



# FATHER MICHAEL GOETZ CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

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APRIL NEWSLETTER

Greetings to the Goetz Community,

March was a month of growth, connection, and achievement. We are incredibly proud of our students' accomplishments, both academically and in their extracurricular pursuits. The month was marked by enthusiastic participation in various events, and we remain inspired by the resilience and energy of our school community. As we move forward, we also want to take a moment to wish our Muslim community a joyful and blessed Eid. May this special time bring peace, happiness, and prosperity to all! As we step into the month of April, we are reminded of the importance of love, compassion, and the beauty of new beginnings. April is not only the month of spring but also the month of love, where we celebrate the joy of God's love in our lives, guiding us toward kindness, unity, and peace. This month also brings with it a special time of reflection as we approach the end of our Lenten season. As we celebrate Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Faster, we reflect on the sacrifice and resurrection of

As we celebrate Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter, we reflect on the sacrifice and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May these holy days inspire us to grow in faith, hope, and love, and renew our commitment to living out the teachings of Christ in our daily lives.

As we approach the end of the first half of the semester, mid-term report cards will be emailed to your child's school email account on Monday, April 21st. These provide an opportunity to reflect on academic progress and set goals for the remainder of the term. We encourage all families to review these reports and continue to communicate with teachers, guidance counselors, or vice principals if there are any questions, concerns or need of support.

Our Grade 10 and previously eligible students will be writing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) during the week of April 7th. We offer our prayers and support to all students participating in this important assessment. May they approach it with confidence and trust in their abilities. Also, during this week, we look forward to participating in our monthly Spirit Day on April 9th where we come together as a school community to celebrate our school spirit in unity and joy. Let's show our Goetz pride! During Holy week, Student Council has organized many Easter Spirit Week activities for our student body. Our RAISE students will also be selling handmade blessed rosaries. These rosaries are crafted with care and are a powerful tool for prayer. On April 23rd, our RAISE students will be attending the annual Mississauga East Family of Schools Arts in ME event at Philip Pocock. This event highlights the artistic talents of our Special Needs students and fosters creativity within our school community. We are excited to celebrate the gifts that God has given our students.

On April 25th, we will be celebrating the rich cultures that make up our Father Michael Goetz community with our Goetz Around the World event. Students have been preparing their booths to showcase their unique cultures and traditions. This is a beautiful opportunity for our students to learn about each other, celebrate diversity, and grow in understanding and love for one another.

This month wraps up with our volleyball intramural tournament, where the victorious team will get the exciting chance to face off against our teachers in a buy-in game on April 29th. It promises to be a fun and lively event, uniting students and teachers in a friendly competition.

Thank you for your continued involvement and for being such an essential part of the Goetz community. As we journey through Lent and prepare for the joy of Easter, let us remain focused on our faith, our school, and our shared mission to foster each student's potential, both academically and in their mental and emotional well-being. Blessings to you and your families -Ms. Allegretto





## By honouring human dignity

Dear Lord,

We ask for your blessing as we journey as Pilgrims of Hope.
Guide our minds and fill our hearts with hope.
Nurture our relationships and help us to see each other as a brother or sister sharing the journey to your blessed kingdom.

May the flame of hope be enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit and reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

We ask all this in Jesus' name.

Amen

# TASTE INTERNATIONAL CUISINE APRIL 25TH 2025 TRAVEL THE WORLD WITHOUT LEAVING GOETZ! TRAVEL THE WORLD WITHOUT LEAVING GOETZ! FREE



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

APRIL 7 - APRIL 10 OSSLT TEST

WEDNESDAY APRIL 9TH SPIRIT WEAR DAY

APRIL 14 - APRIL 16
EASTER SPIRIT WEEK
RAISE ROSARIES INITIATIVE

FRIDAY, APRIL 18
GOOD FRIDAY (NO SCHOOL)

MONDAY, APRIL 21
EASTER MONDAY (NO SCHOOL)
REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23
ME ARTS EVENT - PHILLIP POCOCK C.S.S

FRIDAY, APRIL 25
GOETZ AROUND THE WORLD EVENT

TUESDAY, APRIL 29
VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT



Student mid-term report cards will be sent home via student email.



# **GOETZ VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**

Tuesday, April 29th -2:30-5:00pm



- 6-8 players per team (Co-Ed)
- \$2.00 entry fee per player
- 3 Goetz volleyball players per team (max)
- Winning team plays the teachers in a buy-out!
- Team Captain Pick up package and permission <u>froms</u> from Mrs. Macri in the PHE office.



# VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

