



J.J. O'Neill Catholic School



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Some Important Dates

Jan 29 Holy Cross Catholic High School transition visit with Grade 8s

Jan 31 PA day

Feb 11 School Mass 11AM in the gym-everyone welcome

Feb 12 Holy Cross Open House

Feb 13 Ms. Roth & Mr. Grimston Skating at the SPC

Feb 14 Grades 3-5 skating at the SPC

Feb 17 Family Day Holiday

Feb 19 Report Cards and Individual Education Plans go home

Feb 23 First Communion Enrolment Mass 10:30

Feb 25 Parent-Teacher Interview night

Feb 25 Shrove Tuesday

Feb 26 Ash Wednesday - School Mass 11AM in the gym-everyone welcome

Mar 2 Sr Boys Basketball at Holy Cross

Mar 3 Sr Girls Basketball at Holy Cross

Parent-Teacher Interviews - Feb 25

Communication with your child's classroom teacher should be ongoing throughout the school year. FreshGrade, Phone calls, notes in the agenda, and class newsletters are all great ways to keep in touch. Parents can request an interview at any time. However, around report card time it is convenient for many to dedicate an evening to interviews. If you would like some face to face time with school staff, please return a paper interview request form that was sent home on Thursday Jan 30th. The form was sent with the youngest/only children from each JJO family. If your form has gone missing give us a call at the office.

2019-2020 Yearbooks Ready for pre-order

The 2019-2020 Yearbook is currently underway! We have been working hard to capture all the wonderful things happening at J.J. O'Neill so we can turn it into a memory that students can take home with them. The yearbook will have full-colour pages dedicated to our classrooms, sports teams, clubs, and special events. Our cover will also be designed by one of our very own intermediate students!

We are now taking orders for the yearbook via School Cash Online. **Yearbooks are \$20.00 each.** Please have your orders in by the end of the day on **Friday, February 28th, 2020** to avoid disappointment. Extra copies will not be available. The yearbooks will be sent for print in April and will go home with our students in mid-June.

*** Please note *** Students may not be featured in the yearbook or the graduation composite if photo release was not granted in the forms sent home in September.

Click or cut and paste these links into your browser for Parish Information

www.stpatricksnapanee.ca

www.facebook.com/stpatsnapanee/

Catholic School Council...

Parent Council Update: Since October, parent council volunteers along with your support have raised \$3,632.83 from hot lunch's and Paul's Pizza lunch's. \$300 was raised at the Halloween Dance, \$900 was raised for the planter/wreath fundraiser, \$1850 was raised at the volleyball tournament.

The Elf Shop collected \$700 which was donated back to families in need, the Morning Star Mission and a \$100 donation to the Parish Hall Fundraising Campaign.

Thank you for your support in our events and our efforts to raise money for our children's school.

Questions/changes - Lunch Volunteers to contact are Melissa Dickson - Monday Deli Fritz Subs, Beth Casselman - Thursday Paul's Pizza and Michelle Chamberlain - Friday hot lunch. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to us, we welcome all volunteers.



Grade 8 parents are cordially invited to attend Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School's Grade 8 Parent Night! Wednesday, February 12th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

A presentation will be made by Holy Cross staff in the school cafeteria followed by an open house self guided tour of the school, classrooms, and facilities. Staff will be in attendance to answer any questions.

Do not miss this great chance to learn more first hand about the amazing opportunities available to students through the diverse and numerous offerings of Holy Cross courses, sports teams, and clubs.

TO VIEW A VIDEO on why Holy Cross is a great school click on the link below.

<https://vimeo.com/387824125>



JJ O'Neill Catholic School invites you to
 join our CAA Chuck-a-Puck fundraiser
Belleville SENS vs Syracuse Crunch
Sat, March 28 @ 7pm



Each ticket package includes a ticket at a reduced rate, 5 pucks to chuck
 and \$10 school donation for every ticket purchased, for \$31/ticket.
 (Regular Priced tickets are \$27.50!)

Tickets must be purchased through this link to go towards our school

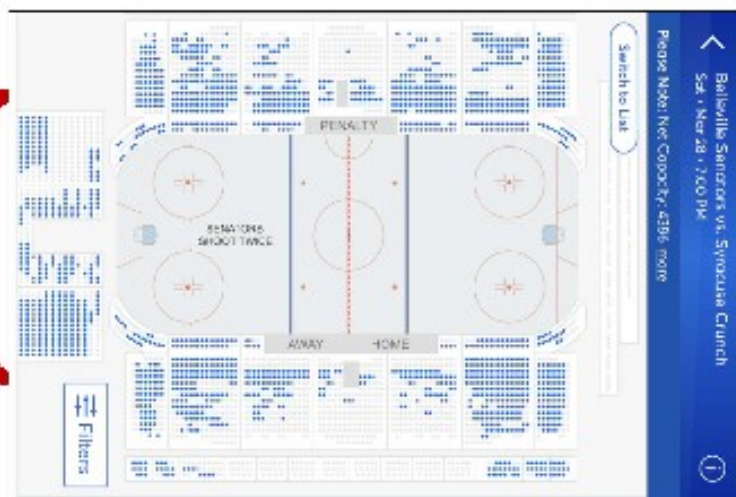
*** <https://fevo.me/caa-chuck-a-puck-mar-28> ***

JJ O'Neill Catholic School gets all funds raised from the sales of all the chuck-a-pucks. All money will go towards school sports equipment and technology all while enjoying a night cheering for the Belleville Sens.

Please SHARE! Help us sell as many tickets and pucks as possible.



JJ Fundraising
 Seats will be in
 sections 108, 109
 & 110 behind the
 opponent's net -
 North End of
 Building



Our Belleville Sens fundraising game is **Saturday, March 28, 2020**

As part of the program, we are responsible for purchasing/selling a minimum of 100 tickets to the game. To help us do this, they created a customized link for us to share throughout our network:

<https://fevo.me/caa-chuck-a-puck-mar-28>

Please share and buy & sell some tickets.

Personal Electronic Devices Reminder - School Code of Conduct

Cellular phones and other electronic devices must be powered off during regular school hours. These items are not necessary for the students' educational experience and students will have access to the school telephone in the event of an emergency. Our schools promote healthy, active living. Handheld electronic games will not be permitted on the school yard. In order to respect the privacy of our students and staff, students are not allowed to take photographs without permission from staff. Failure to comply could result in the item being confiscated and parents having to come to the school to pick them up.

Read more about our Code of Conduct on our website:

<https://www.alcddb.on.ca/School/jjon/About/code%20of%20conduct/Documents/Code%20of%20Conduct%20JJO%20STPE.pdf>

Eco-team

Send in
your used
batteries!



Our Eco-team has been busy collecting used batteries for the recycling challenge. The goal is to recycle an average of 1.36 kilograms for every student and staff enrolled at JJ O'Neill. 1.36 kilograms is what the average Canadian household accumulates in one year. So far, we have reached 65% of our pledge amount! If we can reach 100% by April 22nd (Earth Day), we will be eligible for a percentage of the prize money. Please help us reach our goal by collecting used batteries from your friends and family and sending them in!

Paid Supervisors!

We need regular and occasional help for lunchtime supervision! If you can help between 12:10 and 1:10 any day of the week please call the office!

Volunteers!

We love our volunteers! If you have some time during school hours to read with primary age students please call the office!

613 354 9500

School Information & Reminders...

Bus Loading Safety Zone - For student safety - As posted, only buses and staff vehicles may enter the parking lot area between 900Am and 920AM or between 3:10PM and 3:30PM as posted. Nothing is more important to us than the safety of your children.

Student Accident Insurance

The link to <http://www.insuremykids.com/en/Default.aspx> is in the drop-down list under the Parents/Community tab on the Board website.

Volunteers

To be eligible to help supervise a class trip or event, or volunteer in classrooms, adults must have a current vulnerable sector screening check on file at the school. These can take some time for the police to process, so please don't wait. Ask for the forms at the office or have your child bring one home. The screening is free for school volunteers.

Pediculosis (Head Lice)

It is important to check your children's hair for head lice and nits (eggs) as part of your weekly routine. If all families take the time to check and treat as required, it will minimize the number of cases. Also please remind children to avoid sharing combs, brushes or hats.

Safe Arrival & Departure

Students arriving or departing by personal motor vehicle during posted bus loading/unloading times can be dropped off on Simcoe St. to avoid congestion in the parking lot and bus loop. Parents may choose to walk with children to the school yard.

Need your High School Diploma?

Loyola School of Adult and Continuing Education offers many options to support you in achieving your goals including high school credit courses, an accredited Personal Support Worker program and English as a Second Language classes. If you are over 18 years old and ready to take the next step in achieving your future, visit our website for more information: www.learningatloyola.ca

Bus Delays & Cancellations

Search for notices or sign up to be notified by email if your bus is running late or has been cancelled at <http://triboard.ca/>

Unscheduled Student Pickup

The end of the school day is a very busy time. If you are picking up your child, please send a note to the classroom teacher or do your best to call the school in advance.

Attendance calls

Please leave a message with the office if your child will be absent from school.

Anaphylaxis - Nut free school

We currently have students in our school who have severe nut allergies. Do not send food items to school that contain nuts. Many foods contain peanuts or other nuts. These ingredients may not be obvious so it is very important to read labels. Even if the food is to be consumed only by your child.

Sharing Home Baked Goods

Occasionally, some classrooms have special events or celebrations, and parents are invited to send in food items to be shared. Food to be shared within the school community must be prepared in a commercial setting or our school kitchen and nut free. Unfortunately, for student safety, this means we may not bring in home baked goods to share with classmates. When bringing in a commercially produced item to share, such as a tray of squares from No Frills, be sure to consult with the classroom teacher well in advance.

Sacramental Preparation

Our Staff work with Fr. Marek and our Parish partners to prepare our students for First Communion/Reconciliation (usually in grade 2), and Confirmation (usually in grade 7). Children must have a Baptismal certificate on file at the Parish in order to receive the Sacraments. Please ensure that we have this by the end of September. Contact the school or Parish office if you wish your child to receive Baptism, or if you have any questions regarding your child's eligibility to receive the Sacraments. If your child has missed a Sacrament due to a residential move etc. please contact the Parish of school as well. The Rite of Christian initiation for adults may also be offered through the Parish.

Sign in & Out

Please remember to check in at the office when visiting the school. This is a safe schools policy.

SchoolCashOnline

Sign up through our website, for SchoolCashOnline to receive instant notifications when items become available for purchase like school excursions, hot lunches, milk, or school fundraisers. Cash is not accepted by teachers as a regular practice.

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