

# San Marco C.E.S. School Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

It's hard to believe that the 2017-2018 school year has already come to an end. I continue to be inspired by all the wonderful memories of students engaged in meaningful learning experiences. I am thankful for the outstanding efforts of our San Marco school staff who have worked to create and support the rich moments of learning that have enhanced our student's educational experiences throughout the year.

I would like to thank all of our families for supporting our initiatives and for helping us create a positive environment in which our children can flourish. Your partnership and contributions are truly valued and appreciated. The San Marco Catholic School Council has been a valuable source of ideas and a driving force in helping us to achieve goals which have enhanced student learning at San Marco. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our Council and to all our parent volunteers this year for their gifts of time and dedication to our school community.

On behalf of myself and the staff, we sincerely wish everyone a safe and relaxing summer.

Yours in Catholic Education,  
R. Gravina,  
Principal.



### Mission Statement

Guided by Gospel values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

### Vision Statement

Our students will become creative and critical thinkers who integrate Catholic Values into their daily lives, as socially responsible global citizens.

### Core Values



### Strategic Commitments

Integration of Our  
Catholic Faith

Continuous  
Improvement of  
Student Achievement

Effective Use of  
Our Resources

Engaging Our  
Communities

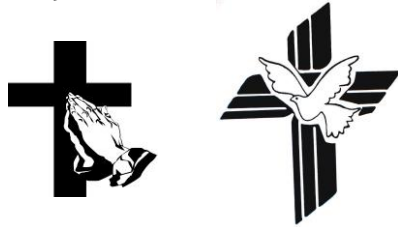
## Catholic School Council



Our next council meeting will be held in the fall of the new academic school year. All meeting dates are posted on our school website.

## Graduation and Year End Mass

Our final mass and Graduation mass will be held on **Monday, June 18, 2018**.



The location of the mass will be determined closer to the date. Our Graduation and Year End Mass at approximately 9:15 am. The location of the mass, will as always, be dependent on the weather. If the weather is nice, the students will walk to St. Peter's Church and mass will begin at approximately 9:30am. However, if it is inclement weather, mass will be celebrated in our school gym and will begin at approximately 9:15 am. We hope you can join us.

## Communion and Confirmation Cake and Pizza Celebration

**On June 18<sup>th</sup>**, after our school mass, we will distribute the Communion and Confirmation certificates. Later that morning the Grade 2 and 7 students will gather in our school library and lab for their special Communion and Confirmation Cake and Pizza Celebration hosted by our Catholic School Council.

We would like to thank our Council for providing a lovely gift, cake and pizza to all the recipients of the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

## Catholic Virtues

### Virtue: Honesty

#### Month: June

Truthfulness keeps to the just mean between what ought to be expressed and what ought to be kept secret; it entails honesty and discretion. Integrity takes truth to the next level. It is one thing to tell the truth, it is something more to live the truth.

For students the challenge of integrity is to translate the moral truths that they have learned into acts of goodness and kindness. In the month of June, we reflect on what Jesus wanted; for all of us to be honest as he had taught us, even when it is difficult.



## Civvies Day

We would like to thank our entire community for supporting all our Civvies Days this year in support of Share Life and St. Peter's Church Dominican Republic Mission. Thank you for your generosity San Marco!



### Reporting Student Absences/Safe Arrival

We will continue the Safe Arrival Program which allows parents to report student absences for the current day prior to bell time which is 8:50 a.m., as well as future absences via the internet or telephone. **The Safe Arrival Phone Number is 1-855-856-7862 and the Safe Arrival Parent Portal website is: [go.schoolmessenger.ca](http://go.schoolmessenger.ca)**

Please be aware that if you do not report your child's absence you will receive automated phone calls and emails requesting your confirmation that you are aware of your child's absence and to provide an explanation for the absence.

### Anaphylaxis



As we continue to take a proactive approach to make our school a safe environment for our students with life-threatening food allergies, please be reminded that the school is a Nut-Safe environment. It is a good practice to wash your hands thoroughly before and after each meal to avoid cross contamination, particularly after breakfast, before coming to school.

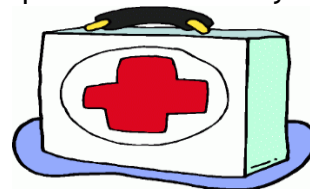
**We would like to remind parents that in keeping with our School Allergy Awareness Plan, loot bags containing treats or, any food items for sharing/distribution are NOT allowed in the school.** You are most welcome to bring in non-food items (e.g. class book, pencils, erasers) to celebrate a special occasion such as a birthday. We thank you for your continued effort in keeping our school a safe environment for all our students.

### Medication

If your child requires medication (prescribed by a physician), please notify the school and complete the necessary S16A form (available at the office). All medication must be sent to the office for safekeeping. Please note that medication cannot be administered by Administration without completing required forms.

### Medication and Epi pens

Please advise the classroom teacher and Office if your child has a life threatening allergy and requires an epipen. Also, please let us know of any other medical condition. **The epi-pens stored in the office will be returned at the end of the school year.** Please provide the school an updated epi pen on the first day of school with the updated forms. A letter explaining the forms will go home with your child along with epi pens on the last day in June.



### SAN MARCO'S GIVES BACK . . .



### San Marco supports Share Life and St. Peter's Church Mission in the Dominican Republic

We wish to thank all our students and their families for supporting ShareLife throughout the year in support of ShareLife through our Civvies days. Thank you to everyone who supported our ShareLife efforts.



Also, our sincere thanks for your generous support of St. Peter's Church mission in the Dominican Republic. Our school will be presenting St. Peter's Church with our collective donation at our Year End Graduation Mass celebration. Thank you and God bless you!

## San Marco Highlights . . .

### Sk Celebration of Learning

Our SK Celebration of Learning will take place on Friday, June 15 at 9:30 am in our school gymnasium. Letters with additional information will be sent home to parents. The children are working hard to prepare for their special day and we hope you can all join us for this very special occasion which marks the end of the two year Kindergarten program and the beginning of grade 1. Grade 1, here we come!

### Gr. 8 Graduation

*Ceremony & Dinner:*

*Monday, June 25, 2018*

*at 5:15 pm*

*Da Vinci Banquet Hall*



*Year End & Graduation Mass:*

*Monday, June 18, 2018*

*at 9:15 am*



### Are You Moving?

Please notify the school in writing if your child is not returning to San Marco Catholic School in September, 2018. Please include the name of the school that your child will be attending. This will assist us with staffing in a timely manner.

### Lost and Found

Parents, please remind your child(ren) to check the lost and found for any lost items. Parents may check for items either before or after the school bell times of 8:35 a.m. and 3:40 p.m. Any items that have not been retrieved by Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> will be donated to a charitable organization.



### EQAO - OQRE

Education Quality and  
Accountability Office



Between May 22 and June 1, 2018 grade 3 and 6 students will be taking part in the provincial Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary/Junior Division, created by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO). This assessment is administered to all Grade 3 and Grade 6 students in Ontario's publicly funded school system. Please visit the EQAO website for parent and student resources at [www.eqao.com](http://www.eqao.com).

On Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, all grade 3 and 6 students enjoyed an EQAO pizza lunch. We know how hard the children have worked and we hope this was a lovely way to close our EQAO assessment period.



## The LAST DAY of Term 3 Hot Lunch will be:

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2018**  
**CHANGE OF DATE FOR PIZZA LUNCH**  
**FROM JUNE 14<sup>th</sup> TO JUNE 15<sup>th</sup> DUE**  
**TO TRACK AND FIELD MEET**

A reminder that the Pizza lunch this week is scheduled for Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup> due to our Track and Field meet (this date is set by the board) which involves almost a third of our students. Please mark this date in your calendar and please ensure that students bring a lunch to school with them on Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your understanding.

## Track and Field

On Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, our SMO Track and Field Team will compete in the annual YCDSB Meet. Permission letters containing all information including the new location have already been sent home. Our students will compete in various events from relay racing to standing long jump. Congratulations to all the students who made the team and thank you to all our coaches and supervisors. Good luck to our entire team! **GO LIONS GO!**



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June has come so quickly this year and it is time to wind down our library. Our library will be officially closing down for the 2017/2018 school year on Friday, June 15, 2018. All library books must be returned by this date or the fees must be paid. It has been another wonderful year filled with magical adventures. Our library continues to be a beloved treasure that is enjoyed by everyone at San Marco. I just wanted to thank everyone for all your support and participation. As always, any misplaced books will be fined at either \$5.00 or \$10.00. This helps our cost of replacing any lost materials. Our collection continues to grow with many wonderful titles and they will all be available in September. Wishing you all a safe & enjoyable summer. Thank you for another amazing year! Happy Summer Reading!

*Ms. C. Boragina*

**Read! Learn! Grow! Inspire!**

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## GRADE 1 - 8 PLAY DAY - JUNE 19

On Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be enjoying our long awaited 2018 San Marco Play Day! The students will play a variety of games. The teams will be blended and include students from grades 1 to 6. Our grade 7 students will be Team Captains and our grade 8 students will be leading the games and activities. Students will receive a nut safe treat (freezie) during the day. The Play Day will be half day and most of the day will be spent outdoors. More information will be sent home soon. Our rain date will be Wednesday, June 20, 2018.

## KINDERGARTEN PLAY DAY - JUNE 22

On Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, our Kindergarten students will have their Play Day. They will also participate in a variety of outdoor games and activities and receive a nut safe treat (freezie). In the event of rain, the playday will be held in our school gymnasium. More information will be sent home soon.

## Weather Conditions & Sun Protection

Students are asked to dress appropriately for the weather conditions of the day. This includes wearing rain gear, sun hats, and rain boots. They are also asked to change into their indoor shoes before entering the classroom. **It is also very important to please send extra socks and a change of clothes for wet weather.**

Sunny days and wet weather are ahead. Please ensure that your child puts some SPF on in the morning before leaving for school. Since SPF is only effective if it is put on 20 minutes before exposure to sun, it is important that they put it on before coming to school.



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## Recess Rules

We encourage all students to experience their recess outdoor breaks in an enjoyable and safe manner.

However, we would like to remind all students not to bring any hard playing balls in order to ensure the safety of all students.

Also we would like to remind all students to follow these very important rules in the school yard:

### THE BIG 6



## Drop Off Zone

Drivers are reminded to continue to be cautious of students who are crossing the sidewalk on either side of the loop and to obey the stop sign which is located at the end of the loop.

Please do not pass vehicles that are unloading students. **Treat it like a "drive thru".** Please move your vehicle as close as you can to the stop sign, rather than stopping in front of the doors when unloading your child even if there are no cars in front of you. **Also please do not enter/exit the parking lot at the end of the day.** Thank you all for your cooperation.



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## THE BIG 6

1. Show respect to every student and every adult.
2. Use words that compliment, help, and support people.
3. Settle differences peacefully, together.
4. Take care of the school, your belongings, and the belongings of others.
5. Always be where you are supposed to be.
6. Always try to perform better than you did yesterday.



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## Important Information

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <b>PA DAY - No School</b>  Yearbook club and team pictures	2
3	4 <b>PA DAY - No School</b>	5	6 CSC MEETING at 6:30 pm - Library	7	8 EQAO Pizza Celebration	9
10	11	12	13	14 Track & Field Meet	15 SK CELEBRATION OF LEARNING AT 9:30 AM <b>PIZZA DAY INSTEAD OF JUNE 14</b>	16
17	18 <b>Grad / Year End Mass at 9:15 am</b> Communion & Confirmation Cake/Pizza for students at 11:45	19 GR. 1-8 PLAY DAY	20 Rain date for Gr.1-8 Play Day	21	22 Kindergarten Play Day	23
24	25 <b>Grade 8 Graduation at 5:15 pm</b>	26	27 Last Day of HOT LUNCH	28 <b>Last Day of School</b> Report Cards go Home Gr. 8 CLAP OUT at 3:30 pm	30 PA DAY  <b>School Resumes Tues., Sept. 4, 2018</b>	21

***HAVE A SAFE AND BLESSED SUMMER! SEE YOU ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2018!***

