

ST. NICHOLAS CES WEEK AT A GLANCE



Virtue of the Month

This month we are focusing on the virtue of courage. Courage means to stand up for what is right, facing fears, challenges, and difficulties with resilience. It's about striving to reach your potential and not giving up even when the road is tough. As we continue to celebrate the Catholic virtues, we invite our students to reflect on and practice courage throughout the month. At the end of every month, students from each class will be awarded a Virtue Certificate for

demonstrating and living out that month's virtue.

Catholic Education Week Theme - 'Pilgrims of Hope'



A Jubilee in the Catholic Church is a special year of grace, marked by religious celebrations, pilgrimages, and acts of penance. During this time, Catholics are encouraged to seek spiritual renewal and receive special indulgences. The Jubilee in 2025, which will be ushered in on Christmas Eve, 2024, will be a significant event calling Catholics to focus on spiritual renewal, pilgrimage, and penance. In Pope Francis's Papal Bull "Spes Non Confudit," (Hope Does Not Disappoint,) he also calls on each one of us to be "tangible signs of hope for those of

our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind." The Vatican's guiding document emphasizes the theme "Pilgrims of Hope," encouraging the faithful to embark on a journey of spiritual transformation and community solidarity. This year-long event includes religious ceremonies, special indulgences, and acts of charity, aiming to deepen the connection with God and promote peace and reconciliation.



Sports

Tryouts are underway, and the North Stars have been hard at work training for various sports. A big thank you to Ms. Plati, Mr. Carniel, Ms. Tatangelo, Ms. De Angelis, Ms. Falcao, Ms. Macaluso

and Ms. Colacicco for their dedication in preparing our students for the upcoming tournaments. Your time and effort are greatly appreciated.



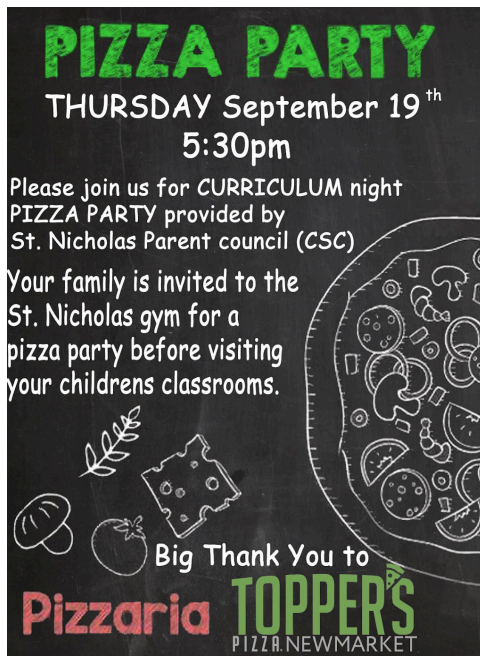
SNS Terry Fox Run/Walk

Terry Fox was a true Canadian hero who showed remarkable courage. On Thursday, September 26, 2024, we will honour his life and legacy by participating in our Annual Terry Fox Run/Walk, also known as the **Marathon of Hope**. Along with thousands of schools across Canada

fundraising throughout September for Cancer research, we are proud to continue Terry's dream. Our goal this year is to raise \$2000. If we reach it, Principal Sanders and the teachers have agreed to get a pie in the face!

Please support our fundraising efforts by donating either on [School-Day](#) or visiting <https://schools.terryfox.ca/StNicholasCSNewmarket> to make a donation on behalf of our school.

Rain date: Monday, September 30th, 2024



St. Nicholas Pizza Party and Meet the Teacher Night

We look forward to meeting our families at our Meet the Teacher Night Thursday, September 19, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dinner will be served by our Catholic School Council from 5:30-6:30 pm. From 6:30-7:30 pm parents/guardians will have an opportunity to meet their child's teacher in the classroom. Hope to see you all there. **St. Nicholas Pizza Party and Open House**



Safety Reminder: Door Etiquette

We prioritize the safety of our students and staff at St. Nicholas. We kindly ask parents to remind their children about the importance of not opening doors for anyone during school hours. If someone is knocking, students should alert a staff member rather than letting anyone in themselves. This is an important step in keeping our school safe and secure for everyone. Thank you for your support in reinforcing this message with your child.



Parent-Teacher Communication

At St. Nicholas, we believe that open communication between home and school is key to ensuring a positive and successful year for your child. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's progress or experience in the classroom, we encourage you to reach out directly to their teacher. Keeping these lines of communication open will help clarify any uncertainties and strengthen the partnership we share in supporting your child's growth and success. Please ensure that we have updated contact information on file such as a valid phone number and email address. **Together**, we can provide the best environment for your child to thrive.

Dates to Remember:

Sept. 19 - Meet the Teacher Night
Sept. 24 - Fr. Carlos school visit
Sept. 25 - Rowan's Law (wear purple)
Sept. 25 - 2023/24 CSC Final Meeting at 6pm; Elections and formation of new CSC at 6:30 pm in the school library
Sept. 26 - Terry Fox Run - students are encouraged to wear white and red
Sept. 27 - PA Day
Sept. 30 - Orange Shirt Day
Oct. 1 - Cross Country Meet
Oct. 2 - Picture Day

Wishing you all a great week ahead.