

# SCHOOL NEWS

St. Alexander School

April 2018

## Parent Involvement Committee Welcomes Dr. Michael Ungar

Our Parent Involvement Committee is pleased to welcome Dr. Michael Ungar to NPSC. Dr. Ungar is the founder and Director of the Resilience Research Centre and is Canada's Research Chair in Child, Family and Community Resilience. Join us April 26, 2018, for an engaging presentation to learn practical strategies for parents, caregivers, and educators to help young people of all ages.

Thursday, April 26, 2018

Doors open at 5:30 pm, presentation at 6:00 pm

Where: St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Auditorium

RSVP at [www.npsc.ca](http://www.npsc.ca) or call 705 472 1201 X 2221

## Catholic Education Week May 6 - May 11

Catholic Education Week activities will take place the week of May 6- May 11, 2018. "Renewing the Promise." There are five sub-themes of Catholic Education Week:

Monday: Remembering the Promise

Tuesday: The Promise is Within You

Wednesday: Praying the Promise

Thursday: Living the Promise

Friday: Proclaiming the Promise

## Stations of the Cross

Please join us for Stations of the Cross on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in our gym.



## Visitor Sign-In

*To ensure the safety and security of our students, we ask all visitors to adhere to the sign-in protocol. Please stop by the office upon arrival and sign yourself into our **Visitor Registry Book**, don't forget to sign out on your departure.*

## Save the Dates

- Stations of the Cross – Holy Thursday – March 29
- Good Friday-March 30 – No School
- Easter Monday April 2 – No School
- Spring Picture Day – April 4
- PA Day April 16 – No School for students.
- CSAC Student Past Lunch-April 18
- Earth Day April 22
- Keynote presentation from Dr. Michael Ungar April 26
- Catholic Education Week - May 6—May 11
- Carousel May 16

# Save the Date: Carousel Evening

**Theme: Opening the Doors**

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

Keynote Speaker: Leslie Andrews

Registration: 5:00pm

Welcome and keynote address: 5:45pm

Workshops: 7:30pm

Location: St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Auditorium



Brought to you by NPSC Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) and Parent Involvement Committee (PIC).



If you have a child who will be 4 years old by December 31, 2018, we would like to invite you to an orientation on May 7 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for your child who will be coming to school in September. Please watch for more details to following.

## Lenten Project

We have been collecting tooth brushes, floss, etc. for the North Bay Food Bank as our Lenten Project. Thank you for your generosity for all your support.

## Reminders

St Alexander School is on Facebook! Look for us at St Alexander School.

Raz Kids is an online reading program. All students have an account. Students are able to read leveled books at home and school. Please contact Mrs. Larmer for further information.

St Alexander school continues to collect pop tabs in support of the Shriner's wheelchair program.

April 2nd is "Light it up Blue" for Autism awareness day.



## Together In Faith

The Ontario Catholic School Trustee Association (OCSTA) has launched a campaign to strengthen the support for Catholic Education in Ontario, called *Together in Faith*. NPSC invites you to learn more about this campaign at [www.togetherinfaith.ca](http://www.togetherinfaith.ca) and consider signing your name to show your support.

## Catholic School Advisory Council

Our next Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

## CSAC Student Pasta Lunch

Our CSAC (Parent Council) will be serving a pasta lunch for our students on April 18<sup>th</sup>.



## Earth Day 2018

Earth Day is Saturday, April 22. To coincide with school activities this week, you are welcome to participate at home! Environmentally friendly practices such as turning off the lights when leaving the room, recycling paper and bottles, turning off the tap when brushing your teeth, all add up to make a big difference.

## EQAO Testing

Students in grade 3, 6 and 9 will be writing EQAO Assessments starting on May 22 in reading, writing and math. Please watch for further details.

## Dressing For Spring Weather

Now that the days are warming up, the playgrounds have become very wet. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the cool, damp weather. A jacket, splash pants and rubber boots are strongly recommended. It is also a good idea to pack an extra pair of dry pants and socks at this wet and muddy time of year.



## Virtue of the Month

Each month we focus on a specific Catholic virtue. The virtue for the month of April is Honesty. Please watch for more details regarding our Virtue Celebration.

## Allergies

A friendly reminder, that there are children in our school with severe, life threatening allergies to peanuts and nuts. We maintain a peanut and nut aware school community, peanut and nut products are not permitted.

## Medication

We cannot dispense medication to a student unless it is prescribed by a physician. If your child requires medication during the school year, please have your physician complete the "Request for Administration of Oral Medication" form that has been sent home with your child and you can obtain one at the office any time. All medication must be kept at the office with written instructions.

