



HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
**ST. BRIGID CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
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## MARCH 2018

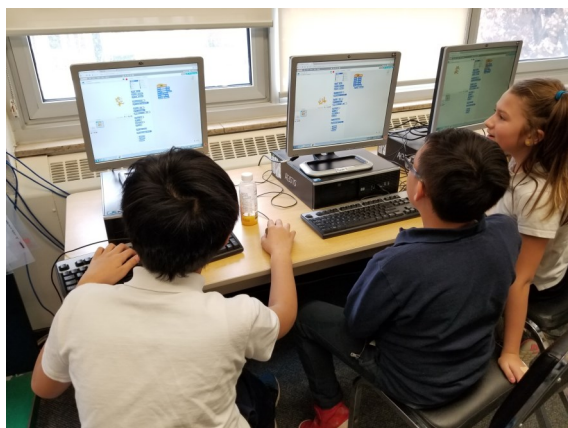
### THERE IS LOTS HAPPENING AT ST.BRIGID!



Thank you to all the volunteers who helped us on Shrove Tuesday to make pancakes for the entire school! We really enjoyed the yummy pancakes!



Thank you to all the students and staff who supported 'Wear Pink Day', we always work towards our motto of treating everyone with dignity, respect and love.



Many of our Grade 6 to 8 students are participating in the Hamilton Coding Club on Thursdays and learning how to program and code.



Some members of our student council on Wear Pink Day. Our student council does a great job of organizing our monthly assemblies and promoting their upcoming events.

Please visit our website for newsletter, school information and updates, calendar and much more.

St. Brigid Website: [www.stbi.hwcdsb.ca](http://www.stbi.hwcdsb.ca)

## BAG 2 SCHOOL ENDS MARCH 9

Help support our school fundraising efforts and help the environment by reducing landfill waste while promoting the 3 R's – Reduce, Re-use, Recycle – in our school. Families are welcome to donate CLEAN CLOTHING IN REASONABLE CONDITION including: shoes (tied together, please), belts, purses, handbags and other soft bags. **The final day to donate items is THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018.**

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As the newsletter is being created for the month of March, the sun is shining and the air is so warm, it truly feels like spring even though we are just about to begin March. It is hard to believe that we are more than half way through the school year. It continues to be a wonderful blessing to be a part of this great school community.

We are in the midst of Lent and during this season our Grade 2 students will be making their First Reconciliation, the first of two sacraments they will receive this year. It is so fitting that this sacrament takes place during the season of Lent. Thank you to our teachers, Father Jarek and parents who are preparing our students for this exciting time of their young lives.

In Pope Francis' 2018 Lenten address he stated: *"I urge the members of the Church to take up the Lenten journey with enthusiasm, sustained by almsgiving, fasting and prayer. If, at times, the flame of charity seems to die in our own hearts, know that this is never the case in the heart of God! He constantly gives us a chance to begin loving anew. One such moment of grace will be, again this year, the "24 Hours for the Lord" initiative, which invites the entire Church community to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation in the context of Eucharistic adoration. In 2018, inspired by the words of Psalm 130:4, "With you is forgiveness", this will take place from Friday, 9 March to Saturday, 10 March. In each diocese, at least one church will remain open for twenty-four consecutive hours, offering an opportunity for both Eucharistic adoration and sacramental confession."* We are all encouraged to take part in the sacrament of Reconciliation: to create a deeper connection to God and our faith.

Wishing you and your family a faith filled Lent & a wonderful March Break!

Mrs. A. Coletto

## MARCH BREAK

A reminder that there is no school between March 12-16 for March Break.

PA DAY: Friday, March 2 (no school for students)

GOOD FRIDAY: Friday, March 30 (no school)

EASTER MONDAY: Monday, April 2 (no school)

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

**BEING ON TIME:** School begins at 8:45 a.m., if you arrive after this time you must come to the office for a late slip.

**ENTERING THE BUILDING:** Parents are reminded to come directly to the office to check in and not to enter classrooms or to walk students to classrooms. We want students to develop their independence and part of that is being able to handle their jackets, backpacks etc., on their own.

**DROPPING OFF LUNCHES:** if you are bringing lunch for your child please come to the office to drop it off. Mrs. Palmeri will provide you with a label for the lunch and your child will be called up at nutrition break to pick it up. We do not want to disrupt instructional time for lunches so we will page once the break begins.

### DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH ST. BRIGID SCHOOL WILL BE CELEBRATING THE FOLLOWING DRESS DOWN DAYS:

Friday, March 9 : Wear Green Day for St. Patrick's Day

Thursday, March 29: Sweater Day (turn down the heat day)

## GRASSROOTS SOCCER HAMILTON



Our school has been offered a wonderful opportunity to participate in the **Grassroots Soccer Hamilton** Program, **"FREE OF CHARGE"**, this summer. It is open to students who live in Ward 2 or Ward 3. St. Brigid School is located in Ward 3. Students born between 2006 and 2013 are eligible. This means students from JK (Kindergarten Year One) to Grade 6, are able to join. Included in your **FREE registration** is a shirt, shorts, socks and a backpack. Also at the end of the season players will also receive a free soccer ball. Permission forms will be sent home very soon. Please send back completed forms to school as soon as you can, and return them to Mr. Clinton. It is on a first come, first served basis. We would like all of our children to be able to participate. Thank you.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL (CSC)

Our next council meeting will take place on  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 17 @ 5:00 pm.**  
Parents are encouraged to join us!



# GOOD LUCK TO OUR SCIENCE FAIR TEAM



On Saturday, March 3—6 students will be representing our school at the HWCDSB Annual Science Fair at Bishop Ryan CSS. We wish our students all the best!

## CONGRATULATIONS!

STUDENT OF THE MONTH AWARDS

FEBRUARY 2018

TEACHER	CHRISTIAN EXAMPLE	EXCELLENCE	ENTHUSIASM
Miss. Greene & Mrs. Kondo	Saidy R.M.	Emily W.	Caiden A.L.
Mrs. Stevens & Mrs. Cosoleto	Jacob T	Cailyn S	Emily P
Ms. Kinsella	Gianna S.	Preston J.	Damian P.
Mr. Ciapanna	Diego G.	Aubrey W.	Jesse S.
Miss. Levert	Micaela S.	Malikai W.	Nathan C.
Mrs. Venneri	Marcus V.	Michayla L.	Jasper R.
Miss. Tersigni	Maya D.	Damien B.	Alyssa I.
Miss. Presta	Brayden. D	Xavier E.	Matthew M.
Mrs. Aird	Shauna B.	Daniel C.	Vanessa M.
Mr. Paladino	Andrew R.	Veronica S.	Jaden L.
Mrs. Labatt	Liana V.	Emily S.	River H.
Miss. Susi	Trent H.	Ricklyn G.	Paul S.
Mme Ceridonio	Andrew R.	Kevin N.	Kimberly C.
Mr. Clinton	Sofia M.	Griffin G.	Frida H.
Mr. <u>Stechey</u>	Lorain A.	Layla C.	Marcus B.

### **FEBRUARY ACE AWARD WINNERS**

PRIMARY: Mykenna for working hard throughout the day

JUNIOR: Ralph C. for his participating in the class challenge

INTERMEDIATE: Harley M. for helping to clean up the classroom



# Eva Rothwell Centre

460 Wentworth Street North  
Hamilton, Ontario  
905-526-1558

## **MARCH BREAK CAMP**

March 12- 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Ages: 5 to 12 years old

9:00am to 4:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 per child

Early and Late Care Available (8:00am-5:30pm for an additional \$5.00/child)

Limited Spaces Available, Register today

Visit our website for Registration Forms – [www.evarothwell.ca](http://www.evarothwell.ca) or pick up the forms at the Centre

## **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

### **DROP IN PROGRAMS**

Monday to Friday

3:00-6:00pm

5-17 years

No Charge, Free

Activities: Games room, Creative Crafts, After school Snack,  
Be Active in the Gym, Music, Computers, Literacy Express Train, Breakfast program, and much more...

Registration: Sign up for free

## **P.A. CAMP – Begin the Adventure and Learning...**

Various days in March to June 2018

Public and Catholic School Boards

Grades 1 to 8

9:00-4:00pm / \$5.00/per child/per PA DAY

Early and Late drop off/pick up Available for an  
additional \$5.00/child/week - (8:00-5:30pm)

Register today, Limited Spaces

Visit our website for Registration Forms – [www.evarothwell.ca](http://www.evarothwell.ca) or pick up the forms at the Centre

## **Bug Busters**

The City of Hamilton, Public Health Department will be running clinics to screen and offer parents to help and assistance in treating head lice.

Clinics are every Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00pm at the Eva Rothwell Centre.

# March 2018

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat



1  
Gr 2  
enrollment  
ceremony  
Gr6-8 Rising

2  
PA DAY

3  
HWCD SB  
Science Fair

4

5

6  
School  
Confessions

7  
FDK to Gr 8  
Fire Safety  
Presentations

8

9  
Bag2School  
Fundraiser  
Ends

10

11

Turn clocks  
ahead 1 hour

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13

MARCH BREAK

14

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16

17

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19

20  
6:30 pm  
First  
Reconcilia-  
tion

21

22  
TRIP: Gr 5 to  
Camp  
Marydale

23  
TRIP: Gr 1 &  
2 to Art  
Gallery

24

25

Palm Sunday

26

TRIP: Susi's  
class to  
Cathedral

27

HWCD SB  
Chess  
Tournament

28

29

Holy Thursday  
  
Sweater Day

30

Good Friday  
(no school)

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