



St. Angela Merici Catholic School

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Friendly Friday Update # 9: Nov.. 4th - Nov. 8th



All Saints/All Souls Day

God of wisdom,

On All Saints Day we celebrate the holy women and men of every time and place. We give thanks for the beautiful examples set by the lives of the saints, our travel companions in joy and suffering.

We find comfort in recognizing that saints are people who do ordinary things extraordinarily. We pray for the courage and the willingness to follow in the footsteps of the saints, today and every day. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Week at a Glance

Monday 4th	Tuesday 5th	Wednesday 6th	Thursday 7th	Friday 8th
Grade 7 Trip to Kortright Centre	Happy Tuesday	Interview Request Forms due to teachers	STREAM Centre Trip, Gr. 2, Ms. Pacheco's class	Interview Scheduling Process, 9:15 am

Looking Ahead:

- November 3rd - 9th: National Treaties Awareness Week
- 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 19th - Crawford Lake Trip, Gr. 3-4
- 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 - **November 18 to 22, 2024** is designated as Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week in Ontario this year.

SAM Friendship Week is November 18th - 22nd. St. Angela Merici Staff and students will welcome Coby the Magician to open this week with his dynamic Anti-bullying Presentation. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the 2 Anti-Bully Magic Show presentations:

9:00 am - K's to 3 - Sharing & Caring with Verbal and Physical Bullying

10:30 am - Gr. 4 to Gr. 8 - Verbal, Physical & Cyber Bullying

Please see the attachments for more information on Coby the Magician and the content of his presentation, as well as, a poster with theme days and activities planned throughout this special week. Together, let's 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

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: Justice

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**.