



# Holy Family Catholic School

180 King St. South  
Alliston ON L9R 1B9

Phone: 705-435-3989 Fax: 705-435-1228



Mr. R. Samson, Principal

Mrs. R. Robert, Vice -Principal

Mrs. Smith, Office Administrator  
Mrs. Vanessa Davis, Assistant  
Office Administrator

## OCTOBER 2017



### THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen. (Courtesy of Catholic Online)



OURSTORY-OURJOURNEY

### 2017/2018 HOLY FAMILY STAFF

JK/SK	Mrs. Caulfield/ Ms. Hesketh
JK/SK	Mrs. Roberts/Mrs. Laciak
JK/SK	Mrs. Arthur/Mrs. Pascarella
Grade 1	Mrs. Snyder
Grade 1	Mrs. Baycroft
Grade 1/2	Mrs. Gardner
Grade 2	Mrs. Bruce
Grade 2/3	Mrs. LeClair
Grade 3	Mrs. Coates
Grade 3/4	Mrs. Daly
Grade 4	Mrs. Hardy
Grade 4/5	Mr. McKenna
Grade 5/6	Mrs. Jordan
Grade 6	Mrs. MacDonald
Grade 6	Mrs. Moore
Grade 7	Mrs. Alward
Grade 7	Mr. Orieux
Grade 8	Mr. Gimpel
Grade 8	TBD
FSL	Ms. St. Denis, Ms. Lesperance
Social Studies	Grade 1-6 Mrs. Thompson-Hicks

Health/Drama-JK-3/4 Ms. Lesperance  
 Health/Drama 4--8 -Mrs. Noble  
 FDK Literacy Prep/Reading Recovery Mrs. McCool  
 Special Education -Mrs. Charbonneau, Mrs. McCool,  
 Mrs. Robert, Mrs. Noble  
 Education Assistants-Mrs. O'Leary and Mrs.  
 Wainwright  
 Custodians-Mrs. Borg and Mr. Mercier  
 Office Administrator-Mrs. Smith  
 Assistant Office Administrator-Mrs. Davis  
 Vice Principal-Mrs. Robert  
 Principal-Mr. Samson

### LUNCH HOUR SUPERVISORS/VOLUNTEERS

Holy Family School is in need of Noon Hour Supervisors and volunteers. If you think you might be interested please contact Mrs. Robert. All volunteers or paid staff must have a Criminal Background Check, please contact the office for information.

### LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY LEAVES/INTERUPTIONS



Important, exciting, interesting and serious learning occurs at Holy Family. Staff try diligently to ensure that time is not wasted, and that all students are involved in all possible ways every moment of the day. Supervision on the schoolyard begins at 8:40 AM. Students are dismissed at 3:30 PM. Thank you for your cooperation.

If it is necessary for your child to leave school early for an appointment, or will not be taking the bus, please send a note indicating the change to the student's schedule. Please note: The office is very busy after 2:00 p.m. If a message is left on the answering machine we may not get it in time to make the change. Please try to talk to someone directly or send the note in the morning.

## NEED EXTRA HELP IN GRADE 7 OR 8 MATH?

Visit the Homework Help website for free help from Ontario certified teachers. On this site, students have access to live chat rooms between the hours of 5:30-9:30 from Sunday to Thursday and 24/7 resources such as videotaped lessons and interactive tutorials. Homework Help is ideal for understanding homework, reviewing lessons, studying for tests, and searching math topics. Register today at <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org/>. All you need to register is your student OEN number which is found on your report card. If you have additional questions, please contact your classroom teacher.

## Communicating with Children Using Math Language



### Talking About Math:

Talking about mathematics with your child - whatever his or her age - helps strengthen his or her mathematical reasoning and understanding. Some ways to keep the talk engaged and focused while you support your child include:

1. *Revoice* - Repeat what you heard your child say, then ask for clarification (e.g., "So you are saying it's an odd number?").
2. *Repeat/Restate* - Ask your child to restate your reasoning (e.g., "Can you repeat what I said in your own words?").
3. *Reason* - Ask your child to apply his or her own reasoning to someone else's reasoning (e.g., "Do you agree or disagree? Tell me why.").
4. *Adding On* - Prompt your child to participate further (e.g., "What more would you add to that?").
5. *Think Time* - Wait several seconds (try five) to give your child time to think (e.g., "Take some time to think."). You may be surprised by how hard it is to stay silent in that time!

## ONTARIO EARLY YEARS CENTRE

Are you home with little people and looking for something fun to do? Drop by the Ontario Early Years Centre in Alliston! The OEYC is a **free** service for all adults with children 0 to 6 years of age. Adults and children participate in activities together. Children have the opportunity to play with other children and participate in many different types of programs and activities, which promote early learning

and school readiness, and they are FUN for children and adults alike.

Do you have a child starting school in 2018? Participating in activities at the OEYC is a great way to help prepare your child for this exciting transition. OEYC staff have resources for kindergarten preparation. Just drop by and ask!

Check out our website, [www.e3.ca](http://www.e3.ca) or call 705 435-4308 for hours, directions and more information.

*Do you ever struggle with discipline and other parenting issues?* If so the Triple P Positive Parenting Program might be for you! Three seminars dealing with Positive Parenting, Raising Confident Competent Children and Raising Resilient Children will be offered at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Alliston, October 11, 18 and 25 at 7pm. Call 705-435-4308 for more information or to register.

## HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (HFCSCC)



On October 3, 2017, the Catholic School Community Council elections took place. Please see the 2017/2018 Holy Family Catholic School Community Council.

Krista Tomini, Chair  
Leanne Drummond, Secretary  
Paula Nogueira, Treasurer  
Tina Minicozzi, Parish/Community Rep  
Mrs. Arthur, Teaching Staff Representative  
Mrs. Robert, Vice-Principal  
Mr. Samson, Principal

Our next meeting will be held on November 7, 2017 at 6: 15pm in the library.

## HURRICANE UPDATE



The junior boys and girls will be participating in the South Simcoe Junior Soccer tournament on October 17, 2017. The boys tournament will be held in Beeton and the girls will play in Bradford. Good luck to both teams!

*Thank You*

I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Holy Family Catholic School Community Council for their work in organizing the Holy Family Open house on September 28,



