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Vision Statement

Inspired by our rich heritage and challenged by the struggles of our past, we are an inclusive Catholic education community called to express our mission as Church to pass on the good news of Jesus Christ, to make it relevant in the world today and to be the hope for the future.

School Board Information

-Information about **Summer School 2018** which runs from July 3-26, 8:30-11:45am daily, can be found on line at www.rccdsb.edu.on.ca or ask at the GVCS office. Transportation will be provided to the closest Summer School site and this summer the program is locally being offered at St. Andrew's Catholic School in Killaloe. Registration deadline is Thursday, May 24.

-JAG/CRUSADER CAMP:

Who: RCCDSB Grade 4 Students

What: Jag/Crusader Camp gives grade 4 students the opportunity to experience the high school environment and try new things! They will have the chance to make new friends and interact with other grade 4 students from RCCDSB schools. Students will participate in a variety of indoor & outdoor physical education activities, art activities and technology/robotics activities during the week.

Cost: Programs are funded by the Ministry of Education as part of the Literacy & Numeracy initiative and therefore will be at no cost for students. Students will also receive a free Jag or Crusader Camp t-shirt!

Transportation: If required, transportation will be arranged to the nearest site. Parents will be notified of transportation arrangements by the RCJTC.

Registration: to register please go to the RCCDSB website homepage (www.rccdsb.edu.on.ca). Here you will find the "Click to Register" link on right side of the page. You can use <https://goo.gl/YNzHoi> to directly access the online registration form.

Crusader Camp at Bishop Smith Catholic High School, Pembroke
Pembroke & Area
July 9-12, 2018 8:30-11:45

Jag Camp at St. Joseph's High School, Renfrew
Renfrew & Area
July 3-6, 2018 8:30-11:45

-Catholic Education Week is May 6-12. This year's theme is "*Renewing the Promise.*"

The theme for CEW 2018 draws upon previous documents on Ontario Catholic education, namely, "This Moment of Promise" (1989), "Fulfilling the Promise" (1993) and "Our Catholic Schools" (2006-2007). These three documents, while several years apart from each other, all speak of the unique mission of Ontario Catholic education, the importance of its shared leadership by all those involved in Catholic education and the critical role of Catholic education in contemporary society.

Catholic Education Week 2018 combines the themes of reconciliation, solidarity, love, justice and ecology.

There are five sub-themes for each day of Catholic Education Week:

Day 1:	Remembering the Promise
Day 2:	The Promise is Within You
Day 3:	Praying the Promise
Day 4:	Living the Promise
Day 5:	Proclaiming the Promise

Every year, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) provides our Catholic schools with a resource kit to help schools prepare for Catholic Education Week. Using these resources as well as our own developed activities, we have prepared a series of activities which will highlight how our school is *Renewing the Promise*. We hope to see many of you during our school celebrations. They are listed on May' school calendar.

School Information

-You can purchase milk for the month of May using your **School Cash online** account. We also still accept cash \$0.75 a carton.

-Welcome to Miss Raphaela Platt who will be our **tutor in the classroom** for the month of May on Wednesday afternoons and Thursdays.

-Library News: Thank you to all students who are taking advantage of the many books in our library. Unfortunately, we are missing a good number of books so we are asking all families to do a complete check at your house for books that belong to the George Vanier Catholic School library. Thank you so much for your help. We look forward to receiving back many books! Carmel Rumleskie, Volunteer.

-Recycling: Continue to save pop cans for recycling. The money collected from these cans is used for student needs such as bats and balls and other equipment.

School Council

-Our next School Council meeting is on Thursday, May 24 at 5:30pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

-Over \$1100 was raised with our 6th annual Trivia Night. This is up from just over \$700 last year.

Parish Information

Parish Priest: Fr. John Lacey	
Weekend Mass Times:	
Holy Canadian Martyrs, Combermere Saturdays 5pm Sundays 9am	St. Francis de Sales, Latchford Bridge Sundays 11am

- Preparation classes for **the Sacrament of First Communion** will be held on the following dates at 1pm in the School Library: May 10, May 17, and May 31. First Communion is on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 3 at 9am at Holy Canadian Martyrs or 11am at St. Francis de Sales.
- We will be attending **Mass** at Holy Canadian Martyrs Church on Friday, May 11 at 9am.

Thank You

- Ms. Manwell for coaching and accompanying our Volleyball teams to the tournament in April.
- Father John Lacey for the beautiful tour of Holy Canadian Martyrs' Church after Mass on April 6.
- John and Lynne Yantha for donating towards our library in memory of Helen Parisien.
- Our MPP John Yakabuski for serving as our MC for our Trivia Night.
- Trivia Night markers from MVDHS Julia, Michelle, Hailey, and Katy, and Madame Ropego for overseeing the marking room.
- Trivia Night canteen helpers Tracy Glofcheskie, Kate Phanehour, Ava Beggs, and Louetta Reimer
- Mr. Olsheskie for setting up and to all who helped with clean up.
- Barry's Bay Metro, Pharmasave, Rainbow Rafts, Brian and Tracy Glofcheskie, Yuill's Valu-Mart, Combermere Home Hardware, Yantha Maple Syrup, and GVCS Staff who provided prizes for the Trivia evening
- The C.O. Country Market for donating \$500 to GVCS from their used book sales.

Congratulations

- To our students and staff who were amazing in reviewing Emergency Measures (fire, lockdown, earthquake, tornado) at our school. Well done everyone!

Community Information

- The **Game On** activity program is offered at GVCS every Tuesday after school from 3-6pm for students in Grades 3 to 8. Registration is on-going. For more information check out www.facebook.com/crcgameon/ or call Cheryl at 613 757 3108.
- **Game on! Free Summer Day** Camps: For more information contact The Community Resource Centre by phone at 613-757-3108 or visit the website at www.youth@crc-renfrewcounty.com. Pamphlets with information are also available at the school office.
- **Gigantic Yard Sale:** The Combermere & Area Recreation Committee along with the M.V. Friendship Club will be sponsoring a Gigantic Yard Sale on Saturday, May 19th, 2018. It will begin at 8:00 am until 4:00 pm across from the Combermere Community Hall on Farmer Road. Expect lots of bargains, high end items, delightful surprises, sweet treats, everything imaginable and more!
- St. John Bosco Parent Council presents "Safety in a Digital Age" May 10th at 6:30pm. To register please call 613 756 2616 or on line at <http://bit.ly/SJBtechnight>
- The RCMP Musical Ride is performing at the Beachburg Fairgrounds on June 2 at 5pm. The preshow starts at 4:30pm.

Did You Know?

-Indoor Tower Garden update: Seedlings were planted on a recent snow day. The garden is now located inside the main doors of the school.

This is what it might look like once our seedlings are transplanted and start growing bigger:



This experience is made possible through the Good EGG (Edible Grassroots Gardens) program and the Child Poverty Action Network (CPAN) of Renfrew County. We are very grateful for their support!

Looking Ahead...

- Tuesday, May 22 to Monday, June 4 EQAO Assessments Grades 3 and 6
- Sunday, June 3 First Communion 9am at Holy Canadian Martyrs
- Thursday, June 7 Provincial Election Day

- Thursday, June 7 Track and Field Meet in Killaloe
- Friday, June 8 PA Day "Reporting"
- Friday, June 15 3 Pitch Tournament Grades 6-8
- Friday, June 15 Grade 8 Graduation Dance hosted by our school
- Thursday, June 21 K-1 and Grades 2-5 trip to Ottawa
- Friday, June 22 Mass at 9am
- Tuesday, June 26 7pm Gr. 8 Graduation Mass and ceremony
- Thursday, June 28 Last day of school for students
- Friday, June 29 PA Day "Numeracy and Special Education"

Perhaps...

- You can continue to spread the news that registration for the 2018-19 School Year is on-going at GVCS. Knowing approximate student numbers now helps in planning for staffing and classes for the fall.
- You would like to help chaperone the Grade 8 Graduation dance being held at our school on Friday, June 15.

Action Items for Our Families

- We have had a number of soccer balls, gaga balls, and frisbees go over the fence into the river and float away. If you are out fishing or boating and see them stuck in the shoreline can you please return them. It is very expensive to replace equipment.

Thank you for your attention to this item. Together we're better!

Attachments

May 2018 calendar		
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Family Activity of the Month

EQAO starts this month for our students in Grade 3 (who write the Primary assessment) and Grade 6 (who write the Junior assessment). Samples of released questions and more information about EQAO can be found at www.eqao.com.

Here are some sample questions from previous years:

Math Grade 3 (2017)

Which numbers are missing from this pattern?

415, 410, 405, ____, ____, 390, 385

Language Grade 3 (2017)

Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- She wash her car.
- He help with the meal.
- I travel to Japan last year.
- We played soccer yesterday.

Math Grade 6 (2017)

Packages of flags are on sale for Canada Day at two stores.

- Store A is selling a package of 5 flags for \$6.95.
- Store B is selling a package of 3 flags for \$4.80.

How much cheaper is one flag at Store A than at Store B? Show your work.

Which value of b makes the equation $b \div 4 = b - 12$ true?

- 3
- 8
- 16
- 48

Language Grade 6 (2017)

Do you think using information technology in the classroom is a good thing? Write a detailed paragraph explaining your opinion.

Choose the sentence that does not belong in the following paragraph.

(1) The days that astronauts spend in orbit are carefully planned. (2) The 12-hour shift begins with a wake-up call. (3) Space stations are like large, complicated houses. (4) The crew members then have breakfast and review their jobs for the day. (5) Much of their time will be spent preparing and carrying out scientific experiments.

- sentence 2
- sentence 3
- sentence 4
- sentence 5