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# **Blessed Sacrament School**

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## June 2025 Newsletter

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"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given to us." Letter on the Jubilee Year of Hope, February 11, 2022

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

June is already upon us as we finish up another year at Blessed Sacrament. As a staff, we are both proud and encouraged about the learning that has gone on.

I would like to thank all those that support this growth, parent volunteers, members of the staff, the school council and the community. As well, to the parents and caregivers that continue to work with school staff to support our students. Without your efforts, school becomes a less dynamic, more challenging place for all.

As we begin the challenge of Focus that is the month of June, we ask, as much as possible, that we continue to maintain the routines that enable our students to persevere. As excitement for the end of the school year and so many other distractions creep into our lives, let us all use prayer to ask for help in holding our focus on where it needs to be. Keep pushing towards the end of a successful 2025-2026 school year.

Things to look forward to in June:

- 1. Hosting a school "Family Picnic Lunch" where families are invited to join us for a hotdog picnic in the playground on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 12pm. We also would like to open the invitation to our parents to join us at our End of the Year School Mass at 11am in the church.
- 2. Graduation on June 18th.

We are looking for people looking to become lunch monitors for the 2025/2026 school year. If you are interested or know someone that is interested please reach out to me directly and I can assist with the process.

And finally celebrating the end to yet another successful school year on June 26th.

M. Finochio





#### SOME DATES TO HIGHLIGHT -

check website

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- June 3—Rock & Rings Curling—Gr. 1– to Gr. 5
- June 4—Spirit wear day
- June 4—Have a Go
- June 5—Swim to survive—Gr. 7
- June 5—Year end school mass and Family BBQ after Mass
- June 6—PA Day
- June 9—Flag Football tourny
- June 10— Board meet Track & Field— Kwanis
- June 11—Spirit wear day
- June 12—Swim to Survive—Gr. 7
- June 13—Crazy Hair Day
- June 13-Gr. 3 swim to survive
- June 13—LunchBox –Subs
- June 15—Father's Day
- June 17—Swim to survive—Gr. 3
- June 17—Graduates breakfast church—9am
- June 18—Kinder , 1, 1/2,2/3—Circle Square Ranch
- June 18 -Grade 8 Graduation
- June 20—Swim to survive—Gr.3 & Gr.
   7
- June 20 LunchBox Chicken Fingers
- June 23—Term 2 Reports
- June 23—Play Day
- June 24—Gr. 4/5 & 3/4—Circle Square Ranch
- June 25—Kinder-Gr. 3—Splash pad
- June 25—Gr. 6, 6/7 & Mackay 7's—Yr End trip Niagara
- June 25—Gr. 5—Longwood conservation
- June 26—Canada Day gear wear red/white/
- June 27—PA Day



### The Month of the Sacred Heart

Father, we rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the heart of Jesus your Son. Open our hearts to share his life and continue to bless us with his love. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

#### EARLY DISMISSAL

Emails to your child's teacher about an early dismissal or change to bussing/pick up arrangements cannot always be read in time. To ensure the details are acknowledged, please copy the secretary on those emails or call the school office no later than 2:20pm. NOTE: If calls come in after that time, it's more difficult to reach the class to ensure message reaches your child/ren Thank-you



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#### **GRADE 8 GRADUATION**

Please note: time has changed for Graduation:



Grade 8 Graduation will be held on Wednesday June 18th, starting with a liturgy in the church

at <u>5:30 pm</u> and a few words from Father. Followed up with Awards presentation, speeches and a final slideshow in the hall. School Council will also provide some liquid refreshments and a cake to celebrate the students completion of Elementary School.

#### REPORT CARDS

End of the year report cards will go home on Monday, June 23rd, 2025—ELECTRONICALLY





#### FROM THE LIBRARIAN'S DESK

The library will be stopping formal visits. ALL LIBRARY BOOKS DUE BACK BY:

#### THURSDAY JUNE 5th LATEST!!

(Library will then be closed for year end duties & inventory)

Please return all library books before this date in order to ensure that the books will be available next school year for the children to enjoy. Please double check your home for any outstanding school library books and send those back as well. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter and have a fun and safe summer!

Ms. Rundstedler, Library Technician



#### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

We have already got off to a great start with our new Junior and Senior Kindergarten registrations for the 2025-2026 school year.

Kindergarten registration can be done on line

– please visit

<u>https://www1.bhncdsb.ca/register2/</u>

If you know of any parents with Kindergarten age children, please let them know to enroll or contact the school for a tour. Please contact Mrs. Konkiewicz if you have any questions about the on-line registration.



A very big thank you goes out to our lunch monitors Mrs. Sinclair, and Mrs. Nutbrown for helping keep our school yard and classroom safe and fun during nutritional breaks this year.

Also another big thank-you to Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Givens, Mrs. Tota & Mrs. Keresturi for helping out with the Food For Thought Program in the mornings.



#### **LUNCHBOX ORDER PROGRAM**

LunchBox Hot Lunches this month is: June 13th, & June 20th

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# FAMILY BBQ/PICNIC LUNCH

On June 5th after School Mass, our school staff & School Council, will be serving Hot Dogs to all students and their families to enjoy on the playground. Bring a blanket and enjoy a picnic lunch with your child/ren. The meal can be purchased on School Cash on line and will consist of a Hot

Dog, bag of chips and a bottle of water. The cost for everything will be \$6.00 per order. The Burford Optimist Club have donated their time and will be BBQing the Hot dogs.

Thank-you for continuing to support our students and our school.

#### LOOKING FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT

#### **School Snack Program**



The school is in need of a few volunteers to organize and keep the snack program running. These volunteers will work "Food food for thought for Thought" to ensure that stu-

dents receive a nutritious snack while at school 2-3 times per week. More information will come out in the new school year.

#### **Lunch Monitors**

We are looking for a few parents with some free time that enjoy working with students of all ages to ensure the safe play of all. This is a paid position through the School Board.

A valid police check is required so if you are thinking of this or any other volunteer opportunity here at the school, you may wish to contact the office to begin the necessary police check prior to the end of the school year.

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT VOLLEYBALL

On Monday May 13th, the boy's and girls' volleyball teams travelled to Assumption College for a tournament. Both the boy's and girl's teams played their best at the tournament and represented Blessed Sacrament with pride. A special thank you to Mrs. Marr and Mr. Moulton for practicing and coaching the students in the months leading up to the tournament. Both the boys and girls teams played very well.

#### **Vulnerable Sector Police Check**

Please be advised that board policy requires that all parent volunteers must have a police check done before volunteering at our school. This includes parents volunteering to chaperone on class trips.



The Vulnerable Sector Police Checks are now done electronically. Please call the school to provide the necessary information needed to complete the package. The school will email you a signed form that is required by you to upload onto the OPP website. Once the Vulnerable Sector Police Check has been completed by OPP, please download the police check and send it to the school in a sealed envelope or email it to the Principal's attention.

> The police check is good for 3yrs, however, year 2 & year 3, when the check is not required, the volunteer must sign the prescribed Offence Declaration (reach out to the school and one will be provided) in order to volunteer within our school. Please call the school to see if you are update.

If you do not have one at the time of the event (e.g. class trip), you will not be permitted to participate.

#### A.O.D.A. TRAINING

A Vulnerable Sector Police Check AND Completion of an Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities ACT (A.O.D.A.) training module are requirements of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for all volunteers.

#### **Lunch Monitor Needed**

We are looking for parents with some free time that enjoy working with students of all ages to ensure the safe play of all during our Nutrition breaks from 10:10 am to 10:50 am & 12:30 pm to 1:10 pm. These are a paid position through the School Board. Please call the school and speak with Mr. Finochio if you are interested.

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## SAFE ARRIVAL

Student Absence Reporting

To report your child's absence:



1-844-445-4381



go.schoolmessenger.ca \*



open the School Messenger APP \*

\* must have set up an account to use

#### IT'S HERE - SchoolMessenger Safe Arrival from BHNCDSB

One of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely to school every day. To improve our safe arrival process, **March** 31/25, we will add a new system that will make it easier for you to report – and respond to – school absences of your student. Good attendance is necessary for proper progress in school. Our students are expected to attend school every day, unless prevented by personal illness or family emergency. Vacations during the school year may not always be ideal; however; more often than not, they offer learning opportunities for children that they will not receive in a school setting. We would ask that the school be made aware of theses vacations in advance for attendance purposes and to allow for some discussion with the classroom teacher regarding missed work from the grade curriculum.

The new student absence reporting system will let you use a mobile app, a website, or an in-I teractive toll-free phone line to report an absence in advance as well as that day. This procedure is followed to ensure the safety of your child. Your cooperation saves numerous daily phone calls by the school. An information letter has been emailed. Please check your emails.

Students who arrive after the bell in the morning, should report directly to the office for an admit slip and then proceed to class

# Transportation Dept.



Moving over the summer? Let transportation know so that your new address is ready to receive services for September! If you are moving over the summer, please let transportation know what your new address is so that they can plan services for you for the new school year. Transportation staff are working over the summer months and are happy to process any changes at that time. The form is available at: https://stsbhn.ca/forms

Looking to accessing transportation details for September? Access to the transportation portal, available at: https://transinfobhn.ca/Login, will be opened to the public on August 15th, 2025. If services on the portal are not accurate or if you have questions, please contact transportation directly to discuss. Transportation can be reached by emailing transportation@stsbhn.ca or by calling 519-751-7532. Updates received and processed before August 28th at noon will be in effect for the first day of school.

Don't forget to check out the Chipmunk app this school year. The app is free and allows families to track the path of their bus and to be given notification when the bus is getting close to your assigned bus stop. More information on the app is available by visiting: https://stsbhn.ca/faqs

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September 2, 2025 - June 30, 2026

The County of Brant's After School Program provides children with an opportunity to participate in a variety of games, activities, sports, crafts and much more.

> **Time:** School Bell to 6:00 pm Days: Monday to Friday

Ages: School aged children (3-12 years) **Fee:** \$130 a month / \$1,300.00 fotal

Register June 9 @ 6:00 pm



Burford Community Centre
Blessed Sacrament School students only
Code: 7535

**Burford District Elementary School** Burford District Elementary students only

Code: 7534

**Cobblestone Elementary School** 

Cobblestone Elementary students only Code: 7536

Gaukel Memorial Community Centre

St. George-German School students only Code: 7542

Glen Morris Public School

Glen Morris Public School students only Code: 7537

Mt. Pleasant Community Centre

Mt. Pleasant School students only Code: 7538

Onondaga-Brant Public School

Onondaga-Brant Public School and St. Peter's School students only Code: 7539

Paris Central Public School

Paris Central Public School students only Code: 7540

**Scotland Community Centre** Oakland-Scotland Public School and Blessed Sacrament students only Code: 7541









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# **Blessed Sacrament School**

And the Award goes to.......MONTHLY RECOGNITIONS

#### Recognition

Kindergarten 1

Levi Givens

Kindergarten 2

Carter Clarke

**Gr. 1** 

Ellie Box

Gr.1/2

Chase Rice

Gr.2/3

**Emmett Paleczny** 

**Gr. 3** 

Andie Brown

Gr. 3/4

Sara Marques

Gr. 4/5

Waker Metz

Gr 5

★ Kiera Ozog

Gr. 6

Andrew Louch

Gr. 6/7

Elijah Nicolaou

Gr. 7/8

Rowan Coppaway

**French** 

Nadia Ratelband and Bristol Pitts

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#### The Holy Spirit

Kindergarten 1

Johnny Keczan

Kindergarten 2

Haley Balicki

Gr. 1

Haily Vissers

Gr.1/2

Athena Rouse

**★** Gr.2/3

k Leo Thoms

🗯 Gr. 3

Hailey Bonney

ጵ Gr. 3/4

Makenna Smith

☆ Gr. 4/5

🖈 Charlie Madill

★ Gr 5

k Everly Petrie

🜟 Gr. 6

🖈 Jace Szabo

Gr. 6/7

Ainslie Smith

Gr. 7/8

🖟 Daniel Risi

French

Matteo Mosca



Throughout the school year, at Blessed Sacrament, we have RIT and we have Spirit. Each month a particular trait will be highlighted.

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#### **★★** GRIT Awards for May:

Joshua DiMaddalena

Luke DeBlock

Sadie Pribeli

Kaia Field

Hunter Laurie

**Brock Pitts** 

Paislee Madill

Taylor Leroux

Barrett Vamos

Travis Gratton

Brinlee Durham

**Hudson Heltner** 

Marcos Montani



