

4. Principal's Report

a. General School Update

- Boilers are almost finished being installed; roof is still being monitored and a plan is forthcoming.
- Food Days – Tuesday (Bar Burrito), Wednesday (Subway), Thursday (Pizza)
 - November purchases closes on Sunday
- P.A. Day – November 17th

b. Academic/Programming Update

- EQAO results – see slide
- Individual Education Plans – went home today
- Progress Reports – November 13th
- Parent/Guardian/Caregiver and Educator conference – November 16th

- c. **Witnessing Faith Update**
 - i. Rosary Apostolate Volunteers
 - ii. First mass – last Wednesday – a wonderful way to come together
 - iii. Bible ceremony – also this past Wednesday
 - iv. Monthly CGE Celebrates Assembly – ‘A discerning believer’ – October 27th

 - d. **Mental Health/Wellness Update**
 - i. Healthy and Accessible Snack Program
 - ii. Cross Country Team – Thank you, Mrs. Lace & Mrs. French
 - iii. Triple Ball Tryouts – Mrs. James (Girls), Mr. Cusma & Ms. Shaw (Boys)
 - iv. Spirit Days – coincide with Celebrates Assemblies at the end of the month – October’s is to wear purple for Child Abuse Prevention month
 - v. Christmas Turkey Dinner Vouchers available – names to be sent to Mrs. Remiz by Tuesday, October 24th
 - vi. Scare Away Hunger Food Drive – October 23rd – October 31st

 - e. **Equity/Inclusion Update**
 - i. Cultural Humility
 - ii. Learning the signs of self-injurious behaviour, as well as suicide prevention
 - iii. Connection with the Public Health Nurse, Lynn Ryan
 - iv. Attendance – a focus over the next few weeks
5. Spirit Wear
- a. Waiting to confirm designs – going to designate one day a week where kids can wear their spirit wear
 - b. Have POC ready for Christmas market to display
 - c. Priority item for Mrs. Remiz/Mrs. Croucher to confirm if POCs can be made available for either:
 - i. Display at Christmas Market
 - ii. Council members to wear during school functions
6. Christmas Market
- a. Friday, December 1st – 5 pm – 8 pm
 - b. Approaching 50 vendors – a variety of vendors attending
 - i. Requests for vendors to stay open until October 30th
 - c. An event for the entire SJ23 community
 - d. Gym, atrium, and learning commons will be needed for vendors
 - e. Mr. & Mrs. Claus are booked and will be located in the Kindergarten classroom – 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
 - f. Food drive – bring a non-perishable food and get a free photo with Santa
 - g. Grinch – ask Mrs. Cook
 - h. [Deadly Grounds Coffee - ¾ pound (\$10), hot chocolate (\$10)] - TBD

- i. No concession, no chips. There will be pizza and drinks.
- j. Baked Sale – parent council to donate, and the SJ23 community
- k. Mr. and Mrs. Claus – Kindergarten room
- l. Face Painting – Mrs. Remiz to reach out to Mrs. Mills
- m. Basket of donated items from vendors for the draw
- n. Student leaders needed – leadership opportunity – reach out to Mrs. Parsons
- o. Socially Awesome Team - posters

7. Dates for Next Meeting

- a. November 14th
- b. March 19th
- c. (April 16th) – if needed
- d. May 14th