

# 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:**

March 3 – April 11 – Battery Blitz

March 10 – 14 – March Break!

March 17 – Alectra Assemblies - presentation focuses on

electricity safety & conservation issues

March 18 – Global Recycling Day

March 22 – WWF Earth Hour (lights out on Fri. March 21st)

March 26 – The Great Gulp



Monday, March 3	Tuesday, March 4	Wednesday, March 5	Thursday, March 6	Friday, March 7
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Battery Blitz!	No Grab and Go	Ash Wednesday – Liturgy at		Dog Man Movie
We're excited to	Breakfast today. All	2pm		Based on the popular
announce that our school	students will receive a		Great Big Crunch!	Graphic Novel series by
is participating in the	pancake for <b>Shrove</b>		Students will crunch an	Dav Pilkey
Battery Blitz School Mission!	<b>Tuesday</b> . Please let the		apple to promote healthy	Grades 1-4/5
From March 3rd to April	office know if you do not		food at school (apples will	.,,
11th, we're collecting used	want your child to		be provided)	
batteries to help protect	participate.		,	
the environment and				
wildlife.	EcoSource Workshops		EcoSource Workshops	
	These workshops help		These workshops help	
For more information	student understand how		student understand how	
please visit <u>Get Ready for</u>	they can change their		they can change their	
the Earth Rangers Battery	daily habits to become		daily habits to become	
Blitz Contest! - Recycle	better environmental		better environmental	
Your Batteries, Canada	citizens.		citizens.	



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

#### Important Immunization Message from Peel Public Health

Peel Public Health will be reviewing immunization records of all students at our school. Peel Public Health must have proof that your child has been fully vaccinated (immunized) according to the Ontario immunization schedule. If you receive a letter please ensure that your child has received the required vaccine(s), then give the date(s) your child received these vaccine dose(s) to Peel Public Health immediately to update your child's record. For more information please call Peel Public Health at 905-799-7700 or visit www.lmmunizePeel.ca Translation services are available.

## Security

A reminder that all visitors, **INCLUDING PARENTS**, must come into the office, sign in and pick up a visitor's badge when on a prearranged visit. Anyone not wearing an identification badge will be asked to return to the office immediately. This procedure helps students and staff recognize visitors to our school. For the safety and security of your children, **ONLY** staff and assigned supervisors are allowed in the school yard during all recesses. Parents are kindly asked to **NOT** go into the students' play yard at the back of school. If you need to speak to your child during a recess, arrangements can be made in the front office. We thank you for your cooperation in supporting the safe environment of our school.

### **EQAO Math Night for Parents and Guardians**

EQAO staff will discuss math questions that Ontario students encounter when they participate in Ontario's large-scale assessments. These assessments are taken by all Ontario students in Grades 3, 6 and 9. During the webinar, EQAO staff will show how these math questions help assess the skills students are learning in their math classes. Staff will also share valuable insights from the past three years of assessment results, which can help parents and guardians support their children's math learning.

Registration

#### Snack Shack

Remember to order snacks through SchoolCash online. The money that is raised through our Snack Shack goes toward additional gym equipment to enhance student physical wellness, special events and materials in the school (i.e. Shrove Tuesday, Play Day, indoor recess activities) as well as charitable donations (i.e. Share Life, donation to the parish).

## **EcoSource Workshops**

Workshops are happening in classes. Peel Region's Waste Workshops, delivered by Ecosource, engage students in contemporary waste issues and foster critical thinking through interactive learning and exploration. These curriculum-connected workshops are offered to individual classes (Grades 1-8) across the Peel Region. The program, led by qualified and knowledgeable educators, aims to inspire change in waste reduction practices and study in each classroom by creating awareness amongst students, teachers, and administrators.

#### **Alectra Utilities School Presentations**

St. Lucy will be participating in the Electricity Safety & Conservation (ES&C) program through Alectra Utilities. This is a school-wide presentation designed to enhance students' understanding of electricity safety and conservation. On **March 17**, Ryan Prashad will be visiting the school to talk to the students all about electricity. Please visit their website for more information: <a href="https://esandc.ca/about/">https://esandc.ca/about/</a>

## 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>.