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Principal: Ms. Lisa Kuyper Vice Principal: Mr. Lucus Boluk Secretary: Mrs. Joanne Allen, Mrs. Yolanda Okonski

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear Families,

Progress reports will be coming home on Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. This is an excellent time to sit down with your child and discuss what is going well and what possible goals can be set for the next few months before the first term reports come home in January. Additionally, please ensure that you have used our new online system to register for an interview time with your child's teacher for either Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> in the evening or Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> in the daytime to discuss your child's progress with the teacher. If you can't make either of these days work, please ensure you contact the teacher to book a mutually agreeable appointment. Together we can ensure a successful year for your child.

Please continue to check our school calendar to keep apprised of important dates coming up. We would like to have our families involved. Please note our upcoming school council meeting at 6pm on Monday November 5<sup>th</sup> and our system wide council meeting on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. We are always looking for people to get involved in events for our students. At this time, I would also like to thank our council members and parent volunteers for the wonderful event that took place in October. Our Family Math Night was a huge success! Thank you to all the families who joined us for pizza and games! It was a great turnout and the night could not have taken place without the help of our parent community! Thank you for choosing Catholic Education!

God Bless,

Lisa Kuyper



## Student Absenteeism

At this time, if students are away and the school is not notified, you will still receive an automated call informing you of the absence. If the message is not confirmed as received, cascading calls are made to the next parent and then emergency contacts. To alleviate this and the number of calls received, parents are asked to please notify the school by 8:45 a.m. if their child is going to be away or late for any reason. You may also leave a message on our voice mail (ext 200) at any time of the day. It is available 24/7 at 519-752-4111. Parents are also asked to notify the school office as well as classroom teachers of prolonged absences such as illness or vacation.

We apologize that the *School Messenger-Safe Arrival* attendance reporting system is not functioning as planned & appreciate your patience and understanding while we work on identifying a replacement solution.



## REMINDER: FOOD ALLERGIES

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated once again in making our school a safe environment for all our students. **This is to advise you that we have we have students who are allergic to all tree nuts, eggs, peanuts, kiwi, mango, coconut, sesame seeds.** It is requested that parents of all students do not pack any foods or send food items containing any of these. If your child has anaphylaxis and you have not yet made us aware of this, please contact us immediately. Our schools have been directed by senior administration to not allow the product known as 'WowButter' into our classrooms. Children who have an anaphylactic allergy to nut products could easily be confused by which product is which, and this could cause a great deal of anxiety and confusion for both staff and students. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

# IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 1.....	Pizza Day	Nov. 22.....	East Side Mario Day
Nov 5.....	School Council Meeting, 6 pm	Nov. 22.....	Safety Village-10am-12noon .....Gr. IB (Farrish), Gr. 2A (Restelli)
Nov 5 & 6 .....	Dental Screening-JK, SK, Gr.2	Nov. 22.....	Safety Village– 12:30-2 pm .....Gr. 1C (Paswisty), Gr. 2B (Thompson)
Nov. 8.....	Subway Day	Nov 23.....	Safety Village– 10am-12noon .....Gr. 1A (Petrella), Gr. 2/3(Howard)
Nov. 9.....	Progress Reports Home	Nov 28.....	School Council Meeting, 6 pm
Nov. 9.....	Remembrance Day Celebration	Nov. 29.....	Pizza Day
Nov. 14.....	Grade 8 visit to ACS	Nov. 30	Paraliturgy and Assembly 9-10:30 am (Gym) Everyone is Welcome
Nov. 15.....	Pizza Day		
Nov. 15-16.....	Parent/Teacher Interviews .....4:30—8:00 pm		
Nov. 16.....	-PA Day— <u>No School</u>		

**\*\*Hot lunches/Milk/Popcorn for December can be purchased on-line from November 12 to November 27, 2018\*\***



## BRANT COUNTY HEALTH UNIT DENTAL SERVICES



Will be here doing dental screenings on:  
**November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**

## Milk Bags

The CWL at St. Basil Church is collecting clean outer bags to make plastic sleeping mats for Canadian Food for Children. Please bring your milk bags to school & place the bags in the box in the front display area..



### Pups for Christ

Thank you to all families who so generously donated to our 'We Scare Hunger' campaign. All items received have been donated to St. Vincent de Paul.



### Christmas Concert

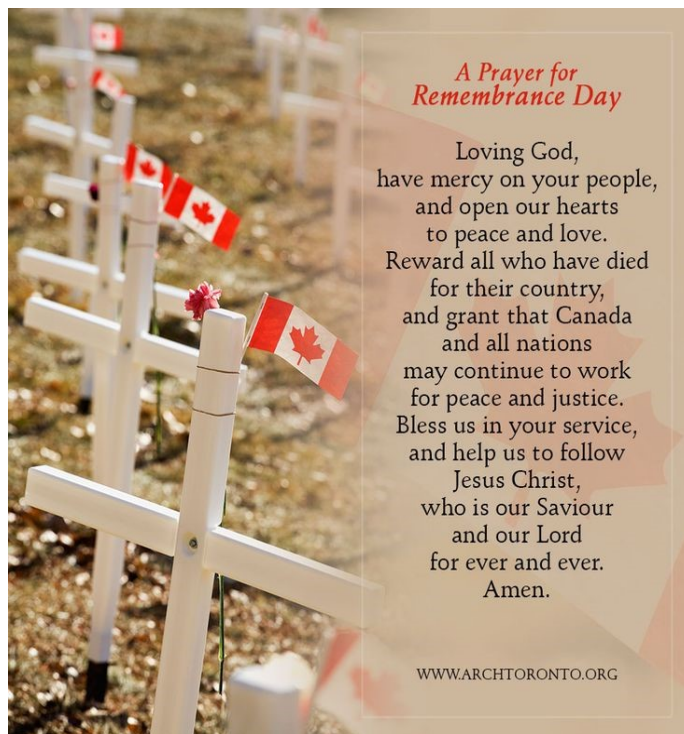
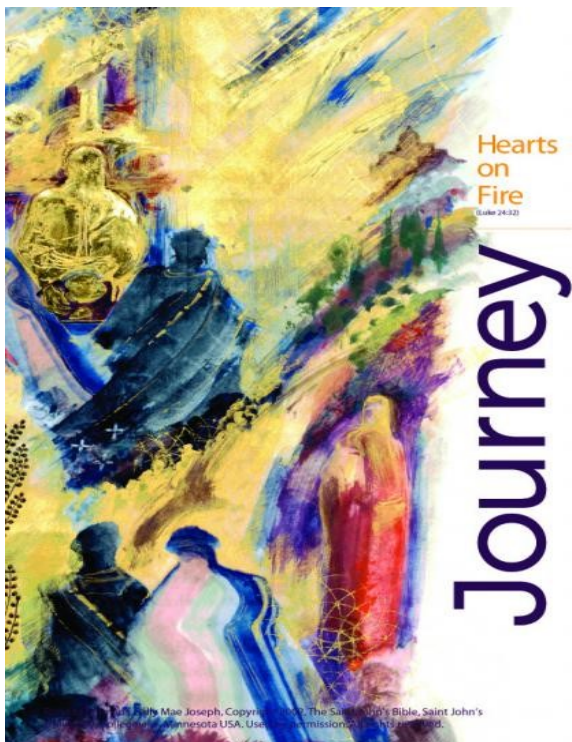
Grades JK to 4 ONLY!!

**December 18, 2018 at 6 pm**



Lost & Found is located in the gym hall. Please take a look when you are here at Parent Teacher Interviews to see if your child (ren) has misplaced any articles. We will be sending all items to St. Vincent de Paul by the end of November.

Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere. ~ Chinese Proverb ~



*A Prayer for Remembrance Day*

Loving God,  
 have mercy on your people,  
 and open our hearts  
 to peace and love.  
 Reward all who have died  
 for their country,  
 and grant that Canada  
 and all nations  
 may continue to work  
 for peace and justice.  
 Bless us in your service,  
 and help us to follow  
 Jesus Christ,  
 who is our Saviour  
 and our Lord  
 for ever and ever.  
 Amen.

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**St. Basil Parish**

50 Palace St., Brantford, ON N3T 3W9  
 519-752-0361 saintbasil@rogers.com

**Weekend Masses:**

**Saturday 5 pm**  
**Sunday 9:30 am and 11:30 am**

The Children's Liturgy Program is underway again this year during the 9:30 am Mass. Children, ages 4-8, are invited to participate in this weekly program that focuses on the Sunday readings and teaches foundational catechism. This is a great opportunity for children to get together, ask questions and share their ideas on how we can all live the Gospel. This class also serves as a supplement for any sacrament preparation that children are receiving at home and school. Please encourage your children to try us out!

**First Reconciliation and First Communion**

**First Communion Parent Meeting**—Wednesday, November 7 at 7 pm

**Confirmation Parent Meeting**—Wednesday November 21 at 7 pm

Confirmation



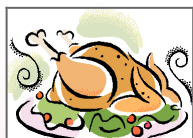
First Holy Communion



# Altar Servers

**Your Child Will Learn Responsibility, Self-Discipline, Communication And More.**

Please encourage, and request, that your child become an altar server. You may think they are too restless to sit for a period of time at Mass but learning from experience the opposite is true. They will learn to respect their responsibilities at Mass, and want to be their best. They follow the example of others on the altar and their fellow companions fulfilling shared expectations. Camaraderie and fraternity are nurtured as they work as a team performing important duties. Being on the altar automatically commands respect not only being so close to the actions of the priest but also being in front of the congregation. So much more to experience! Please contact our new pastor at St Basil Church, Fr Paul, who would love to hear from you and give all the information you may be looking for. **Please contact Fr Paul at the following Rev. Paul Hrynczyszyn, (519) 752-0361, frpaulhotmail.com or speak to Noreen in the office at the same phone number.**



## Christmas Lunch Celebration

We are in the process of planning our annual Christmas Lunch celebration which is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, December 20, 2018. Together as a school community, the students will be enjoying a delicious turkey lunch. Orders will be available online early November (cost to be determined). If students do not wish to order, they will still bring their lunches to the gym and join the entire school as they celebrate the season together.

### **Christmas Holidays:**

**For those of you planning ahead: Please be advised that this year Christmas Holidays begin on Saturday, December 22, 2018 and end on Sunday, January 6, 2019 with children returning to school on Monday January 7, 2019.**

Visit Our  
Website

## Communication is Key

Working together is the key to success for our students. To that end, we would like to make an effort to make sure that all communication is timely and relevant. In order to accomplish this we will be updating our school website and calendar on a regular basis. All newsletters and dates of important events will be posted and updated. This is also where you can access School Cash Online which is the preferred method of payment for everything from hot lunches to school trips. Additionally, it will be linked to our twitter feed where we will be posting pictures and information from classroom and school events and also keep you up to date with valuable information. Stay informed and receive all the information you need by visiting <http://www.stbasilbrantford.ca/events-calendar> following us on twitter @stbasilbulldogs. Sign up for notifications to have the information come directly to you!

## SchoolCashOnline

Pay School Fees Online

**Credit Card COMING SOON**

Pay for trips, athletic fees, and yearbooks with School Cash Online

Fast

Simple

Secure

Register at: <https://bhncdsb.schoolcashionline.com>

## INDOOR/OUTDOOR SHOES



Please be sure your child has an extra pair of shoes for wearing indoors at school only. These do not need to be expensive because they will only be worn indoors! We ask that all students, Kindergarten to Grade 8 follow this policy, to help make our school an attractive place to work. Outdoor shoes (or boots in bad weather) will be left at the coat hooks, and indoor shoes will be left in the classroom. Since all students need running shoes for gym, we suggest indoor shoes be running shoes.



Parents should check their spam/junk folder for School Cash Online emails, and make sure to add "noreply@schoolcash.net" to their safe senders and/or contacts list in order to ensure that our emails land in your general inbox.





Continuing Education Services  
Be...belong...become!

# International Languages Elementary St. Mary Catholic Learning Centre

Beginning the week of October 1/2018 until the week May 16/2019

*\* Please note, Tentative Schedule below – Classes are based on sufficient enrollment.*

**\*\* Days, Times and Languages available are subject to change.**

Join any time! On-going enrollment throughout the year.

**St. Mary Catholic Learning Centre, 455 Colborne Street, Brantford, ON N3S 3N8**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4:30 – 6:30	4:30 – 6:30	4:30 – 6:30	4:30 – 6:30	6:30 – 8:30	9:00 – 11:30
Polish St. Mary Brantford	Spanish St. Mary Brantford	Italian St. Mary Brantford	Mandarin St. Joseph's Norfolk	Tagalog St. Gabriel's Brantford	Mandarin St. Mary Brantford
4:30 – 6:30	6:00– 8:00				9:00 – 11:30
Portuguese St. Mary Brantford	Mandarin Ad- vanced St. Mary Brantford				Tagalog St. Joseph's Norfolk

**For more information, please contact Site Supervisor Anna Henrique**

**AHENRIQUE@BHNCDSEB.CA T: 519-756-6505, Ext. 400**

**All students from JK – Gr 8 at any language level are more than welcome to join at any time!**

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**FREE Triple P Seminar For all Parents of Children age 0-12**  
**The Power of Positive Parenting**

Learning tips on how to make parenting more enjoyable and rewarding

**Brantford Boys & Girls Club**

**November 13, 2018 at 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm**

**2 Edge St, Brantford, ON**

**Refreshments and snacks will be provided**

To register please go to <https://www.triplep-parenting.ca/ont-en/find-help/find-a-session/> and select Seminar #1 The Power of Positive Parenting at Boys & Girls Club of Brantford.

[www.triplep.net](http://www.triplep.net)