



## *St. Thomas Aquinas CES*

### *Week at a Glance: March 17-21*

*Live with Love!*

*Learn with Joy!*

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#### **Greetings St. Thomas Aquinas Community,**

Welcome Back! I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable March Break with family and friends. March continues with a focus on the virtue of Perseverance. The focus for this virtue is:

- ❖ I will continue to trust in God's plan for me.
- ❖ I will stick to the goals I have set for myself.
- ❖ I will be patient.

**Hot Lunch Session March to June:** The next session of the Hot Lunch Program begins this week and continues until June 20. **All orders are due by Monday March 17, 2025**. Payments can be made online through the School Day app or cash or cheque (made payable to St. Thomas Aquinas). Please call the school if you have any questions.

**Family Literacy Night:** STA and CSC will be hosting a Family Literacy Night for all families. Families will be engaged in various interactive literacy centers throughout the evening. The evening will be filled with free resources, fun activities, special guest readers and information on promoting literacy at home. Family Literacy Night will be held on Thursday March 27 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the school. [Family Literacy Night Flyer](#)

**CSC Spring Fundraiser:** CSC is hosting a Krispy Kreme and Vandermeer Nursery Fundraiser. Krispy Kreme orders are due to the office by Monday March 17 and Vandermeer Nursery Orders are due by Wednesday March 26. All orders will be available for pick up on Tuesday April 8 at the school. [Krispy Kreme Flyer](#) [Vandermeer Nursery Flyer](#)

**Active School Travel Newsletter:** Please see the attached YCDSB Active School Travel March Newsletter highlighting important bus safety information. [AST March Newsletter](#)

**Luke 4:18 Symposium Collection:** Students from the Luke 4:18 committee will be participating in a Social Justice Symposium in May. As part of their participation at this symposium, Health Kits to support Canadian Food for Children will be assembled. The STA Luke 4:18 students are collecting donations of boxes of bandaids for their part in collecting items for these Health Kits. All donations can be dropped off at the front office.

**Grade 6 Composite Photo Day Rescheduled Date:** The Grade 6 Composite Photo Day has been rescheduled to Thursday March 27.

**Eric Walters Author Visit:** On Friday April 4, STA welcomes Eric Walters to the school. Eric Walters is the author of over 130 novels and picture books. He has won over one hundred awards including the Governor General's Award for Literature for Young People. Eric Walters will be presenting to all students as he highlights the research and creativity process that goes into creating a novel or picture book. [Author Eric Walters Visit](#)

**EQAO Webinar for Parents and Guardians:** Register for this free live webinar and learn about EQAO's Primary and Junior Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. Participants will learn about the purpose of Ontario's large-scale assessments. EQAO staff will explain the assessment format, highlight resources to support students and answer questions from participants. The session is approximately 45 minutes, followed by a live Q&A with EQAO staff. Click [here](#) for registration

Choose one of the following webinar dates:

- April 10, 2025 @ 6:00 pm
- April 15, 2025 @ 12:00 pm

**Parish News:** For Our Lady of the Lake Parish news. [OLL Parish](#)

### **Upcoming Dates:**

March 17: St. Patrick's Day

-Hot Lunch Orders Due

-Krispy Kreme Orders Due

March 20: CSC Meeting at 6:30 pm in the library

March 24: Junior Dance Workshops begin

March 25: FDK Willowgrove Trip

-Hockey Team Practice #5

March 26: Grade 5 Trip to Casa Loma & Queen's Park

March 27: Grade 6 Composite Photos

-Family Literacy Evening

March 28: Lenten Mass at OLL Parish

**Have a great week,**

*F. Rossy*

**Principal**