# **DCPIC Newsletter**





# Celebrating a Year of Joy

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

As our school year draws to a close, on behalf of the Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (DCPIC), I'd like to offer thanks and appreciation to all parents and guardians for the critical role you play in supporting Catholic education and student well-being and achievement.

The DCPIC has been committed to honouring parent voice in designing regional events, activities and supports that meet the needs of our school communities. This year, we were pleased to support the following key initiatives:

- Commissioning Mass & Orientation Session for Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Chairs and Principals;
- Series of Regional Math Cafés for Parents which were livestreamed and recorded for ongoing parental engagement;
- Promotion of the Board's Math@Home kits as a tool to support skill development and family engagement in math learning in the home;
- Annual Distinguished Catholic Volunteer Award Recognition; and
- The DCDSB's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Outdoor Mass & Family Picnic.

Through all of this outreach, we were blessed to meet many wonderful parents and guardians who care deeply about building the partnership between the home, school and parish. These experiences have truly been a source of joy and speak to the importance of the gift of Catholic education.

I wish you a peaceful and restful summer with your families!

Yours in Catholic Education,

Melissa Bevan Chair, Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee



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## **Meeting Dates**

Meetings are held at 650 Rossland Road West, Oshawa in the Board Room at 7:30 pm

> September 12, 2019 October 10, 2019 November 7, 2019 December 5, 2019 January 9, 2020 February 13, 2020 March 5, 2020 April 16, 2020 May 14, 2020 June 4, 2020

While children are definitely a particular gift for parents, they are also God's gift for our world." (Renewing the Promise, p. 16)



#### A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God this summer in whatever you do and wherever you go. May you talk to God this summer and every day and in every situation. Take time to have hope; you are a child of God.

## Summer Learning and Math@Home Kit

Summer is a great time to keep children engaged and learning. A number of great ideas on summer learning activities are available on the board's website at

https://www.dcdsb.ca/en/programs-services/Beat-Summer-Brain-Drain.aspx.



We also encourage parents to download DCDSB's **Math@Home Kit** available in English and French at:

- English: <u>https://www.dcdsb.ca/en/programs-services/resources/Numeracy/Math-At-Home-Final-February-2019.pdf</u>
- French: <u>https://www.dcdsb.ca/en/programs-services/resources/Numeracy/Math-At-Home-FRENCH-Nov-20.pdf</u>

The kit offers great games for families to play together while on vacation or sitting at a restaurant.

If you are looking for resources to help your child with Math, then check out our **Math Café for Parents** fourpart video series. The Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee together with DCDSB's Teaching and Learning Department teamed up this year to create a video series focused on Math. The sessions provide information on the Fundamentals of Math, Fractions, Spatial Reasoning and Problem Solving. Each video offers great tips to help parents support Math learning at home. Watch the videos at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXiPaQSmbihUdruQS770fFA/featured</u>.

## DCDSB's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic and Outdoor

The Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (DCPIC) was proud to sponsor the DCDSB's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic and Outdoor Mass on Sunday, June 2, 2019 at Lakeview Park, in Oshawa. The incredible day was filled with prayer, community, celebration, entertainment and laughter for all ages. Click here to view <u>highlights</u> of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic.



## Holy Family Parish - Mass in the Park

**PICNIC & BARBECUE** 

SUNDAY JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup> MASS TIME : 11:00AM PRINCLE CREEK PARK

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