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Saints support those in need

The St. Benedict CSS food drive concluded last Friday with over 40 boxes of food collected for the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank. Students and their families contributed generously so that our Cambridge neighbours who are less fortunate could eat. Well done Saints!!



St. Benedict Fundraiser Vendor Market a success

By Mrs. L. Varriano Lane

St. Benedict's third fundraiser vendor market, held on Saturday, October 19th, was a success, and there were many contributing factors.

To begin, 83 vendors generously donated table fees to be a part of the event, and these fees will directly assist local and global social justice initiatives in the school including the Dominican Encounter with Faith and Hospitality.

In addition, vendors either donated a percentage of their sales back to our students' fundraising efforts (\$250.78) or donated a raffle prize. Likewise, there were three food trucks present whose owners also donated a percentage of their sales back to our students' fundraising efforts (\$180).

The Operation Smile Club ran the raffle table and raised \$291.10 in donations on the day of the event, and there was a staff raffle held after the event which raised \$510! These donations will cover the cost of surgeries to repair the cleft lip or cleft palate of three children.

A group of amazing students from Mrs. Currie's math class and the WE Day trip worked tirelessly with Mrs. Currie, Mrs. Kot and Ms. Stockie baking a variety of items for the bake sale, and they raised \$384.90 for

A HUGE thanks goes out to the fantastic student volunteers who assisted with the massive jobs of set-up and clean-up, helping vendors with a variety of tasks (including helping them carry their products in and out of the school) and running the kids' zone, raffle table and bake table! Students also ran the prize table where local business partners thoughtfully donated items to be won! This day truly could not have happened without these students!

Lastly, as always, the St.
Benedict school community
played a large role in the
success of this event. They
generously helped out with
their time, essential advertising
efforts, purchasing raffle tickets
and shopping at the market!
Special thanks go out to Mr.
Renner and Mr. Olinski who
always help out and let us use
their spaces - and Mme.
Barbosa, Mrs. Rocha and Mr.
Milardovic who always go
above and beyond!!!





We are already looking forward to our next event, so stay tuned!

Administrative



Looking for Interview feedback!

Did you use our online service to book interviews with teachers? We would like to know your opinion on the online booking system. Did you like it? Was it difficult? Did you get all the interviews you wanted?

Please send an email to Mr. Milardovic with your thoughts; it will help us as we proceed for next semester.

News from Guidance

By Mrs. L. O'Neill

Who is your Guidance Counsellor?

Mrs. Lesley O'Toole A-Di & International Students ext. 5190

Mrs. Karla Arkell Dj - Ki ext. 5636 Mr. Nick Betik KI - Pl ext. 5633 Mrs. Laura O'Neill Po - Z ext. 5634

Mrs. O'Connor Administrative Assistant ext. 5631



BINGEMANS 425 Bingemans Centre Dr., Kitchener, ON

5:30PM - 9PM

On behalf of Build a Dream and Waterloo Catholic District School Board, we invite you to our FREE Build a Dream Young Woman and Parent/Guardian Career Discovery Expo for grades 7-12.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2019

5:30 PM – 9:00 PM (Doors open at 5:00 PM)
BINGEMANS
425 Bingemans Centre Dr, Kitchener

We are thrilled to welcome #DreamMakers from around the community to speak about their career journey's and successes in a high-powered 30-minute workshop!

We know you will enjoy all that Build a Dream has to offer, including:

- * **EMPLOYER CAREER FAIR!** Meet 50 employers and explore careers in Skilled Trades, STEM, Emergency Response, and Entrepreneurship.
- * Conestoga College's **DREAMZONE**! This interactive space is the perfect opportunity to get your hands dirty, build something and have fun!
- * FEMALE MENTORS who will chat one-on-one with you and answer your questions.

- * DRESS UP and SMILE at the PHOTO BOOTH!
- * Prizes, Swag, Scholarships, a light evening meal, and MORE!

We will be highlighting opportunities in a number of careers to better assist you in making career informed career choices. As a community, we recognize the critical role parents/guardians play in the development and education of their child, which is why we are providing this opportunity for you to come with your daughter and learn more about careers in these growing sectors!

P.S. Space is limited - 3 per household. Register today to secure your tickets to this FREE event! REGISTER HERE: https://buildadreamkw2019.eventbrite.ca

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE! For additional information, please contact: info@webuildadream.com.





#DREAMKITCHENERWATERLOO

ARE YOU A YOUNG WOMAN OR A PARENT OF A YOUNG WOMAN WHO IS IN GRADE 7-12? Book your tickets today at: BUILDADREAMKW2019.EVENTBRITE.CA

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Are you considering volunteering at St. Benedict?



Volunteers are a welcome resource at St. Benedict C.S.S. The school is in a position of trust with regards to students and must strive to protect their intellectual, physical, mental, and emotional well-being. As such, the WCDSB administrative procedure (APO 001) mandates that all volunteers be screened, references checked, and Criminal Background Check (CBC) done. School administration reserves the right to oppose or rescind any volunteer placement.

If you would like to volunteer at St. Benedict, please contact <u>Ms.</u> <u>Fondacaro</u> or visit our <u>Volunteering</u> page on the school website.

St. Benedict Spirit wear orders extended!

Place your order by November 11

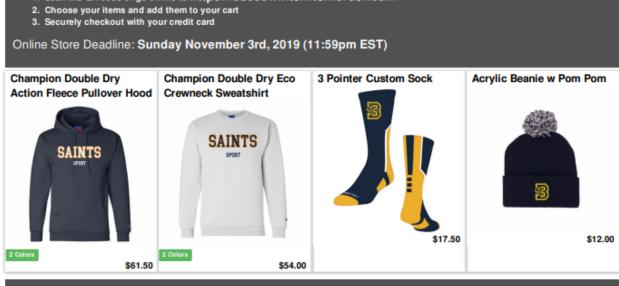




St. Benedict C.S.S. Winter 2019

You can now purchase your items online in 3 easy steps:

1. Scan the QR code or go online to https://sbcsswinter.itemorder.com





Questions? Keith Araujo (519) 571-7374 info@sportslinkstore.com https://thesportslink.ca/



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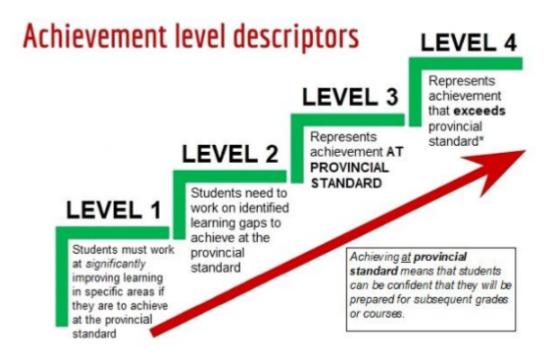


The number of Catholic ratepayers in Waterloo Region has fallen in the last number of years to below 100,000. This has happened at the same time Waterloo Region's population has grown significantly. To help counter this downward trend, in conjunction with our annual Kindergarten sign-up campaign, we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

Learn More Here

So, what are these levels of achievement?

Historically, students were often compared to others in their class, course, or grade when being assessed and evaluated. Fortunately, teachers now use content and performance standards from the Ontario Ministry of Education curriculum expectations to ensure that assessment and evaluation practices and procedures are fair, transparent, and equitable for all students.



^{*}Achievement at Level 4 does <u>not</u> mean that the student has achieved expectations beyond those specified for the grade and/or course.

Updates to the GRT fare card promotion

^{**}If you want to know more about the levels of achievement, consider having a conversation with your child's teacher and/or an administrator.**

Fare Cards processed after September 1 are now preloaded with \$25

Students currently attending a Cambridge high school and who have not previously taken part in this promotion are eligible to receive GRT's EasyGO fare card pre-loaded with \$25 in stored value (increased from last year to still be equivalent to 10 rides at the new 2019 high school reduced fare rate).

Students have until December 31, 2019 to take advantage of this promotion. More information can be found here: www.grt.ca/cambridgehs

New! Online Request Option for Parents and Students

In an effort to make getting the card easier, parents and students can now request a card by completing the online consent form available here: www.grt.ca/cambridgehs

The card, loaded with \$25, will be sent directly to your high school for student pick up.



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 at St. Benedict

By Mrs. D. Wittmann

Advanced Placement (AP) is an internationally recognized program that allows students to enrich the Ontario Curriculum with the goal of achieving university accreditation.

What does the research say about AP students?

Research shows that the best predictor of whether or not a student completes a university degree is not their high school grades or standardized tests. Rather, the best predictor is how many challenging courses a student has taken in high school. Students who challenge themselves with AP courses and exams are much more likely to complete a university degree in four years or less.

Visit the Advanced Placement blog:

https://advancedplacementsaintbenedict.wordpress.com/

Opportunity for current Grade 9 students

Waterloo Catholic District School Board is excited to offer a Grade 10 Civics and Careers travel for credit course during the summer of 2020. This course has two components. The first component consists of an eLearning module during the first two weeks of July. The second component consists of a 7 day trip that will take students to Ottawa, Montreal, and New York City during the second two weeks of July. The travel portion of the course will be organized by EF Educational Tours. We are hosting information nights for parents/guardians who are interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity.

We look forward to seeing you at one of these meetings. Please contact your Guidance counsellor or administrator if you have any questions.

RSVP to the meeting at: www.eftours.ca/creditinfo



Travel in North America. Best. Course. Ever.

Earn course credit with EF Educational Tours

Course available:

- Civics and Careers in Ottawa, Montreal & New York (CHV2O/GLC2O)
- Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00pm

Resurrection Catholic Secondary School 455 University Ave. W., Kitchener, ON

Thursday, November 14 at 7:00pm

St. Benedict Catholic Secondary School 50 Saginaw Pkwy, Cambridge, ON

RSVP to our information session at eftours.ca/creditinfo







Are you signed up for SHSM?

Training opportunities are happening! Check your school email account for messages about upcoming certifications.

You can also go to highskills.ca and go under trips and trainings for your school and sector to see what is coming up.

Still want to become a Specialist High Skills Major student?

Grade 10's and 11's can still get registered for the program–forms are in guidance and the coop office (2nd floor).

Grade 11 SHSM students watch for an information meeting to be happening in a few weeks.

GOT QUESTIONS?

See your guidance counsellor or Mrs. Crowell in the co-op office.

Arts & Culture

Business

Construction

Energy

Environment

Health & Wellness

Hospitality & Tourism

Info & Communications Tech

Justice, Emergency Services & Community Safety

Manufacturing

Transportation



St. Benedict Library Learning Commons



All St. Benedict students should have an Idea Exchange library card.

This card allows you to access your school's library databases and eBooks, and to sign out books and other materials from your Library Learning Commons. Printing is available from the library computers for a cost of

25 cents per side. Your school print credits cannot be used in the library.

If you aren't sure if you have a library card or you have lost your card, please come to the member services desk.

Sports

Sr Boys win epic battle with Rez, both football teams to play in finals

Congratulations to the Senior Boys Football team who have advanced to the District 8 Finals with a thrilling 25-23 win over Resurrection in five overtimes! Quarterback Ethan Eveleigh ran the 2-point conversion into the endzone to seal the victory for the Saints.

The team now plays St. David's for the Championship this Thursday night at the University of Waterloo. Kick-off is set for 6:30 pm. Come on out and cheer on the Saints!!

For a recap of the game, <u>check out this video</u> by 519 Sports.

Junior boys also advance

On the junior side, our Junior Boys beat St. David 18-7 in the semifinals, and will be playing Resurrection in the District 8 junior finals at 4:00 on Thursday, also at the UW Field. Come out and cheer on the Saints boys to victory!

Sports results

JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

St. Benedict CSS 28, Woodland Christian HS 11

St. Mary's HS 62, St. Benedict CSS 34

St. Benedict CSS 51, Rockway MC 47

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Woodland Christian HS 39, St. Benedict CSS 16 Monsignor Doyle CSS 34, St. Benedict CSS 21 Resurrection CSS 61, St. Benedict CSS 41

JUNIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Woodland Christian HS 3, St. Benedict CSS 1 St. Benedict CSS 39, St. Mary's HS 16 Monsignor Doyle CSS 3, St. Benedict CSS 2 Rockway MC 3, St. Benedict CSS 1 Rockway MC 3, St. Benedict CSS 1

SENIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL

St. Benedict CSS 3, Woodland Christian HS 0

St. Benedict CSS 3, Our Lady of Mount Carmel 1

St. Benedict CSS 3, Rockway MC 0

St. Benedict CSS 3, Rockway MC 2

JUNIOR BOYS FOOTBALL

St. Benedict CSS 18, St. David CSS 7

SENIOR BOYS FOOTBALL

St. Benedict CSS 25, Resurrection CSS 23

Junior Girls Basketball

The Junior Girls Basketball season came to an end yesterday with a loss to a tough St. Mary's opponent in their semi final. The girls fell behind early but managed to claw their way back into the game as it wore on, but were unable to overcome the early deficit and fell short. The girls showed great passion and determination day in and day out and Coaches Lam and Mathé could not be more proud of the way they

Senior Girls Basketball

After a hard fought battle against Rez, the senior girls basketball team fell short in their semi-final game last night. Leading scorers for the Saints were Lara Johnson and Julianna Vasquez. Congratulations on a great season ladies!

Senior Boys Volleyball

Congratulations to the Sr. Boys volleyball team who finished their regular season games last week with an *UNDEFEATED record!* The team played Rockway, winning in 3 sets on Wednesday, and a nail biting 5 set match on Thursday! We NEED your support this afternoon at 3:00 in the gym for our semi final game against St. Mary's - come out and cheer your boys on!

Winter Sports season about to start!

Girls volleyball

There will be an information meeting on Friday, November 9 at the beginning of lunch in room 214 for all girls interested in both junior and senior girls volleyball.

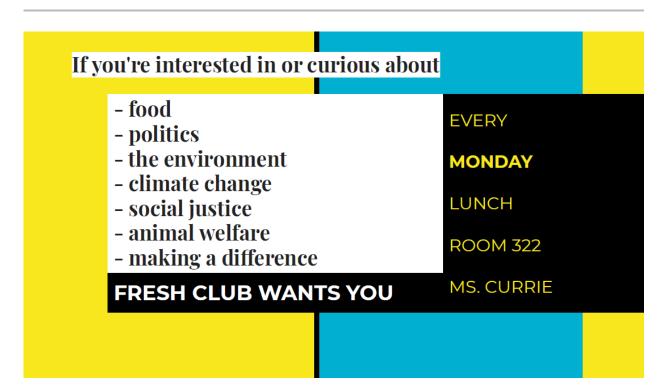
Student Activities

Getting into the "spirit" for Hallowe'en

This year, as always, our Arts Council and Cosmo club put on their Hallowe'en haunted house... a frightfully good experience for all involved, and for those who were brave enough to walk through it! Congrats to all those who put in the many hours to make it a success, including Mrs. McKellar, Mr. Renner, the cosmo club members and tech crew!



Clubs



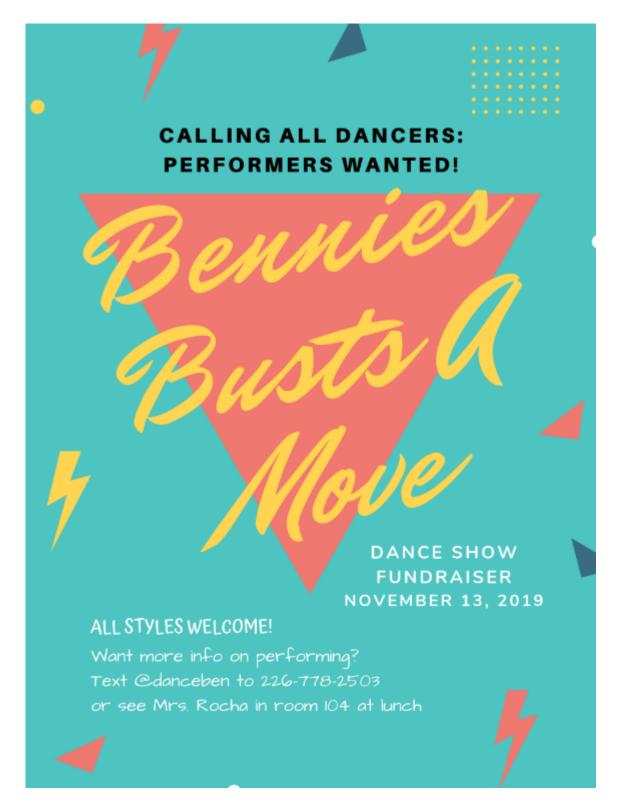
The Arts

Bennies Busts A Move to raise funds for our dance program!

On Wednesday November 13th the dance class is hosting an awesome fundraiser! Come out to see exceptional dancers express themselves through styles like hip-hop, jazz, lyrical and contemporary. You will also enjoy the talents of some fave student performers who will showcase their gifts in music and acting! It will be a fun night for all, so please come out to support our dance program!

Time: 7:00 - 8:30

Cost: \$5/student, \$10/adult



COMING IN DECEMBER!

ST. BENEDICT DRAMA PRODUCTIONS PROUDLY PRESENTS



December 5, 6 and 7

Tickets to go on sale soon!

Other News

Become a Volunteer



71 Cowan Blvd Cambridge, N1T 1K7

All Sorts of Sports Drop-in

Wednesdays at St Margaret's School Gym. 6-7pm (Gr 1 - 4) and/or 7-8pm (Gr 5 - 8) Volunteer for 1 or both time slots.

Afterschool Program

Monday to Friday—Afterschool to 5:30pm- at Fidalesticks. You can volunteer for just one day or all days. Walking groups leave from Clemens Mill school and \$1 Margaret's school. Various start times available

2:50pm start time—Clemens Mill School

3:10pm start time—St Margaret's School

3:30pm start time- Fiddlesticks

Dodgeball

Mondays 6:30-8pm-Clemens Mill Public School-ongoing to June,

Girls Club & Guys Night

Thursdays 6-8 pm-at Fiddlesticks Starting: ongoing to June

Kids in the Kitchen

Tuesdays at Fidallesticks 6-7:30pm. Fall session Oct 1st-Nov 19th (8 weeks) Winter session Jan 14th - Mar 3rd (8 weeks) Spring session April 7-May 26th (8 weeks)

Krafty Kids

Wednesdays at Fidalesticks 6-7pm. Fall session Oct 2nd – Nov 20th (8 weeks) Winter session Jan 15th – Mar 4th (8 weeks) Spring session April 8– May 27th (8 weeks)

Office Help

Thursdays from 5-7pm at Fidalesticks.

PD Day Camps at Fiddlesticks

Oct 25th, Nov 15th, Jan 24th, Apr 3, May 29th (Morning shift: 8:30am-12:30pm) (Afternoon shift: 12:30pm-5:30pm) (all day shift: 9-4pm)

Youth Committee

Thursdays 5-6 pm at Fiddlesticks, starts October 3rd and is ongoing till June, Join anytime. Counts for high school hours.

Christmas in The Neighbourhood Event

Wed Dec 4th. 5:30–9pm at Clemens Mill P.S. Various positions available

Outdoor Ice Rink- Winter 2020 Can-Amera Park

Contact Bernardete, Volunteer Coordinator

Phone: 519.621.4040 x 222 Email: volunteer.services@on.aibn.com

www.fiddlesticks.ca







Everyone is invited to a lively evening of conversation with:

DR. MOIRA McQUEEN, LL.B, M.Div., Ph.D.

or

GENDER ISSUES - DYING & DEATH IN CHRISTIAN LIFE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

ST. CLEMENT CHURCH, 745 DUKE STREET, CAMBRIDGE (in the Parish Hall)

Dr. Moira Mary McQueen has taught moral theology at St. Michael's Graduate Faculty of Theology at the University of Toronto since 1994. She has written and co-authored many articles and book chapters in bioethics, fundamental ethics and other areas. In September 2014, Pope Francis appointed Dr. McQueen for a five-year term to the International Theological Commission, a 30-member Vatican advisory body within the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith. In October 2015, Dr. McQueen was the Canadian lay representative at the Second Synod on Marriage and the Family at the Vatican.

Moira and her husband Matthew have seven children and, to date, 12 grandchildren.

Free will offerings are graciously accepted



FALL Volunteer Opportunities



NEW All Sorts of Sports Drop-in

Wednesdays at St Margaret's School Gym. Starting Oct 2nd.
6-7pm (Gr 1 - 4) and/or 7-8pm (Gr 5 - 8) Volunteer for 1 or both time slots.



Afterschool Program

Monday to Friday —Afterschool to 5:30pm- at Fiddlesticks. You can volunteer for one or more days. Walking groups leave from Clemens Mill public school and St Margaret's school.



Afterschool Walking Group

Monday to Friday —Afterschool to 3:45pm- ongoing till June.

Help our afterschool program kids get to Fiddlesticks. Walking groups leave from Clemens

Mill public school and St Margaret's school. Which day can you help?



Dodgeball

Mondays 6:30-8pm- Clemens Mill Public School- ongoing to June, starting Sept 16th

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Girls Club & Guys Night

Thursdays 6-8 pm- at Fiddlesticks Starting: ongoing to June

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Thursdays from 5-7pm at Fiddlesticks. Starting 5th.

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Email: volunteer.services@on.aibn.com



Calendar of Events

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

3:00pm: Sr. Boys Volleyball vs St. Mary's - D8

Semifinal

Thursday, November 7

Career/Civics turnaround day

8:30am: SHSM Training: Standard First Aid &

CPR-C

10:40am: MCU Club

10:40am: DECA Business Club

10:40am: Chess Club

10:40am: Racing Saints E-Car Team

2:15pm: Band

4:00pm: Jr. Boys Football vs Resurrection D8

FINALS

6:30pm: Sr. Boys Football vs St. David D8

FINALS

Friday, November 8

9:30am: Univ/Coll visit: Nipissing University

10:40am: MCU Club 10:40am: Coders Club

10:40am: Sr. Girls Volleyball info meeting **10:40am:** Jr. Girls Volleyball info meeting

2:15pm: Doctor Who Video Club

Monday, November 11

Remembrance Day

9:30am: Univ/Coll visit: Sault College

10:40am: Fresh Club 10:40am: MCU Club 10:40am: Finance Club

2:15pm: Choir

Tuesday, November 12

9:30am: SHSM Training: ICE Challenge Day

10:40am: Arts Council

10:40am: DECA Business Club

10:40am: Champions for Change Club **10:40am:** Racing Saints E-Car Team

Wednesday, November 13

10:40am: Eco Club

10:40am: Model UN Club 10:40am: Cosmo Club

10:40am: Spoken Word Club **10:40am:** MarioKart Club

10:40am: Racing Saints E-Car Team2:15pm: Magic the Gathering club7:00pm: Bennies Busts A Move

Professional Activity Day

Monday, November 18

Bullying Awareness Week

10:40am: Fresh Club

10:40am: MCU Club 10:40am: Finance Club

2:15pm: Choir

Tuesday, November 19

Bullying Awareness Week

9:30am: SHSM Training: Business Day at

University of Guelph

10:40am: Arts Council

10:40am: DECA Business Club

10:40am: Champions for Change Club10:40am: Racing Saints E-Car Team11:30am: OSSLT Mock Literacy Test

Wednesday, November 20

Bullying Awareness Week

Mid-Term Report Card Distributed

BENN Newsletter release

9:30am: SHSM Training: Food Handling part 1

10:40am: Eco Club

10:40am: Model UN Club 10:40am: Cosmo Club

10:40am: Spoken Word Club **10:40am:** MarioKart Club

10:40am: Racing Saints E-Car Team **2:15pm:** Magic the Gathering club

Thursday, November 21

Bullying Awareness Week

9:30am: SHSM Training: Food Handling part 29:30am: SHSM Training: Event Management9:30am: Univ/Coll visit: Laurentian University

10:40am: MCU Club

10:40am: DECA Business Club

10:40am: Chess Club

10:40am: Racing Saints E-Car Team

2:15pm: Band

Friday, November 22

Bullying Awareness Week

9:30am: Univ/Coll visit: Redeemer University

10:40am: MCU Club 10:40am: Coders Club

2:15pm: Doctor Who Video Club

Thursday, November 14

8:30am: SHSM Training: Animal First Aid

10:40am: MCU Club 10:40am: Coders Club

10:40am: DECA Business Club

10:40am: Chess Club

10:40am: Racing Saints E-Car Team

2:15pm: Band

2:15pm: Doctor Who Video Club

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See the calendar on the school website for the most up-to-date information!

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