

Virtue of the Month: *Love*OCSGE of the Month: *I Care & I Have a Voice***School # 905-792-2251**

Principal: Mr. Birkenbergs

Secretary: Mrs. Gill

Superintendent:

Mr. Diogo

Trustee: Mr. Xaviour

School Parish:

St. John Fisher

Pastor: Fr. Liborio Amaral

School Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS: Parents/Guardians are reminded of the importance of consistent and regular punctuality and attendance for their children. **Please ensure you create a routine that allows for students to present and on-time at school each and every day!**

SCHOOL MESSENGER: Did you know that our School Messenger tool is a convenient, safe and secure tool that parents/guardians have access to for reporting student absences and receiving school communications? If you would like more information about this web-based program and app, please visit: <https://www3.dpcdsb.org/parents/absence-reporting>

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Our school will be closed on Good Friday (April 18) & Easter Monday (April 21). Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 22nd @ 9:00am.

*Happy Easter!***Personal Electronic Devices Reminders**

We are seeking the assistance and support of our parents/guardians regarding student use of personal electronic devices, specifically cell phones. **We want to remind our students and parents/guardians that cell phones are NOT permitted to be used anywhere on school grounds.** Students, unfortunately, are not always adhering to this policy, and it is causing disruption in our learning environments. **Parents/Guardians are asked to please review this information with their child(ren) to support our classrooms.**

Georges Vanier School Community Engagement Evening: Spring Market & Movie Night!

SAVE THE DATE! Our school will be hosting a **Community Engagement Evening** on **Friday, June 6th, 2025 beginning at 5:00pm.** The evening will include our first-ever Spring Market featuring local vendors and artisans. Then stay for our second annual outdoor movie night in our backyard! We look forward to a wonderful night! Stay tuned for more information!!!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026 IS UNDERWAY!

We are currently accepting registrations for Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year. Parents/Guardians are strongly encouraged to register early to ensure that we are aware of the number of students who will be attending our school next year. The registration process can be completed entirely online. Please visit: <https://www3.dpcdsb.org/schools/register-for-school/kindergarten-registration> for more information. Families who would prefer to register in-person at the school are asked to please call us at 905-792-2251 to make an appointment to register. Families needing before and after school care are asked to contact PLASP via: <https://www.plasp.com/>.

STUDENT PLACEMENTS FOR 2025-2026

Our school will shortly begin process of organizing classes for the 2025-2026 school year. If you are planning on moving out of our school area, or simply changing addresses within our boundaries, please let the office know as soon as possible. **If there are any special learning needs your child(ren) has, which you feel we should know when placing your son/daughter, please communicate this information in writing to Mr. Birkenbergs by April 29th, 2025.** Please comment only on the learning environment that best suits your child(ren). Regrettably, we cannot consider requests for specific placements (e.g., preferred teacher/peer group). School staff work hard to balance class lists by abilities, gender and learning style. Please bear in mind that combined classes will be a reality throughout the school. We are unable to accommodate requests for placement in a single-grade only classroom.

A Look Ahead – April 2025

Please note the dates of various upcoming events below.

April 7th to 11th – Scholastic Book Fair

April 9th – Intermediate Basketball Tourney / Rosary Apostolate Visit / Pastoral Visit

April 17th – Stations of the Cross Liturgy @ 1:15pm

April 18th – Good Friday

April 21st – Easter Monday

April 22nd – Earth Day Yard Clean-up

April 24th – Catholic School Council Meeting @ 6:00pm

