

Greetings St. Thomas Aquinas Community,

At YCDSB and St. Thomas Aquinas CES, we focus on different virtues each month which reflect the values and teachings of Jesus Christ. The Virtue for the month of September is Courage.

The focus for this virtue is;

- ❖ I will stand up for what I know is right and just
- ❖ I will face challenges, fears and difficulties with fortitude.
- ❖ I will take responsibility for reaching my potential

Open House: The Open House will take place on Thursday September 18, 2025.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are welcome to visit their child(ren) classrooms from **6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** This is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and become informed of grade and curriculum expectations and classroom routines and expectations.

Catholic School Council Meeting & Elections: If you would like to put your name forward and become a voting member on CSC, please call the school office at 905.476-7784 for an election form (please see attached). It may be sent home with your child, or you may choose to pick up a package in the main office. *A form must be completed if you wish to be a voting member of the 2025/26 CSC and returned to the school by Tuesday September 23, 2025. Once the 2025/26 CSC has been formed, the positions of Chair, Treasurer & Secretary will be chosen at the first meeting. Please review the attached CSC Constitution for more information.* Successful candidates will hold their elected position for a term of one year and will be expected to attend the regular meetings. [CSC Constitution](#) [CSC Election Form](#)

Deadline for submission of nomination forms: Tuesday September 23, 2025.

Election Day: Wednesday September 24, 2025 (6:30 pm)

First council meeting: Wednesday September 24, 2025 (6:30 pm)

Hot Lunch Program Term 1: The Hot Lunch program is now available for purchase. Ordering and payment can be made online through the SchoolDay Cashless system, or hard copy order forms with cash or cheque (made payable to St. Thomas Aquinas). The Hot Lunch Program will begin the Week of September 29, 2025. The Hot Lunch program is as follows:

- Tuesday: Subway (ordered online through LunchBox; please call the school for info on ordering)
- Wednesday: Nonna's Lakeside
- Thursday: Riveredge Restaurant
- Friday: Pizza Pizza (now offering Cheese and Pepperoni Slices)

All orders and payment are due by Thursday September 25, 2025.

School Photo Day: Our school photo day will take place on Wednesday September 24, 2025. We are pleased to have EDGE IMAGING as our photo provider this year. *Please note that sibling photos will not be taken on this day. These photos will be scheduled at a later date.* [Flyer](#)

Terry Fox Walk/Run: The annual Terry Fox Walk/Run will take place on Thursday September 25, 2025. Our school goal is \$1500.00. Donations can be made at the following link: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/StThomasAquinasSchoolKeswick>. Students and staff are invited to wear red and white or Terry Fox T-shirts on this day.

YCDSB Digital Tools Informed Notice: Please see the attached information sheet on the YCDSB Digital Tools Informed Notice Statement. [YCDSB Digital Tools Informed Notice](#)

Parish News: Communion Registration for students in Grade 2 and up is now open. Please see the attached information and registration form for further details. [First Holy Communion Information & Registration](#)

Please Note: Every Monday over the next few weeks, the landscaping company hired by the church will be completing their fall cleanup. As we continue the partnership with the church and the use of their parking lot area for drop off and pickup, please be mindful, when parking in the lot, of the workers, trucks and equipment when the company is working.

For parish news/updates please see the bulletin attached. [Sept 14 Bulletin](#)

Upcoming Dates:

September 18: Open House 6-7 pm
September 24: School Photo Day (NEW provider Edge Imaging)
September 24: CSC meeting & Elections in the library at 6:30 pm
September 25: Terry Fox Day
September 26: P.A. Day (no school)
September 29-October 3: Safety Week
September 30: National Day of Truth & Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)
October 1: Cross Country Meet at Bruce's Mill

Have a great week,

F. Rossy

Principal