



# St. James Weekly Update

September 2 - 6, 2019

“Called To Be Our Story”

Week 1 of 20 - Term 1

## Week at a Glance

Monday, September 2, 2019
• LABOUR DAY - School Closed
Tuesday, September 3, 2019
• First Day of School - Welcome!
Wednesday, September 4, 2019
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Thursday, September 5, 2019
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Friday, September 6, 2019
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## Upcoming Dates

Wed., Sept. 11 -First CSCC meeting @ 6:30 p.m. in Learning Commons

Thurs., Sept. 19-WE Day

Thurs., Sept. 28-SJA Open House and Food Truck Extravaganza from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Fri., Sept. 27 -PA Day - No school for students.

Mon., Sept. 30 -Orange Shirt Day

## Additional Information

✓ I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone to St. James Catholic School. The small school with the BIG heart.

✓ Our First Day of School Procedures for students will be as follows:

**Year 1 Kindergarten (JK)** students will have a staggered entry. Letters were mailed to parents/guardians in July to inform parents of school visit date and the staggered start date.

**Year 2 Kindergarten (SK)** students will meet in the Kindergarten yard on the first day of school to be greeted by their classroom teacher and DECE.

**Grade 1-8** students will assemble in the gym once arriving at our school. Students are asked to line-up at the signs posted on the gym walls indicating the new grade number. Teachers will call students based on the class lists.

Please remember that all class placements are tentative until approximately the end of the third

week of school. This is when our School Board confirms staff numbers. Students may need to be relocated to a new classroom during that week.

- ✓ A reminder to all parents that the parking area at the front of our school continues to be closed during peak times, 9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any vehicle parked in the parking area during these times will have to remain in the parking area until it re-opens at 9:15 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.
- ✓ Students in Grades 1 to 8 will be provided with a school agenda. We are asking for donations of \$6.00 to help cover the cost of these agendas. Donation payments will be made through SchoolDay. Please wait for further information indicating when SchoolDay is ready to accept payment. Thank you.

## Special Intentions/Prayers

Please pray for all our new and returning staff, students, and families. May we be able to work together as a community to accomplish all the goals set before us this school year.

Loving and generous God,  
we praise you for the inspired stories of our faith, which speak to us of your love, mercy and wisdom. The sacred story of Jesus your Son—of his life, ministry, death and resurrection—inspires us and gives new meaning to our lives.

Help us to see our own stories, as individuals, as schools, and as a Simcoe Muskoka Catholic community, as part of the larger story of your love for all people, and for all of creation.

Give us the wisdom, the creativity, and the courage to live out our faith-story with joy and authenticity, to truly BE our story, so that our world may see you reflected in our words, choices and actions.

Together, may we celebrate the good news of Catholic education, and help to build up a world of justice, inclusion and peace.

May our love for you lead us to love those around us, and may your Spirit guide us more deeply into the life you call us to.

Glory and praise to you, Lord our God, now and forever. Amen

