

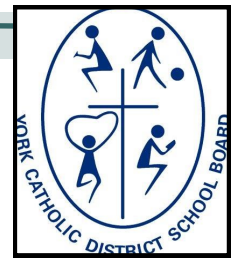


# Sir Richard W. Scott Catholic Elementary School

90 Roxbury Street,  
Markham, ON  
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**Catholic Virtue: Compassion**



October 2022

### School Hours:

9:00 a.m. –School starts  
10:20—10:35am recess  
11:55 -12:15pm Lunch  
12:15—12:35pm recess  
2:20—2:35 pm recess  
3:30 pm—Dismissal

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### Trustee:

Frank S.D. Alexander

### Superintendent:

Jennifer Sarna

### Pastor:

Fr. Rick Davis

### Principal:

Catherine Donovan

### Secretary:

Margaret Armstrong

### Office Support Worker:

Ava McBlain

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### SAFE ARRIVAL HOTLINE

(call before 9:00 am)

**1-855-856-7862**

**or call the school**

### SCHOOL BUS

### INFO:

[schoolbuscity.com](http://schoolbuscity.com)

Dear Parents/Guardians:

During this time of Thanksgiving, I would like to express heartfelt thanks to the wonderful staff at Sir Richard W. Scott Catholic School. They inspire, encourage, and teach our children to be kind, compassionate, responsible, resilient, and informed individuals, who think critically about the information they are presented with, and who persevere in the face of challenges. I am also extremely grateful for the time the staff devotes to organizing and supervising extra-curricular activities for the children. The Cross Country Team is looking forward to their Meet at Bruce's Mills this month and Volleyball and the Glee Club will soon be starting up!

I would also like to show gratitude for our amazing support Catholic School Council and our generous Parent Community. Our Welcome Back BBQ afforded us the opportunity to connect as a school community and to have some fun together! A HUGE thank-you to the CSC for all their efforts with organizing this worthwhile event.

I believe that the success of our school is built on a foundation of mutual respect and inclusiveness, where everyone is committed to living out our Gospel Values. Our dedicated staff work together to cultivate a culture of equity, love and caring; with the important goal of providing a safe and supportive learning environment for our students.

I am thankful that Sir Richard W. Scott Catholic School continues to strive for excellence in each and every classroom, continues to grow stronger by our diversity, and continues to foster a positive school climate where collaboration and open communication are key. On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank you for your continued support of our school and I wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving!

### Key Dates:

- Oct. 1-31: Halloween Dance-a-Thon School Fundraiser (refer to package sent home)
- Oct. 3-7: Thanksgiving Food Drive & Safety Week
- Oct. 5: Cross Country Meet @ Bruce's Mills (Grades 4-8)
- Oct. 6: CSC meeting in the library @ 6:45 p.m.
- Oct. 7: Covenant House presentation for Grades 7-8
- Oct. 11: Thanksgiving School Mass @ 2:15 p.m. (all families welcome to attend)
- **Oct. 18: School Picture Day**
- Oct. 24: School Dental Screening
- Oct. 31: Halloween Dance-a-Thon (dance with DJ in the school gym!)

-Ms. C. Donovan, Principal

Contact: [catherine.donovan@ycdsb.ca](mailto:catherine.donovan@ycdsb.ca)



# Multi-Year Strategic Plan

### 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

Excellence    Equity

Fiscal Responsibility    Catholicity    Inclusion

Integrity    Respect

### Strategic Commitments

Integration of Our Catholic Faith    Continuous Improvement of Student Achievement

Effective Use of Our Resources    Engaging Our Communities

## SRWS Catholic School Council (CSC)



### First Catholic School Council Meeting Rescheduled:

- October 6, 2022 at 6:45 p.m. in the school library
- Going forward, meetings will likely be held virtually

## Sharing the Faith

Blessed Frederic Ozanam Parish is excited to announce that they will be having a Dinner/Dance Gala on October 15, 2022. Please be sure to check out the poster in the eBulletin (sent to you by the school) and take advantage of this exciting opportunity to reconnect with fellow parishioners and have a fun evening with great food! Please contact Josie Addorisio directly, at the church, regarding sacramental preparation for your child (First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation). **These programs are organized by the parish, NOT the school.**

Josie Addorisio  
Catechetical Coordinator  
289-554-0556 Ext. 7  
www.blessedoanam.ca



### National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the children who never returned home and Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process. Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual, family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of "Every Child Matters". The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations. Students were invited to wear something orange and they participated in presentations on this important day.

### School Visits:

Fr. Davis and the Parish team will begin monthly school visits to all classes!

### Thanksgiving School Mass:

October 11 @ 2:15 p.m. in the school gym  
\*All families welcome to attend

## The Village Childcare (Before & After Care)



If you require before and after care for your child, please contact, **Sukanya Sivasuthan**, for more information: [sirrichardscott@thevillagechildcare.ca](mailto:sirrichardscott@thevillagechildcare.ca)  
The Village Childcare program operates out of the school from: 7:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. –6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Terry Fox Run Update



Thank you for supporting our Terry Fox Run Event. We are pleased to report that our school community raised \$4190, far surpassing what we raised for the Cancer Foundation last year!!! We know the funds will be put to good use to find a cure for all types of Cancer.

## Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our school will once again be partnering with the Markham Food Bank to assist families in need during this season of gratitude for all of God's blessings. We will be participating in a Thanksgiving Fall Food Drive during the week of October 3-7th, 2022. Currently all Food Bank and Food Pantries across York Region are supporting thousands of families per month. Donations of all types of food and/or toiletries items are greatly needed. Your generosity during this time of year will ensure that families will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving as well as Christmas with a sense of hope for better tomorrows. **Donation bins will be set up inside the main entrance of school where students can bring their donated items during the week of October 3-7.** Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

