



St. Angela Merici Catholic School

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Friendly Friday Update # 8: Oct. 28th - Nov. 1st



St. Teresa of Avila

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes with which He Looks Compassion on this world.
Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good.
Yours are the hands with which He blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands,
Yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes,
You are His body.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours. Amen.

Week at a Glance

Monday 28th	Tuesday 29th	Wednesday 30th	Thursday 31st	Friday 1st
<i>First Mary Browns Hot Lunch, Term One</i>	Picture Retakes, Morning only	Happy Wednesday	<i>Spooktacular Dance-a-thon</i>	<i>All Saints Day</i>

Looking Ahead:

- **November 3rd - 9th: National Treaties Awareness Week**
- **November 4th - Gr. 7 Trip to Kortright Centre**
- **November 11th - Remembrance Day Liturgy, 10:40 am**
- **November 12th - Progress Reports available to parents, 4 pm**
- **November 14th - Parent-Teacher Interviews, Evening**
- **November 15th - Parent-Teacher interviews, Morning only**
- **November 18th - 22nd - Friendship Week/Bullying Prevention Week**
- **November 18th - Coby the Magician - Anti Bullying Presentations, Morning**
- **November 28th - SAM Annual Christmas Market**

Safe and Caring School Environments

Late arrivals - Now that we are well into the new school year, ALL students are encouraged to arrive on time, entering the school with their class following the entry bell at 8:50 am. We respectfully remind our community not to park or idle in our bus route, entry or exit. **Absolutely no parking or drop off in our bus loop.** This area is for buses and emergency vehicles. If your child is late, we ask that you please use the Kiss and Ride, Parking Lot or permitted sections on the street to park and walk students safely to the front doors. All students arriving after the entry bell need to be signed in by their parents/guardians. **Parents/guardians must come into the office to sign in ALL students arriving after the 8:50 am bell.**

Early Dismissals: While we appreciate there are times when students need to be picked up, to prevent disruption to classroom instruction/learning, we kindly ask that requests for early dismissals are in line with the scheduled breaks in the day, recesses and lunch. Please see the daily schedule found on our school website [SAM School Schedule](#)

Safe and Caring School Environments

Friendship Week/Bullying Awareness/Prevention Week - While YCDSB schools engage in bullying awareness and prevention every week of the school year, we recognize this time as a valuable opportunity to raise awareness among parents and the local community. **November 18 to 22, 2024** is designated as Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week in Ontario this year.

Mark your calendars, **SAM Friendship Week** is November 18th - 22nd. Please see the attachment for theme days and activities planned throughout this special week aimed to celebrate friendships and put an end to all bullying.

SAM Spirit Wear: New Logos, New Designs and New Colour options! Check out our new St. Angela Merici CES Spirit Wear Store offering a wide selection of clothing and accessory items. With the same flexibility of placing orders throughout the school year and knowing that deliveries will be made directly to the school, Parents/Guardians have the option of purchasing items with our new St. Angela Merici Knights logo or our Limited Edition 25th Anniversary design. Students will be permitted to wear all Spirit Wear purchased, including the Limited Edition 25th Anniversary items offered in Grey. Use the link to start shopping today: [SAM Spirit Wear Store 2024 - 2025](#)

Catholic School Council Update

Our next St. Angela Merici CES Catholic School Council meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, November 21st at 6:45 pm**. All parents and guardians are always welcome to attend.

Continuous Improvement of Student Learning / Achievement

EQAO Update: The results from the Grade 3 and Grade 6 Spring 2024 EQAO assessments have been released, Please find a summary of our school results attached.

Mathematics Learning and Discussions

The YCDSB Curriculum and Assessment Department has created the third of an ongoing bi-annual newsletter for families highlighting resources, tips, and activities that can be used at home to promote mathematics learning and facilitate mathematics discussions between students and parents/guardians.

Please see the attached pamphlets: [one for families of elementary school students](#)

Treaties Awareness Week: occurs annually during the first week of November. It was introduced in 2016 to honor the importance of treaties and to help Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and relationships. Ontario is covered by 46 treaties and other agreements. Every Ontarian is a treaty person.

Integration of Our Catholic Faith

October's Virtue of the Month: **Compassion**

The next opportunity to join in prayer will be **Monday, November 11th for a Remembrance Day Liturgy.**

This Year's 2024-25 Catholic Education week will take place from **May 5 to 9, 2025.**