



Resurrection

Catholic Elementary School

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OCTOBER 2025

Principal's Message

Our School year is officially off to a wonderful start here at Resurrection. Thank you for all your continued support over the last month, when I was absent and coming to Meet the Teacher night. We are very fortunate to have Mrs. McDermid with us to start our school year and guide our special education learners. This year, our Board theme is a continuation of Pilgrims of Hope: on the path to holiness. Three important gospel messages will guide our journey for the 2025-26 school year. God loves you!, Christ Saves you! The Holy Spirit lives within you! We will use this messaging and our Catholic Graduate Expectations to help guide our Catholic values and learnings.

Good and gracious God, we give You thanks today, as we do all days, first and foremost for the gift of creation and the gift of life. We ask You to bless this food, that it may nourish us and sustain us, and strengthen our ability to do Your will. We pray in thanksgiving for all the hands involved in bringing it to our table. May this meal and the fellowship we enjoy not only serve as clear reminders of Your love of us, but of Your call for us to share Your love and to serve our brothers and sisters, especially those most in need."

I hope you all have a wonderful restful Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Marcia DeDominicis
Principal

School Council 2025-2026

Our first council meeting was held on Wednesday, September 24th. Thank you to all who attended. As a result of the meeting, we now have the following parents in elected positions for 2025—2026 school year:

Co-Chair—Judy Butler & Krystina McNiven
Secretary—Kari Slade
Treasurer—Nora Blahut
School Representative—Shannon Milson



Co-ed Soccer Tournament—October 3

On Friday, October 3rd, our junior and senior co-ed soccer teams will participate in the Brantford A Division soccer tournament at John Wright field. Good luck to both teams! A huge thank you to coaches Miss Citino and Miss Jagus.

Junior team members: Titus, Aurora, Emmitt, Beulah, Liam, Kohen, Dillon, Holly, Landon, Jack, Oliver, Ophelia, Quinn, Kayla, Catherine, and Isaac.

Senior team members: Makenna, Katie, Emmy, Lincoln, Tenleigh, Collette, Natalina, Evelyn, Corwyn, Hudson, Alessia, Adriel, Ryan, Ethan and Yorgo.



World Teacher's Day—October 5

Thank you to all of our teacher's who put in countless hours for our students. We appreciate all of your hard work and dedication!



No School—October 7 & 13th

There will be no school on Tuesday, October 7th due to a P. A. Day and Monday, October 13th, school will be closed for Thanksgiving Day.



Parish Information



St. Pius X Parish Community
9 Waverly Street, Brantford
Pastor: Father Joe
519.753.8439
www.stpiusbrantford.ca



School Bell Times

First Bell.....8:45 am
First Break 10:25 am to 10:45 am
Lunch Break 12:45 pm to 1:05 pm
Dismissal Bell3:05 pm

Absent/Late Students

If your child will be absent or late for school please use the **SafeArrival** system, you no longer need to contact the school. You have 3 options to report an absence:

- download the **mobile app**;
- use the website:
(<https://home.schoolmessenger.ca>)
- Or call the toll free number:
1-844-445-4381

Resurrection Website

www.resurrectionbrantford.ca

There are many items you can find on the Resurrection website including:

School Newsletters & Calendars

Information on Events

School Bell Times



Board Website

www.bhncdsb.ca



Please view the Board's website for important information. The website includes calendars, Board policies and much other useful information.

Fresh from the Farm Fundraiser—Last Day October 17

We are well on our way with our *Fresh from the Farm* fundraiser. *Fresh from the Farm* provides a healthy fundraising alternative to schools by selling fresh Ontario grown fruit and vegetables. We are supporting Ontario farmers and our local economy. You can purchase a Vegetable Bundle (5 lb bag of white potatoes; 3 lb bag of sweet potatoes; 3 lb bag of yellow onions; 3 lb bag of carrots). Also available is the Apple Bundle which includes an 8 lb bag of Ambrosia apples. Products will arrive between November 3—December 4th, with an 10 day advance notice of our specific delivery date. Please sell to your friends & family to help us raise funds. The last day to order is **October 17**. Orders are placed directly on *Fresh from the Farm's* website by clicking the link below:



[Seller Profile – Fresh from the Farm | School Fundraising](#)

Fall Frenzy—Thursday, October 23

Our School Council is hosting the Fall Frenzy Family Fun Night on Thursday, October 23rd from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Come dressed in your costumes and get ready to play games, bid on items in the silent auction, and enjoy visiting with other families from the community. We will have food available for purchase. We hope you can make it! We are asking for donations for the themed class baskets. Please send in your donations no later than **Friday, October 17th**.



JK/SK	Halloween Theme (candy, decore, etc.)
Grade 1/2	Let's get Crafty! (art supplies, craft kits, etc.)
Grade 2/3	Christmas theme (wrapping paper, décor, etc.)
Grade 4/5	Family Fun Night (board games, snacks, etc.)
Grade 6/7	Try your Luck (scratch tickets of all kinds)
Grade 7/8	Gift Cards (any amount and any stores)

Picture Re-take Day—October 27th

On Monday, October 27th Edge Imaging will be back at our school to take picture re-takes (parents please let your child's teacher know if you want a re-take). They will also be taking class photos on this day.



Hallowe'en —October 31



Children are permitted to wear their costumes to school. Costumes must not conflict with our Catholic values. No blood, weapons or gore are to be worn at school. Violent accessories such as knives, guns, spears and swords are not permitted at school. Students will be going on a walk/parade around the neighbourhood (weather permitted). Masks can be worn during the parade as long as they don't obstruct a student's ability to see but they must be set aside for the remainder of the day. Costumes are to be modest and school appropriate. Following the parade, students will return to their rooms for Halloween themed learning activities and a party. This is an official treat day but please remember we are a nut safe school.

Pumpkin Carving Contest

On the morning of October 31st, families are invited to bring their carved pumpkin to the front of the school. Three tables will be set up and pumpkins will be separated into three categories: **Scary, Funny and Creative**. During the day, children will come to view the pumpkins and will choose their favourite in each category. The family that wins each category will get a \$25 grocery gift card. Please make sure the scary ones aren't too scary and are in alignment with our Catholic values. Please keep in mind our young audience—some being only 3 and 4 years old.



Peanut & Tree Nut Aware and Educated Zone



A reminder to all families that lunches may not contain any of the following ingredients: peanuts, peanut butter, tree nuts, other nuts (or any items made with these items or their oils). We have students and staff with anaphylaxis (a life-threatening allergic condition) who cannot be exposed to these food products. Please continue to vigilant in checking the ingredients list for processed foods (e.g. cereals, granolas). Many contain trace amounts of these ingredients—which could be fatal to our students. **A special thank you to all our families for working together in this endeavor.**

Contacting a Staff Member/ Leaving a Message

If you would like to speak with a staff member, please choose one of the following methods:

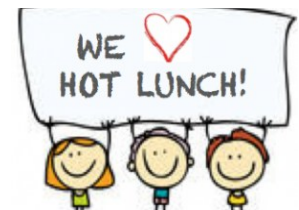
Write an e-mail asking the staff member to contact you.

Call the school phone number and if the teacher is not available, you may leave a message or your phone number to receive a return phone call.

Hot Lunch Orders

[SchoolCashOnline.com: Welcome](#)

Hot lunch orders (pizza, pasta, subs, etc.) are only available for purchase online through School Cash Online. This way we are helping the environment by using less paper and we are creating a safer school by having less money in the school.



Big Box of Cards Fundraiser—October 31

We're thrilled to kick off a fundraiser at our school—**The Big Box of Cards!** Our campaign will run from October 31st to November 21st. Each family will receive product video links, a free sample card and an order form. All orders will be placed directly on School Cash Online. We will be selling 4 different boxes:

- ♦ **All Occasion Box**—includes: thank you, congratulations, get well soon, new baby cards and many more to name a few.
- ♦ **Holiday Box**—includes a collection of Christmas cards
- ♦ **Birthday Box**—includes Happy Birthday cards
- ♦ **Candle Box**—includes 8 different fragrant soy candles

Thank you for supporting our students through this exciting initiative. Your participation makes a difference—and we hope you enjoy sharing these beautiful card sets with your friends and loved ones!



Rainy Day Procedures

On rainy or inclement weather mornings, please continue with the morning routine of entering the school through your designated doors. Kindergarten students will continue to enter through the side Kindergarten door and all other students will enter through their designated playground doors. Parents and students should refrain from entering through the main front doors. If you need your child, or a teacher, Mrs. Murphy or Mrs. DeDominicis will be glad to assist. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



Cutlery in Packed Lunches

We are seeing a lot of students asking the office for cutlery for their lunches. Unfortunately, the school does not provide this for student use. Please make sure your child has the necessary utensils packed in their lunch on a daily basis. Reuseable cutlery that can be left in their lunch bags is a good practice to use.



St. Pius X Parish News

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Confirmation

Our Confirmation program is open to students in grades 7 and above. Information on registration for Confirmation is now available on our website: <https://stpiusbrantford.ca/> under the sacraments tab. Registrations are now open and we kindly ask that registrations are completed by Friday, October 24th to be adequately prepared for Confirmation. If you have any questions regarding the sacraments, please contact St. Pius X Parish directly.



A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, on this day of Thanksgiving, we ask your blessings on our family, our friends, our home, our health, and on the food we are about to eat.

We thank you for this time together and the many gifts that you have given us.

Help us to remember in this time of bounty those less fortunate.

And may your love consume us all that we might share in your glory.

Amen

Police Clearance Checks

In accordance with Board Policy, if parents wish to accompany their children on an out-of-school excursion or volunteer in the school they **must** have a current clear Police Clearance Certificate.

Certificates are valid for 3 years as long as Declarations are provided. **Online AODA training also required.** Visit the school office for details.



Parking on Ravenwood Road

In order to ensure the safety of our children, parents/guardians are asked to **please obey traffic signs and to park on the street only where permitted.**

Please do not park in no parking zones. Parking in these zones causes visibility issues. Also, please do not park in the townhouse parking lot across the street.

Please ensure that you do not block the driveways of our neighbours as we have received some complaints in this regard in the past.



The parking lot is reserved for staff only. Please do not drive into the school lot at drop off and pick up times.

Dropping Off Items for Students

Our children sometimes forget things at home or in the car on their way to school. Items dropped off for students (forgotten lunch etc.) must be done so through our contactless drop-off bin. It is located within the front door of the school. Please buzz the office and Mrs. Murphy will give you further instructions. Once you leave your items, that student will be called down to retrieve it at the next scheduled nutritional break.



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October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Day 1	2 Day 2 Subway lunch 	3 Day 3 Co-ed Soccer Tournament 	4
5 Teacher Appreciation Day 	6 Day 4	7 P. A. Day 	8 Day 5 Pizza lunch  Grade 7/8 going to Brantwood Farms	9 Day 1 Pace's Pasta 	10 Day 2	11
12	13 Thanksgiving Day 	14 Day 3 Pizza lunch  Parent Council Meeting 6:30 pm	15 Day 4	16 Day 5 Lil Louie's Eats & Sweets lunch	17 Day 1 Last Day to place Fresh from the Farm orders 	18
19	20 Day 2	21 Day 3 Pizza lunch 	22 Day 4	23 Day 5 La Bottega lunch Fall Frenzy 5:30—7:00 pm 	24 Day 1	25
26	27 Day 2 Picture Re-take & Class Photos 	28 Day 3 Sr. Flag Football Tournament Pizza lunch 	29 Day 4	30 Day 5 Subway lunch 	31 Day 1 Halloween—Wear your costume 	