

# St. Brother André School



Sept. 29th, 2025



## IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 30

Orange Shirt day

Oct 1

Billy Day-Wear your Blue!

Oct 2

Picture Day  
Gr.3 Swim to Survive-Mrs Boisvenue

Oct 3

Father Sebastian Gr.4-6 class visits

## LOOKING FORWARD

Oct 6

Jr. Cross Country Meet

Oct 8

Billy Day-Wear your Blue!

Oct 9

Thanksgiving Liturgy 9:15 in Gym

Oct 10

School closed

## Creator God,

Thank You for guiding us as we build a community where everyone feels they belong. Help us cherish each unique person and uplift one another with warmth and care. May our actions reflect Your love, uniting us as one family.

**Amen**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe that the end of September is just around the corner!

Thank you so much for supporting the Terry Fox Run last Friday! The students were very proud to participate in such an important cause!

## Around the School

### National Custodian Day

This Thursday is "National Custodian Day". Thank you Mr Campbell for providing us with a beautifully maintained school!

### World Teachers Day

This Saturday is "World Teacher Day". We are very fortunate to have such a dynamic and dedicated educators team at St. Brother Andre! Please take a minute to thank them this week.

### Picture Day

Picture Day is scheduled for this **Thursday Oct.2nd**. If you have chosen "Deny for Consent", your child will not be in the class photo, as they are circulated outside the school.

### Thanksgiving Liturgy

Our Thanksgiving liturgy will be on Thursday October 9 at 9:15 in the gym. All parents are welcome. Please note that **pictures/video taping will not be permitted** during the liturgy for privacy and confidentiality.

### Professional Development day/Thanksgiving

Please note that Friday October 10th the school is closed for students as it is a professional development day for staff. Also, Monday October 13th the school is closed for students and staff for Thanksgiving day.

### Parent Portal

The [Parent Portal](#) is your information hub for report cards, IEPs, photo permissions, permission for neighbourhood field trips and access to OCSB technology. It is important that your data is accurate and up to date.

Oct.13

School closed  
Thanksgiving

## Quick Links

St. Brother Andre

OCSB

CSPA

OSTA

## Parish Link

Annunciation of the Lord  
Parish

## Board Links

### Trustee

Joanne MacEwan

### Superintendent

Nicola Benton

### Parking Lot and Driveway

A reminder that the staff parking lot and driveway is closed Monday to Friday from 8:00-9:00 am and 2:30-3:30 pm. We also ask that you do not use the parking directly in front of the school, it is reserved for special transportation vans, staff and school board personnel. The driveway in front of the school is also reserved strictly for school bus and van transportation during school hours.

### Allergies/Medical Condition

Please be aware that there are students in our school with severe life threatening food allergies. Anaphylaxis is a medical condition that causes a severe reaction to specific foods and can be fatal. As a result our entire school is nut free. Classroom teachers will reach out if there are any restrictions for individual classes.

Please do not send birthday cakes/ cupcakes to school to celebrate birthdays. We appreciate the desire to make your child's birthday special but due to allergies we cannot allow outside food. We thank you in advance for helping to make our school a safe place for everyone.

### Transportation

School buses are provided by OSTA (Ottawa School Transportation Authority). For information on access to school buses, cancellations, and school bus policies, please check the [OSTA](#) website.

### Volunteer

All parents/guardians would like to participate as a volunteer for different school activities and field trips, must have been approved through the OCSB Volunteer Process Application including and include a current vulnerable sector check. Please see this link <https://www.ocsb.ca/contact/volunteers/> for more information.

### School Council

#### School Council Meeting

Our Parent Council's next meeting is Tuesday Oct.15 at 6pm in the Learning Commons. Please join us and see how you can contribute to our school community! Everyone is welcome!

### Other

#### **Catholic School Parents' Association (CSPA) - Special Events**

For a list of events please check out CSPA's Eventbrite Page

[Upcoming CSPA Events](#)

### Mental Health

[By Your Side – parent/caregiver resources to support mental health learning and well-being for every family.](#) **By Your Side** recognizes the expertise of parents and

caregivers and offers resources to support learning and strengthen mental health and well-being in every family.

**By Your Side** includes two new products: [a dedicated parent/caregiver learning hub for families.](#)

### Days of Significance

SEPT 30 [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#)

Sept. 30 [Orange Shirt Day](#)

October Monthly Theme: Building Bridges of [Understanding](#)

[Islamic History Month](#)

[Korean Heritage Month](#)

[Learning Disabilities Awareness Month](#)

[Canadian Autism Awareness Month](#)

Oct. 2 [National Custodial Workers Recognition Day](#)

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|  | Oct. 5 <a href="#">World Teachers' Day</a><br>Oct. 13 <a href="#">Thanksgiving</a> |
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