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JUNE 30 Clemens Mill temporarily closes. JULY - AUGUST Facility renovations.

SEPTEMBER 4
Clemens Mill RE-OPENS!

CLEMENS MILL (CM) SUMMER BORROWING

Extended Loans: Items borrowed from CM as of Saturday, June 9 are due back to CM on September 16, 2018. New DVDs, Video Games, and Rapid Reads are due back by their regular date, to any other location.

Hold Pickup: Hespeler is the default hold pickup location, unless an alternative location has been requested.

Returns: During renovations, CM items can be returned to any location except CM.

Questions? Call 519.621.0460

This summer, we invite you to enjoy the Clemens Mill outdoor park and discover other Idea Exchange locations in Cambridge:

Queen's Square 1 North Square, 519.621.0460 Preston 435 King Street East, 519.653.3632 Hespeler 5 Tannery Street, 519.658.4412

Old Post Office (Opening in July) 12 Water Street South, 226.533.2767

ideaexchange.org/clemensmillupdates

Celebrating Catholic Education Week

By Mrs. M. Rocha

To highlight and CELEBRATE Catholic Education week, a group of talented and dedicated students from Mrs. Rocha's and Mrs. Trentini's classes worked together to produce some really cool stuff to remind our community of how lucky we all are to learn and work here! The students created: Beautiful Banners! Awesome Artwork! Magnificent Mats! Creative Crosses! Terrific Treats! (for our lovely staff) Check out the pics of the students pouring their hearts into their work:)









Final Exam Schedule

click here

Catholic Student Trustees for 2018-2019

By WCDSB Newswire

Recently the Waterloo Catholic District School Board Student Senate gathered at the Catholic Education Centre with the SAC Directors from our five Catholic Secondary Schools. Student Trustee elections were held for the 2018-2019 school year.

Congratulations are extended to the following two successful candidates:

Meghan Nemeth, a Grade 11 student at St. Benedict Catholic Secondary School, has been elected and will return for a second term as Catholic Student Trustee.

Izabella Tyc, a Grade 11 student at Resurrection Catholic Secondary School, has been elected as our second Catholic School Trustee.

A special thank you to all seven candidates who put their names forward for a Catholic Student Trustee position. It was a difficult decision for our school co-presidents to make given the outstanding quality of the candidates. Additionally, warm thanks for our five SAC Directors who support our student leaders through the student trustee election process.

Administrative

News from Guidance

By Mrs. L. O'Neill

Summer School

There are several options available this summer for students who wish to attend summer school. Our board will be offering a selection of New Credit Courses through St. Louis is Kitchener. These courses will run from July 3 – July 26 (final exam July 27), from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM, Monday to Friday. All classes will run at St. Louis is Kitchener, with the exception of Career Studies and Civics which will only available on-line. While transportation is not required, teachers will distribute 2 bus tickets at the end of each school day, to students who require transportation. These bus tickets will allow students use of the GRT transit system. Summer school will be available this summer for St. Benedict students through the Waterloo Region District School Board, our coterminous board. Make-up Credit Courses will be offered at Jacob Hespeler Secondary School in Cambridge and Huron Heights Secondary School in Kitchener. A selected number of New Credit Courses will be offered at Jacob Hespeler Secondary School in Cambridge, Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary School in Waterloo and Huron Heights Secondary School in Kitchener. Classes will run from July 3 – July 27. Make-up courses are 3 hours in length, either morning or afternoon, while new credit courses are 6 hours in length, not including a 30-minute nutrition break. Students can register for a maximum of 2 make up credits or one new credit course. There will also be a limited number of Online Blended Courses offered at all locations this summer as well. More information regarding summer school course offerings and registration is available in the guidance office. The registration deadline for New Credit, On-line Blended, and Locally Developed courses is Tuesday June 26. Students planning to take an On-line Blended course must be registered by Thursday June 21st. Transportation is provided for students who take summer school courses through the public board – a bus schedule will be available to students in June. Please see the guidance office for more information regarding summer school.

Grade 12 Reminders

1. While most Grade 12 students have likely completed their required 40 hours of Community Service, there are many students who have not yet handed their documentation of this into the main office. Please remind your sons and daughters to take care of this important detail as soon as possible. This is a necessary requirement for all graduates and students who do not complete this requirement in a timely manner risk losing their graduation status, as well as conditional offers that they may have already received from post-secondary institutions.

2. Invitations to the June 27, 2018 Graduation ceremony were mailed last week and should be arriving to your home shortly. Please note the RSVP date of June 8. Any families who would like to request more than the allotted 4 tickets, should contact Mrs. O'Connor in the guidance office with \$5 for each additional ticket.

Grade 12 Post-Secondary Information Update

- 1. Students can expect to hear an admission response to all university programs that they applied to by May 29th. Students interested in accepting an offer of admission should do so by June 1, 2018.
- 2. If you applied to an Ontario University and you do not receive an offer of admission, please know that from June 6 August 26, you are eligible to apply to any university program that still has known vacancies. You must have completed the necessary OSSD requirements, including six 4U/M classes by early September 2018 to be eligible. To find out more, call 519-823-1063 or check out www.ouac.on.ca/ais
- 3. Students who did not apply to college, or students who applied and did not get an offer to a program of their choice, are welcome to apply on-line for September 2018 to any program that is still accepting applications. See www.ontariocolleges.ca for more information.

The Caribbean Canadian Association of Waterloo Region – Scholarship Program.

www.ccawr.ca.

Scholarships are available on their website. Must be a Canadian citizen, a resident of Waterloo region, Caribbean heritage.

Summer Employment Opportunity

Grand River Conservation Authority is looking to hire an energetic and friendly gate attendant to be part of the team at Shade's Mills. 40 hours per week in the summer. Possible weekend work in the fall. Please see Guidance for application information.

Community Service Hours

It is a requirement of graduation that each student complete 40 hours of community service. There are many opportunities to fulfill this requirement. If you have already registered for Hour Republic check out the guidelines on the website www.hourrepublic.com. This website can also be used to track your hours and see volunteer opportunities.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Please visit the United Way of Cambridge volunteer centre for current opportunities: www.uwcambridge.on.ca

The **South-West Regional Soccer Association** is looking for volunteers for a number of soccer tournaments and festivals throughout the summer. If interested contact Brett Holmies, League Administrator at 519-894-5965 or email the league@swrsa.ca

Wilfrid Laurier University's Faculty of Education's LEAP (Laurier Enriched Academic Porgram) is seeking volunteers aged 15 and older to participate in their Summer 2018 Enrichment Day Camps. The camps run from July 9-13 and July 16-20. Deadline to apply is June 8, 2018. For more information please contact Andrea Swinson aswinson@wlu.ca

Great Big Theatre Company

Great Big Theatre Company is welcoming again this summer 2018, Secondary School Co-op students as well as Student Volunteers who would like to earn their community service hours by joining our Summer Drama Camp staff.

We are a federally registered non-profit charity (1994). Our Drama camps for youth ages 3-14 years, operate throughout the summer months, July & August.

Our school volunteers have assisted us greatly in the past in implementing our camp programs and we look forward to working together again this summer 2017 with many new and returning students.

Co-op Students and student Volunteers can register online with Great Big Theatre Company at: www.gbtc.com / Theatre Day Camp / Volunteer

The Cambridge Rotary Ribfest 2018

Ribfest will be held August 10-12 at Riverside Park. Please register online and include St. Benedict in your registration. www.cambridgeribfest.com/voluInteers/

They are looking for about 300 volunteers over the weekend. If you have questions please email volunteer@cambridgeribfest.com

Important Grad information

By Mrs. N. Offak

On Friday, May 4, the graduation invitations were mailed out to the home address of all students registered to attend the graduation ceremony being held on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium Complex. Along with the invitation, the envelope includes a letter outlining important information, a reply card with a stamped return envelope and four tickets for friends/family to attend. It is very important that the reply card gets returned to the Guidance department in order to confirm the attendance of each graduate - this can be mailed or directly delivered to the Guidance department. Additional tickets can be purchased in the Guidance department at a cost of \$5 each, and will be available on a first come first served basis while quantities last.

For more information or questions, please feel free to email Nada.Offak@wcdsb.ca or call 519-621-4050 ext. 3089.

Graduation! Save the Date!

This year, St. Benedict Catholic Secondary School will be celebrating Graduation with a ceremony on **Wednesday**, **June 27**, **2018**. The ceremony will be held at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium Complex, in the Dom Cardillo Arena, and will begin at 7pm. In May, invitations will be sent home with four tickets for family members to attend. Additional tickets will be available for \$5 each on a first come, first served basis while quantities last. We look forward to celebrating this important milestone in the lives of our students, as it will be one of their last memories of their time here at St. Benedict!



College or University Financial Assistance

Financial help for students attending university and college in 2018-19

Is your child making plans to attend college or university next fall? Visit Ontario.ca/OSAP to see what financial aid is available to help pay for tuition and other expenses. Apply early and use the OSAP comparison tool to help your child make the best choice for their future.

Find out more and apply at Ontario.ca/OSAP

Chaplain's Corner

By Mr. B. Rempel

Finally, we are experiencing spring that reflects the Easter season. The Easter season extends for 50 days after Easter Sunday. Last Wednesday we celebrated our school's Easter Mass as part of Catholic Education Week. Local elementary principals, Tammy Sika and Robert Purificato, participated in the readings with us. We read, we sang, we prayed and we communed with Jesus, led by Father Toby Collins. On Thursday the St. Benedict family of schools school councils met to celebrate mass. Mass during Catholic Education week is a timely reminder of what grounds Catholic Education. Communing with Jesus reminds us that we are loved, and we are called to love.

High Skills update

By Mrs. M. Crowell



Congratulations to the SHSM students who have completed all of their requirements and will graduate with their Specialist High Skills Major Red Seal designation!!!

These students will be well prepared moving forward and will have earned at least 7 industry standard certifications.

Interested in learning more about SHSM? Check out highskills.ca and see Mrs. Crowell in coop or your guidance counselor to register for this grade 11 and 12 program.

Thank you Employers!

As the semester is winding down the Cooperative Education department would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the employers in our community who continue to provide our students with rich hands on learning experiences and a supported introduction into the world of work. We couldn't do it without them!

Students fail to make connections on Phone-Free

Day

By Mr. J. Curtis

When our Student Activities Council (SAC) wanted to help students reduce their stress levels during Mental Health Week, they had no idea that one initiative would actually *create stress* in many students: Phone-Free Friday.

After reading about the 33% rise in anxiety and depression among teenagers attributed to smartphone usage, SAC thought a day without their "electronic oxygen" would help students understand the negative consequences of smartphones. At the very least, SAC was hoping that students who didn't—or couldn't physically—participate in the one-day activity would think about how their smartphones have become an addiction.



Most teachers applauded our efforts, but felt that many students are too far gone to make a change at this point in their life. "I thought that the initiative was brilliant," said Math teacher Ms Gill. "Even though my hard-core screenagers ignored it." Teachers reported that, although students might admit they couldn't live without their phones even for one 75-minute period, teenagers just don't know what to do about it. "I think for some kids it makes them think about how dependent they are," commented Business and Religion teacher Mr. Milardovic. "They just don't want to (or know how to) deal with it." History and Law teacher Mr. Martinello witnessed the ironic side of the initiative. "Some (students) were on their phones as I was addressing the issue of addiction."

"In my role as a guidance counsellor, I have seen a rise in anxiety and depression since the evolution of smartphones," commented Ms O'Toole. "This is a great initiative to raise awareness of the addictive nature of cell phones."



While the majority of students struggled to put away their smartphones, many teachers acknowledged that they had interesting discussions that day. "(My students and I) talked about everything from experiences with depression, bullying, cyber-bullying, as well as trying to live life as a teen today," said English teacher Ms Varriano Lane. "It was fantastic and really eye-opening for me, as I learned a lot that I can apply to my own teenaged children."

Despite the negative backlash from addicted teenagers at the school, there is still hope. Science teacher Ms O'Brien noticed a difference between her senior classes and her junior classes. "My Grade 9's had an easier time putting away their phones. They are starting to understand that they don't want AI to control their brains. They want to control their devices, not the other way around."

Hopefully, with initiatives such as Phone-Free Friday, our students will start to make the connection about how addictive smartphones can be and understand how the technology has rewired their brains. It's a call to action for our students that we hope will not go unanswered.

St. Benedict Walks for Water

By Ms. Varriano Lane

The staff and students at St. Benedict CSS have always been passionate about social justice and recognize that clean water is a basic human right that millions in our world do not have (easy) access to.

Knowing that \$25 will provide one person with clean water for life, our goal was to join in the first-annual WE Walk for Water initiative and raise \$2500 in order to change the lives of 100 people in WE Villages in developing countries. However, in Bennies fashion, we exceeded our goal and raised \$3752 and changed the lives of 150 people!

So on Friday, April 27th, all participants walked 5km around the track in solidarity with those who have to walk many kilometres every day to collect water. We did this because providing this basic human right will allow girls (usually responsible for the collection of water) to attend school, parents to run sustainable farms and families to avoid contracting waterborne illnesses.

We are sincerely thankful for all of those in our Bennies community whose participation and generosity made this possible. #BENNIESWalksForWater



Cambridge Therapy Dog Visit Library

Students are invited to drop by the library and pay a visit to Cambridge Therapy dogs who will be visiting the library for the months of May and June:

May 16 Janette and Scarlett

May 22 Nathalie and Suki

June 5 Nathalie and Suki

June 19 Nathalie and Suki

Support Catholic Education



The number of Catholic ratepayers in Waterloo Region has fallen in the last number of years to below 100,000. This has happened at the same time Waterloo Region's population has grown significantly. To help counter this downward trend, in conjunction with our annual Kindergarten sign-up campaign, we are also launching a campaign to increase the number of "official" Catholic school supporters in Waterloo Region.

Learn More Here

Academic

Enriching the Lives of Students

By Mrs. D. Wittmann

There many opportunities for students to enhance their learning experience: Enrichment courses, LEAP, OYAP, UCEP, Co-op, Home Build, SHSM, and Skills Canada. Visit the Enrichment blog for information on all these opportunities. The Blogroll contains a plethora of learning enhancements. To learn more about what we offer, click on Enrichment@St.Benedict.

English Corner

By Mrs. D. Wittmann

To receive an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) each student must obtain four credits in English (one credit per grade). Visit the English blog to read the course offerings provided by the Saint Benedict English Department. The Blogroll has great resources for both students and parents. Enjoy! English@St.Benedict blog.

Advanced Placement (AP) Blog

By Mrs. D. Wittmann

You'll see the benefits of taking an AP class right away. In AP classes, just like in university, you'll face new challenges and learn new skills in the subjects you care about. All with the support of your classmates and teachers. Visit the <u>Advanced Placement blog</u>.

Suubi dance troup visits St. Benedicts

By Ms. R. O'Brien

On Thursday May 2, 2018 the Suubi Fusion Troupe from Cambridge Secondary School in Uganda. This talented team of 8 traveled throughout North America to share culture, music and movements. Suubi means hope.

Dance, Drama, Music, and Guitar classes all joined on the stage to learn to sing accompanied by traditional stringed instruments such as the adungu played by student Mubarack. St. Benedict's students learned to sing traditional call and response songs with lyrics: "Elaijoka (look here), Elaijoka (look here), Essomero (school), Apeite chute (is good)... yoga; yoga, yoga, yoga; joka naijo, apeite chuti". "Yoga" is what you say as congratulations to every school graduate! Yoga graduates!

The Suubi Fusion Dance Troupe then demonstrated a high energy, high cardio dance that celebrates coming of age for 18 year old boys who compete for the affections of the young village girls.

All dance are accompanied by African drums called jembai. Drums are used to call everyone to celebrate whether it is for the arrival or coronation of a king, the birth of a child, an introduction [engagement party], wedding or funeral. Drums are the heartbeat of African society. It is the sound of the drums that imitates the heartbeat of their culture and their eternal hope of a life well-lived!

Saints stylist savours successful silver at Skills

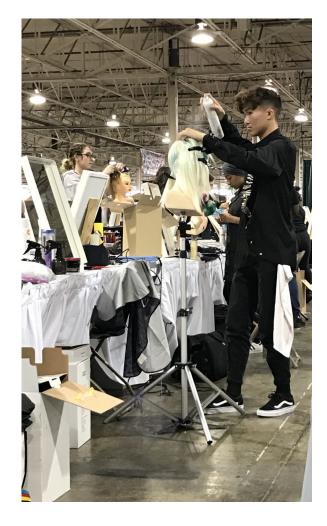
St. Benedict student Andy Le put on an impressive performance and showed his hair styling talent to take the second place silver at the Provincial Skills Competition!

Andy has spent endless hours preparing for this competition and I couldn't be more proud of his accomplishment!! His passion, focus and insane talent never ceases to amaze me!! He was up against the three-time Gold medal winner from previous years--well done Andy, and congratulations!

Other students who participated at the Provincial Skills Ontario Competition in Toronto were Sara Sheikh, Laura Pietroiusti, and Jack Ceccomancini.

Also a special thank you to all of our staff members who have been mentoring these students a long their journey. Job well done Saints!

Andy Le colouring and styling hair at Skills Ontario



Class Trip to St. Mary of the Visitation

By Mrs. M. Rocha

Today, twenty five wonderful Bennie's students had a lovely time with Father Freitas as he gave them a tour of the church. Father pointed out some of the religious artifacts and symbols that are in the church.

The highlight of the visit was when he gathered the students by the altar to have a heart to heart talk with them about his choice to become a priest. He also inspired them to continue to reflect on their purpose and their relationship with God. The students also really appreciated meeting Christian, the very new (2 days in fact) Youth Minister for the parish.

Thanks so much for your time Father Freitas and Christian!



Did you know....?

Father Freitas maintains his Parish website. With the assistance of our school's webmaster, Mr. Milardovic, Father Freitas updates the site regularly with the week's bulletin, weekly homilies (catch up on your listening), and other multimedia. Visit the parish website for more information.

Sports

Saints battle at Track Wars

By Mr. R. Martinello

On May 3, the Saints Track and Field team competed against 1944 athletes from 49 schools at Track Wars. The Saints had a number of impressive performances including Olivia Benzen with a 2nd place finish in the senior girls 100m and Hope Harnack with a 2nd place finish in the senior girls 1500m.

The following outstanding performances included first place finishes by Xavier Isaacs in the Opens boys 100m, Alex Webb who won the junior girls javelin by 10 meters over 2nd place and Nana-Afia Ageipah with double gold in the senior girls shot put and senior girls discus.

Latest Results

VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER

St. Mary's HS 4, St. Benedict CSS 0

St. Benedict CSS 2, Resurrection CSS 0

St. Benedict CSS 3, Monsignor Doyle CSS 0

St. David CSS 0, St. Benedict CSS 0

Woodland Christian HS 2, St. Benedict CSS 0

SENIOR BOYS SOCCER

St. Benedict CSS 1, St. Mary's HS 1

St. Benedict CSS 7, Resurrection CSS 0

Monsignor Doyle CSS 2, St. Benedict CSS 1

St. Benedict CSS 4, St. David CSS 2

St. Benedict CSS 4, Resurrection CSS 0

SENIOR GIRLS SLO PITCH

Monsignor Doyle CSS 11, St. Benedict CSS 3 St. Benedict CSS 9, St. Mary's HS 2 Resurrection CSS 8, St. Benedict CSS 8 St. David CSS 5, St. Benedict CSS 5

SENIOR BOYS SLO PITCH

St. Benedict CSS 24, Monsignor Doyle CSS 16 St. Benedict CSS 12, St. Mary's HS 5 Resurrection CSS 14, St. Benedict CSS 7

Soccer boys blow past Resurrection

By Mr. E. Offak & Mrs. A. Borba

The Senior Boys Soccer Team took on Rez two weeks ago at a very windy RIM Park. While holding an early 3-0 lead, the ref called the game because of the winds and impending storm. The referee had decided to suspend play and not call the match. However with persistence from the coaches and players and after a 45 minute break, the game resumed and the team continued to score. Special shout-outs to Kyle Chaves for scoring a walk-onto the pitch Penalty on HIS actual birthday and G.P. lantorno who earned the shut-out. Other goals are also credited to Marius Pop, Jonathan Befekadu and Carter Jackson. However, the man of the match was exchange student from China Yaoren Liang scoring a brilliant header late in the second half to make it 7-0.

This match was followed up Monday by game against Monsignor Doyle, where the boys suffered a loss of 2-1.

Last Wednesday, the boys took on St. David's at home. After giving up an early lead, the Saints fought back to a convincing 4-2 victory with goals coming from Marius Pop and Noah Medeiros. A special shout out to the SAC committee for a great pep rally, we loved seeing everyone out there! Go Saints! In playoff action, the boys defeated Resurrection 4-0 in their first game. Goal scorers were Noah Medeiros, Thomas Madar and Marius Pop. G.P lantorno earned the shutout with a solid game. Today the boys play at Monsignor Doyle for a rematch in the semifinals. Please wish them luck!

Varsity Girls soccer update

By Mr. J. Bailey

Congratulations to the Varsity Girls Soccer Team, who won their last two league games, beating Resurrection last Friday under very windy conditions. Goals were scored from Brianna Zakrewski and Ola Zaba. On Monday, the girls continue their strong play with a 3-0 win over Monsignor Doyle. Goals came from Jordyn Galway, Makayla Cabral and Maggie Cabral. The team helped Emma Croswell earn shutouts over the last 2 games.

Last Wednesday, the girls followed this up with a scoreless draw against St. David's. This result in their final regular season game puts them in a tie for 1st place.

Our girls playoff run came to an end Monday night, and they finished their season defending their title at the Crusader Cup tournament at Waterloo Oxford on Friday. The offence was on full display with goals from Ola, Makayla, Kylie, Jordyn, Isabel, Juliana, Tayler, Nikki and Rebecca. Emma Croswell once again was nearly unbeateable allowing 1 goal in the tournament.

Thank you again ladies for your great effort this season.



Save the date!

The Athletic Banquet will be being held on Thursday June 7th at 4pm in the cafeteria – tickets will be available shortly!

Girls Lacrosse tournament action

By Avery DeGouveia

Congratulations to the St. Benedict's Girls lacrosse team on their win in the final game of their tournament on Monday. The girls played a hard fought game with lots of blood, sweat & determination. A huge shout out to Alea Chaves for scoring the first goal of the season along side with Eden Morelli, Brooke Hibbs, and Isabella Areias scoring goals in the final victory game.

All the hard work was vividly displayed on the field today and the girls are extremely excited to get back to practice and work hard for their next game. "We went into this tournament with nothing but determination and positivity and we walked out with a win" - Halle Safar, Bethany Lewis & Melanna Dimech. We are extremely proud of our Saints for playing a hard fought game in their tournament. Good job girls lacrosse!



Boys Lacrosse place third in tournament

By Mr. N. Calhoun

St. Benedict Varsity Boys Lacrosse team came in third place in tournament place last Tuesday. Their first win over Keswick Secondary School demonstrated a shared offensive effort with 2 goals each by Mitch Taylor, Carter Teneycke, Riley DaSilva and rookie Max Benoit.

The following 2 games were back-to-back and hard fought in the unforgiving heat. The boys showed temperance and stamina under the barrage of an aggressive Loyola coaching staff and their team's unique tactics. Honourable mention goes to Rookie Goalie: Dylan Gillespie and new comers Liam Campbell and Matt Wiersma!

Other Goal scorers were Cohen Campbell and Jordan Guay. Great work boys!!

Girls softball starts season

By Mrs. L. O'Neill

The girls' softball team started the season on Tuesday May 7th with a win and a loss in their first double-header. In Game 1 the girls kept close to a strong Monsignor Doyle team. But in the end a few errors would give them their first loss.

They came ready to play in the second game against St. Mary's. With some solid defense by Amanda Meisner, Taylor Skuta and Faith Neison they kept the Eagles to 2 runs. With the bats popping, all the girls combined for 9 runs. Way to go Softball Saints on a 9-2 WIN!

After yesterday's matches, the girls' softball team is 1-1-2 in their first 4 games. Tuesday's games included

an 8-8 tie with Resurrection and a 5-5 tie with St. David's. Way to go Lauren Dottori for making the game ending double play, Alicia Rozic for a stellar outfield catch, and Brianna Kingdon for her offensive contributions going 4 for 5 on the day. Catch the girls in action again Thursday 2pm at the Sports park when they take on Pere Rene and Monsignor Doyle.



Student Activities

Are you interested in joining SAC for the 2018-19 school year?

If you're interested in joining student council next year, pick up an application package from the SAC Office. SAC applications are due no later than Friday, May 18th at 2:15 in the Main Office. Interviews will take

place during the week of May 28th. If you have any questions about SAC, please contact Mr. Curtis or Mr. Witt.

Clubs

Eco Schools Team Recruitment Meeting

By Ms. R. O'Brien

The Eco Schools team will be hosting a recruitment meeting on Tuesday May 22 at lunch room 315. Get spirit wear, get community service hours, low commitment and FREE Food!!!! Come to the Eco Schools Team Recruitment meeting! Go Green! See Ms. O'Brien for more details.

Got milk? We need the bags!

By Mrs. M. Rocha

Did you know that the milk bags your family buys can be re-used to make ground mats for people in need who sleep on a hard and sometimes wet and muddy ground?

A group of Bennie's students are using the bags to weave mats that will be sent to Haiti.

Please bring in milk bags and put them in the bin in the atrium that is by the display until the end of the month.



Champions for Change club challenges you!

By Mrs. C. Kot

Can you help to complete the construction of a secondary school in Tanzania by our local not-for-profit organization, Mom2MomAfrica? The Champions for Change Club knows that you CAN!

Bring extra money every day next week to purchase goodies from our "Beads & Bake for Build" Fundraiser.

We will be selling brownies, cupcakes, marshmallow treats, cookies, bracelets and necklaces at lunch, in the Atrium, from Tuesday May 22nd to Friday, May 25th.

The Arts

Other News



KITCHENER

April 21 | 11-4

WATERLOO

April 22 | 11-4

CAMBRIDGE

May 12 | 11- 4

Earn Volunteer Hours! Register today at bit.lv/EPYC2018



Many hands make for light work (04.12.18)



Road Impact Survey Volunteer

[16+] Looking for biological survey experience? We are looking for a team of volunteers to conduct weekly road impact surveys from April to October. Laura laura.klein@raresites.org



Walking Bus School Leader

[16+] Leaders walk groups of elementary kids from a homes to a school. 2 leaders per route. Training, support, traffic vest provided. Colleen colleen.cooper@ontario.cancer.ca



In Community Event Volunteer

[17+] Participate in local events, promote community awareness regarding Canadian Blood Services projects, and assist with donor recruitment. Mattea mattea.duprey@blood.ca



Rotary Ribfest Hat Volunteer - AUGUST

[14+] Welcome guests to Ribfest, share information about the 2nd Annual Hat Walk, register walkers and collect donations. Sally sally.sarachman@childwitness.com



Youth newsletter:

http://eepurl.com/bPwOKH



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Community Tidbits

Cambridge LEAD Program - Expand your leadership skills, make new friends, have fun AND earn your LEAD certification (require to volunteer with many organization in Cambridge)! The LEAD program provides an opportunity to start earning your Community Service hours while learning important skills that will help in future job searches. May 26 & 27 from 9:00-5:00 at the Chaplin Family YMCA. \$45. Call 519-623-9622 to

register.

Kitchener Youth Drop-in Summer starts July 3. They provide safe places for youth to have fun and learn new skills is an important element of every healthy community.

The drop-in programs are:

- open to youth, ages 12 to 17 (*exceptions: KCI, 18+ basketball, and Jean Steckle Public School programs)
- · free to attend
- fully supervised

The programs give youth in every part of our city a chance to play sports, games and music, make art and crafts, learn to cook, and more. Here is a <u>list of drop-in centre locations and details</u>.

Summer Jobs!

Summer Camp Supervisor (G License required) - Evolve Camps (Waterloo)

Summer Camp Worker (G License required) - Family & Children's Services (KW)

Animal Care Attendant - Chicopee Hills Animal Hospital (Kitchener)

Camp Counsellor - STEM Camp (Cambridge)

Youth Job Connection Program

This program includes PAID workshops and activities designed to help participants get ready for work. Individuals will be paid the provincial hourly minimum wage for the time they participate in the mandatory pre-employment training component of the program (60 – 90 hours). Read more here

Calendar of Events

Be sure to visit our school website for an updated calendar with detailed information links for most calendar entries.

Wednesday, May 16

2:15pm: Concert Jam 2:15pm: Yearbook Team

Thursday, May 17

8:00am: Track and Field District 8 Championships

10:40am: Reach for the Top **10:40am:** Anime Club

10:40am: Robotics & Engineering Club

10:40am: Champions of Change10:40am: Accepting Differences Club

10:40am: Praise & Worship Music Team practice

10:40am: MarioKart club 10:40am: Lost Club

2:00pm: Sr. Girls Slo Pitch @ ES Père-René-de-

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Galinée

Thursday, May 24

8:00am: Track and Field CWOSSA

Championships

10:40am: Reach for the Top

10:40am: Anime Club

10:40am: Robotics & Engineering Club

10:40am: Champions of Change10:40am: Accepting Differences Club

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10:40am: Praise & Worship Music Team practice

10:40am: MarioKart club **10:40am:** Lost Club

2:00pm: Sr. Girls Slo Pitch vs St. David CSS 2:00pm: Sr. Boys Slo Pitch vs St. David CSS

2:15pm: Seams Sew Easy Club

2:15pm: Math Club 2:15pm: Games Club

3:45pm: Sr. Girls Slo Pitch vs ES Père-René-de-

Galinée

2:15pm: Jazz Band

2:15pm: Seams Sew Easy Club

2:15pm: Math Club 2:15pm: Games Club

3:45pm: Sr. Girls Slo Pitch vs Monsignor Doyle

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Friday, May 18

SHSM Event: Law Day- Mock Trial

8:00am: Ultimate Frisbee Championships

10:40am: Programmers Club10:40am: Star Trek Club10:40am: Finance Club10:40am: Lost Club

2:15pm: Doctor Who Video Club

Monday, May 21

Victoria Day

Tuesday, May 22

10:40am: ECO Team recruitment meeting
2:00pm: Sr. Girls Slo Pitch @ St. Mary's HS
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3:45pm: Sr. Girls Slo Pitch vs Resurrection CSS
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Wednesday, May 23

8:00am: Track and Field CWOSSA

Championships

10:40am: Ultimate Frisbee Club **10:40am:** Accepting Differences Club

10:40am: Guitar Club 10:40am: Cosmo Club 10:40am: Programmers Club

10:40am: Lost Club

10:40am: Model United Nations

2:15pm: Yearbook Team 7:00pm: Arts Spring Concert 3:45pm: Sr. Boys Slo Pitch vs ES Père-René-de-

Galinée

Friday, May 25

10:40am: Programmers Club10:40am: Star Trek Club10:40am: Finance Club10:40am: Lost Club

2:15pm: Doctor Who Video Club

Monday, May 28

10:40am: Programmers Club 10:40am: Arts Council 10:40am: Finance Club

Wednesday, May 30

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10:40am: Ultimate Frisbee Club **10:40am:** Accepting Differences Club

10:40am: Guitar Club 10:40am: Cosmo Club

10:40am: Programmers Club

10:40am: Lost Club

10:40am: Model United Nations

2:15pm: Yearbook Team

Thursday, May 31

Arts Banquet

10:40am: Reach for the Top **10:40am:** Anime Club

10:40am: Robotics & Engineering Club

10:40am: Champions of Change

10:40am: Accepting Differences Club

10:40am: Praise & Worship Music Team practice

10:40am: MarioKart club **10:40am:** Lost Club

2:15pm: Seams Sew Easy Club

2:15pm: Math Club 2:15pm: Games Club

Friday, June 1

Professional Development Day

8:00am: Track and Field OFSAA Regional

6:30pm: Prom

Saturday, June 2

8:00am: Track and Field OFSAA Regional

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