

# St. Lucy Catholic Elementary School

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#### Virtue of the Month: RESPECT

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a servant to all, so that I might win more of them. (1 Cor. 9:19)

God wants us to treat all people with the respect they deserve.

Respect...is seeing the goodness in others. It helps us to see others as God sees them, to accept them as they are, and to treat them with dignity.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

February 7 and 13 – Valentine's Day Cookies

February 11-17 – Book Fair

February 11 – Report Cards are sent home

February 13 – Parent/Teacher Interview Evening

February 14 – PA DAY – Parent/Teacher Interviews

February 17 – Family Day

February 20 – Catholic School Council Meeting

6pm

February 27 – Alectra Electricity Assembly



Monday, February 3	Tuesday, February 4	Wednesday, February 5	Thursday, February 6	Friday, February 7
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			ERW Appreciation Day!	Valentine's Day Cookies
				Earth Rangers Presentation
Eco Spirit Week – <b>Wear Green</b>	Eco Spirit Week – <b>Wear Blue</b>	Eco Spirit Week – <b>Wear Orange or Red</b>	Eco Spirit Week – Wear a Warm Sweater	Eco Spirit Week – Wear Green, Blue, or Brown

Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now OPEN! If your child has differing abilities, please read: ...\Registration\REVISED Registration Information.pdf



### <u>Important Information – First Term Report Interviews</u>

This term, interviews will be booked online by parents.

#### \*\*\*Booking availability will open for families on February 3\*\*\*

Parental involvement is key to a child's academic success. Please book an interview to discuss your child(ren)'s progress. If you need assistance with booking an interview, please contact the school.

#### To Book an Interview Time:

- 1. Go to: https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/n2ad5
- 2. The event code is: 33dcb

The deadline to reserve a timeslot is **Wednesday**, **February 12th at 11 PM** using the link above. Time slots are first come first serve.

### **General Reminders:**

### <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

We begin our day at 9:00am with our morning bell, national anthem and daily prayer. Students may be dropped off as early as 8:45am in the school yard. Please note, there is no teacher supervision prior to 8:45am and students should not be left unattended. Students should arrive at school at least 10 minutes prior to the bell to allow time for them to line up with their classmates at the appropriate entrance. It is imperative that students arrive on time so that they do not miss valuable instructional time.

Parents are asked to report their child's absence through school messenger:

WEB: go.schoolmessenger.ca

APP: SchoolMessenger

PHONE: 1-844-435-3440



## **VISITORS**

All **visitors of the school** are reminded that they must report to and sign in at the office when first arriving. Adults in the building who are not staff must wear identification stickers for safety reasons.

To further ensure the safety of all students and to minimize the traffic in school hallways at **arrival and dismissal times**, we ask that parents meet their children outside of the school and away from immediate exit doors.

Any student leaving the school during the day due to appointments, etc., must be signed out at the office.

### **LUNCH TIME PROCEDURES**

We will continue to provide a table just inside the front doors for parents who are dropping their child's lunch off at the school.



Lunches should be clearly la-

belled with your child's name. Please ensure that your child is aware that his/her lunch is being dropped off at the school. We kindly request your understanding that we will not interrupt classes to notify students that their lunch has arrived. If we

# PARENTS IN THE SCHOOLYARD

In keeping with Dufferin-Peel School Board Policy, all visitors to the school must report to the office. Particularly in the first days of school, it is important that we all work together to ensure that there are no adults on school property other than those staff members who are wearing orange safety vests. You may be known to your child, but you are a stranger to other children on the playground.

Please make arrangements to meet your child at a specific place at the end of the day. By continuing to work together, we can ensure a safe environment for your child. Thank you for setting the example and adhering to this important guideline.

### STUDENT MEDICAL CONCERS

St. Lucy CES is an Allergen Aware school. There are pupils in attendance who suffer from severe and



life-threatening allergies to certain foods, such as dairy, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, fish, shellfish, oats, and seafood. Exposure to the smallest quantities can trigger a severe life-threatening reaction. The safety and well-being of all of our students is a priority. In order to ensure the safety and well-being of all pupils, we request that you NOT send any lunches or snacks that contain peanuts and/or tree nuts, including peanut butter substitute products. Please make sure that all of your children's caregivers are aware of the food restrictions. Please avoid sending food for birthdays or special occasions. Should there be additional allergy concerns in specific classrooms, the classroom teacher will share information.

St. Lucy CES continues to participate in "We Share the Air", a Scent Sensitivity Awareness Campaign. There are students in attendance who suffer from life-threatening asthmatic conditions. Exposure even to minimal odours may cause potential life-threatening reactions.

All students with a prevalent medical condition
(Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Epilepsy and Diabetes) must
have a Plan of Care completed and returned to school
as soon as possible. This ensures that school staff can
act appropriately and effectively in the event of a
medical emergency. Hard copies of these forms will
be sent home with your child. Please be reminded
that Epi-Pens have a shelf life of one year.



#### **COMMUNITY INFORMATION BULLETIN: Self-Identification Option for Indigenous Families**

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) is committed to supporting Indigenous (First Nation, Métis, and Inuit) students and families in our schools.

If you are First Nation (Status or Non-Status Indian), Métis, or Inuit, you are invited to self-identify as Indigenous. No documentation or proof of ancestry is required. Self-identification is voluntary and confidential.

"This has been really important for us because of the sense of community and the connection to other Indigenous families." - Melanie Cormier, Parent

Self-identification will provide access to cultural and language programs, as well as monthly programming for Indigenous students and families. Relevant information will be sent directly to families about upcoming cultural events and opportunities which help foster a sense of community and Indigenous pride within Dufferin-Peel.

For more information about the self-identification process and opportunities available to Indigenous students and families, please visit our <u>Indigenous Self-Identification webpage</u>.

If you have any questions or require further clarification, please contact DPCDSB's Indigenous Education Coordinator, Jodie Williams, at <a href="mailto:jodie.williams@dpcdsb.org">jodie.williams@dpcdsb.org</a>.