



# St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic School

## Newsletter November 2024

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Our school feed is  
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### Remembrance Day Prayer

Help me to understand why:  
There is war instead of peace,  
There is hatred instead of love,  
There is lying in place of the truth.  
Give me the courage, strength and wisdom  
To teach others the meaning of  
Peace love and truth,  
So that we can make this world  
A better place for all to live in harmony.

AMEN

**REMEMBRANCE DAY LITURGY: Monday November 11 @ 10:50 am**

The month of November includes three important days:

### ALL SAINTS DAY, ALL SOULS DAY and REMEMBRANCE DAY

Friday November 1st—ALL SAINTS DAY!

Saints live among us today as well as with Christ in heaven. These heroes of our faith persevere in troubled times as they follow the path of Jesus. Their un-selfish actions, as well as their talents, skills, and virtuous living inspire us as they pray for us.

Saturday November 2nd—ALL SOULS DAY! On this day each year, the church observes All Souls Day. A day in which we remember friends and loved ones that live in eternal life. We will pray for all souls during our morning prayers over the P.A. System as well as in our individual classrooms throughout the month of November.

These days serve to remind us to pray for our saints, deceased friends and relatives and those who fought for peace. On November 11th at 10:50 am the school will present a Remembrance Day Liturgy for those who fought to help make our lives better. May God grant them eternal rest and peace.



Dear Parents and Guardians,

October has been a very busy month at St. Elizabeth Seton School. Thank you to everyone for your commitment and support to Catholic Education. We appreciate your generosity in giving graciously to our larger community through our food drive and various school fundraisers. We are pleased to see our community back in school as we celebrate liturgies and assemblies.

It was delightful to see our students participate in the many costumes for Halloween, it was a wonderful success and enjoyed by students and staff.

On November 11th, we honour our fallen soldiers, grandparents and relatives who gave their lives for their countries. We will be reflecting with all our students on this theme leading up to our Remembrance Day celebration at 10:50 a.m. on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Finally we should remember that this month we celebrate the virtue of "Conscience". We will teach students that a conscience is the voice of God within us that will guide us when we make all our decisions. We will be teaching our students that when we listen to His voice, God helps us to be good people. This month let us also remember all our loved ones who have gone before us.

M D'Souza

Principal, St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Elementary School

### November Virtue – Conscience

In the month of November we will celebrate the virtue of Conscience. A Person of **Conscience**...

- Chooses to do the 'right thing' and feel good about it
- Can see how his/her actions may hurt others
- Admits his/her wrong-doing and feels badly
- Says 'sorry' and tries to make up for mistakes
- Keeps promises

God has given us the ability to know the right and decent way to act and then to act that way. We trust that the common Spirit we share inspires us and guides us to make good decisions if we allow our conscience to be well-formed.

### Our Daily Prayer for November:

Let us pray for the grace and strength to be people of conscience-people who know the good and decent ways to act and then choose to act that way.

AMEN

*Therefore, I do my best always to have a clear conscience toward God and all people. (Acts 24: 16)*

### Parish Information:

#### MASS TIMES Weekends:

Sat.:5:00 p.m.

Sun.:8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.

**Weekdays:** 9:00a.m.

#### Pastoral Team

Fr. Joyson George, O.Carm Pastor



Fr. Joby O. Carm



### Treaty Recognition Week

Treaties Recognition Week is **November 3 – 9, 2024**. The goal is to promote and educate an awareness on the history and importance of Treaties and Treaty relationships. The week of November marks Treaties Recognition Week to recognize the importance of treaties and increase awareness of the treaty relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities in Ontario.



### Remembrance Day

On Monday November 11th, our students will come together in the gym to commemorate Remembrance Day by honouring Canadian & Global veterans and peacekeepers. The aim of our Catholic school community is to become more peaceful and to engage in peacekeeping activities that demonstrates respect and concern for others. We gather to honour those who dedicated their lives to ensure others are able to live a life that values freedom.

Poppies available in the front office, all donations go to Royal Canadian Legion

### Peel Public Health shares tips to help prevent the flu

It's flu season and we want to make sure students stay as healthy as possible. Getting the flu shot. Influenza (flu) spreads easily from one person to another and Peel Public Health has some tips to help reduce the risk of catching the flu and spreading it.

## PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE FLU

Besides getting vaccinated, the CDC recommends taking these steps:



■ **Avoid contact** with sick people.



■ If you have flu-like symptoms, **stay home** until 24 hours after the symptoms disappear.



■ Disinfect surfaces and **wash your hands** often with soap and water.



■ **Avoid touching** your eyes, nose and mouth, as germs spread faster that way.



■ **INSTEAD,** cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, then throw the tissue away.

### Get your annual flu shot

The flu shot is your best defense against the flu. The flu virus changes frequently so you need to get the vaccine every Fall. There are many locations across Peel where you can get your flu shots by appointment only:

- Family Doctors' offices
- Walk-in clinics
- Pharmacies

### Keep children home when they're sick

If your child develops flu-like signs and symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue), keep them home from school. Contact your health care provider if symptoms are severe.

### Practice good hygiene

Help your child get into the habit of covering their nose and mouth with a tissue when they cough or sneeze and throw tissues in the trash. Cough or sneeze into a sleeve or elbow, if they don't have a tissue. They should also avoid touching their eyes, nose or mouth. This is how germs are spread.

### Wash your hands

Encourage your child to wash their hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizer, especially after they cough or sneeze.

For more information, call Peel Public Health at 905-799-7700 or visit [www.peelregion.ca/flu](http://www.peelregion.ca/flu).

### Cold Weather Ahead

With winter right around the corner, it is important to remind your children to dress appropriately for outdoor activities. Under most circumstances, students will be sent outside for fresh air. The wearing of a warm coat, hat, gloves and boots will help to make outside activities more enjoyable.

### YFA & Thanksgiving Food Drive

Again, the St. Elizabeth Seton School community has shown its incredible spirit of generosity in supporting our Thanksgiving Food Drive for St. Vincent du Paul! Our Faith Ambassadors collected the food items from classrooms and organized the donations in boxes for pick-up. Your generosity showed a true appreciation of our community's needs. Thank you, students and families of St. Elizabeth Seton!

### St. Elizabeth Seton-an Eco friendly School

We challenge the St. Elizabeth Community to increase their physical activity. Let's all GET ACTIVE and participate in Motorless Mondays. Please choose to walk, bike or scooter to and from school. You are encouraged to get those extra steps in each day by walking around the neighbourhood, walking to the store, walking to the park and just 'walking for fun'. When we leave our vehicles at home we reduce air pollution, therefore benefiting the environment and we also promote healthy living by being more physically active. Again, this school

year we will work towards Eco-School certification. We are asking that all students use refillable water bottles, lunch boxes free of wrappers. The school no longer provides plastic cutlery for students as part of our reducing plastic usage at school. All students should bring a refillable water bottle to fill as needed.

### **Yard Supervision**

Please do not send your child/children to school before 8:30 a.m. Staff supervision of students begins at 8:30 a.m. To ensure your child's safety, we appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

### **St. Elizabeth Seton Arts Club**

We are offering students Gr 1 - Gr 3, the opportunity to participate in a arts club during the lunch break. We would appreciate donations for the following supplies: Paper plates, Paints, Wrapping paper, Pom poms, Clothes pegs, Glitter Q-Tip's, Ribbon, Paper and toilet paper rolls, Sponges.

The arts club will be run by Ms. Jean Marie and Ms. Sustar

### **Elementary Progress Report**

Progress report sent home

**November 12, 2024**

Reporting to parents:

**November 14, 2024** (as needed for particular students)

The Elementary Progress Report is designed to show a student's development of learning skills and work habits during the fall of this year, as well as a student's general progress in working towards the achievement of

curriculum expectations in all subjects. Please be aware that the Progress Report differs from a formal Provincial Report Card. Students will not be receiving letter grades indicating achievement of overall expectations.

### **Visitors to our School**

Parents/guardians are asked to book an appointment if you need to come into the school building.

### **Catholic School Council**

Happy November, Seton Family! I hope everyone had a fun and safe Halloween! We've got more exciting things happening in November.

Thank you to those who have responded to our survey looking for feedback this year. The responses are very helpful and the Council will be working hard to make the most of the 2024/2025 school year!

Pizza days continue on Tuesdays and Fridays. Thank you for continuing to support the school through our pizza lunch fundraisers, we're able to support a lot of school needs through our fundraising efforts.

A reminder that if you're looking for labels, we have an ongoing fundraiser set up with Mabel's Labels. To support Seton, please click the "Support A Campaign" and search for "St. Elizabeth Seton Mississauga". The school will receive 20% of your pre-tax/shipping total, with no additional cost to you. It's a simple way to support our school through regular purchases.





Our next meeting is Thursday,  
November 7 at 6pm. This will be our  
budget meeting for the year.  
God Bless

### **Seton Spirit Wear**

Attention Wildcats, we are here with  
EXCITING news!! We're thrilled to  
announce that our school will be selling  
newly designed Spirit Wear Clothing!

Get ready to gear up with:

Hoodies

Crewnecks

Matching Tracksuits

Toques

T-shirts

And so much more .....



Show your Wildcat pride and support  
our school! Stay tuned for further  
updates and details on our online store  
and how to order. LET'S GO  
WILDCATS!!! We can't wait to see you  
all rocking your new gear!!!

### **Winter weather access to school main building through the field/walkway**

With snow and ice, the path leading up  
to the school from the church parking  
lot can become slippery; salt may not  
always melt ice due to the sun direction  
and low temperatures. Please note  
parents/guardians have an option to  
drop off/pick up their child(ren)  
through the school Kiss n Ride rather  
than walk through the icy patch across  
the fence & field.

### **Gentle Reminder**

Students need indoor and outdoor  
shoes for school. Outdoor shoes are

required for students to go onto the  
field. Shoes may become wet or damp  
while playing outdoor, no one wants to  
sit in wet shoes all day!!

### **Help Us Out at Kiss & Ride**

We have many parents driving their  
children to and from school each day.  
The Kiss and Ride works well when  
people pull up as far as they can and  
have their children ready to exit the  
vehicle as soon as they stop. Problems  
happen when people stop too soon and  
the cars behind them cannot enter the  
parking lot. Also, there is no parking in  
the fire zone. If you must get out of  
your vehicle, pull into a parking spot.  
Parked cars in the Kiss and Ride area  
are the cause of many problems as  
others try to get in and out around  
them. If you arrive late and there are  
no parking spots available, please park  
in the Church parking lot on Inlake.  
Parents parking along the curb are  
holding up traffic and blocking the  
school fire route. This is a very unsafe  
practice and may result in a traffic  
ticket. During the afternoon dismissal,  
cars must not have a parking spot,  
please park at the church or on a side  
street.

### **Medication At School**

Please be advised for safety reasons -  
no child should bring any form of  
medication to school without prior  
approval from the office. **The school  
will store necessary medication, if  
proper documentation has been filled  
out.** If you require a form or have  
questions regarding the storage of  
medication, please visit our website.

All Epi Pens need the appropriate documentation/medical forms to be filled out by the Physician in order to be stored at school.

**IF YOUR CHILD HAS A  
LIFE - THREATENING ALLERGY,  
CONTACT US IMMEDIATELY.  
WE NEED TO KNOW!**

### **Diversity & Equity Team**

We started off our year honoring and



commemorating the indigenous lands we are on with our outdoor Truth and Reconciliation assembly. As you walk outside our school grounds, notice the orange ribbons tied to our fences by our Seton students to remind us

that every child matters (pictured). Moving forward, you will notice that our library bulletin board welcomes students in the different languages of our student body. Take a moment to recognize the different language communities of our school—thank you Seton students for taking the time to write "welcome," or "hello" in your languages (pictured). Thoughtful Thursday for the month of November, we will be re-starting our book readings! Stay tuned to see all the ideas and discussions from these readings!



### **Parents/Guardians of PLASP (before and after school) students**

Please refrain from entering your child(ren) class before and after school. PLASP has a running license for certain rooms in the school from where they operate, other rooms in the school do not have a valid license for PLASP and therefore, does not cover liabilities.

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Book fair is coming to Seton from November 6-8. Students will be able to browse through the book list and book fair items to create their wish lists on Wednesday, November 6; and will be able to buy items on Friday, November 8. **Parents, you are invited into school on Thursday, November 7 from 3:30- 6:30pm to shop our book fair!**

Our fair website is, as listed, here: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.ca/bf/stelizabethsetonschool>



### **Get ready!**

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way. Choosing their own books inspires kids to become lifelong readers. AND—as always—every

purchase at the Fair benefits our school. Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more!  
bookfairs.scholastic.ca

Or by scanning the QR code. This will allow you to view the schedule of events from November 6-8 and to browse the book list online! We look forward to working with you to promote a passion for reading and literacy within our students through our book fair. See you all there!

See you on Wednesday 😊

### Sports Corner

This month, our Jr. Boys and Jr. Girls volleyball teams showcased their talent and determination at the POD Tournaments. Both teams displayed impressive teamwork and sportsmanship, giving their best on the court. Their hard work and dedication were evident, and we're proud of their efforts and achievements. Keep up the great work Seton Wildcats!  
Ms. Dos Santos & Mr. Wilson CYW

On Thursday, October 10th, 23 students from grades 5 to 8 participated in the Mississauga West Cross Country Meet. Although we did not advance to the boards, we are so proud of all our cross country runners for their passion, drive, grit and commitment to the team. Way to go Wildcats!  
Ms. Juric & Mr. Wilson CYW



### DPCDSB's 2025-2026 French Immersion Program Virtual Information Sessions

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) will hold two virtual public information meetings for parents and guardians interested in enrolling their child(ren) in the board's Grade 1 French Immersion Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

The information sessions will provide parents and guardians with the following:

An overview of the *French Immersion Program*, Criteria for admission, Information about the online application process, Information about the random selection process (should the number of applications exceed the number of spaces available). Virtual information sessions for parents/guardians will be held on two different evenings based on region of interest. We ask that parents/guardians attend only one of the following online sessions:

School Region	Session Date & Time	Meeting Information
<b>BRAMPTON &amp; MISSISSAUGA</b> Our Lady of Providence C.E.S. St. Angela Merici C.E.S. St. Joachim C.E.S. St. Pio of Pietrelcina C.E.S.	Monday October 28, 2024 7:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Join the meeting now</a>
<b>MISSISSAUGA</b> All Saints C.E.S. Divine Mercy C.E.S. St. Elizabeth Seton C.E.S. St. Gregory C.E.S.	Wednesday October 30, 2024 7:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Join the meeting now</a>

## **2025-2026 EXTENDED FRENCH INFORMATION SESSION DETAILS**

Grade 4 parents/guardians who wish to learn more about Extended French or wish to enroll their child in a Grade 5 Extended French program for September 2025, are invited to attend an information meeting at one of the following virtual parent evening sessions:

*Brampton, Caledon & Dufferin Regions*

**Virtual Extended French Information, Session #1**

Tuesday, November 5, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

*Mississauga Region*

**Virtual Extended French Information, Session #1**

Tuesday, November 5, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

**Note about Microsoft Teams:** For optimal access, use a computer device (desktop, laptop or Chromebook) or use the Microsoft Teams App.

### **Head Lice - Pediculosis**

A problem which occurs from time to time in each school is an infestation of head lice also known as Pediculosis. Pediculosis is in no way connected with poor hygiene or dirt. Anyone can become infested. In order to control these pests we will follow certain established procedures and request your full cooperation and understanding. If cases of pediculosis are found in a classroom, we will inform the parents of that class. We would ask that you check your children's hair and, if you find the presence of nits (eggs) or live lice, please notify the school and we will advise as to the

appropriate treatment. If a child has nits (eggs) or live lice he/she will be kept out of school until they have been treated with the correct shampoo and their hair is entirely clear of both lice and nits (eggs). Student's hair must be checked by the office before returning to class. Information on head lice may also be obtained from your family doctor or pharmacist

### **Dogs on School Property**

Please do not bring your dogs, or other pets, onto school property. Even if on a leash and normally passive/friendly, your pet may respond in an unexpected manner if surrounded by a large group of curious children. While most of us are pet lovers, some youngsters are frightened by animals and may get nervous or anxious when approached by one. Also, other children in our community suffer from allergies that are often triggered by pet fur and dander. Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated.



## **X @SetonWildcats**

At the final meeting of the 2023-2024 Catholic School Council on October 3, 2024, the following individuals were elected\appointed as members of the 2024-2025 Catholic School Council.  
students

### **Catholic School Council 2024-2025**

<b>Chairperson</b>	Amanda LeBlanc
<b>Co-Chairperson</b>	Matthew Gray
<b>Secretary</b>	Diana Virk
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jada Wojnarowicz
<b>Parish Council Representative</b>	Carnisa Vincent
<b>O.A.P.C.E. Representative</b>	Astrid Juarez

### **Parent Representatives:**

Paul Wojnarowicz  
Kerri Marineau  
Iryna Cannataro  
Tihera Archibald  
Stephanie McQueen-Assefa  
Marisol Pasha  
Patricia Te  
Luis Ciriaiz

### **Staff Representatives:**

Daniella Pereira  
Jessica Lim  
Terri Jean Marie

The school congratulates all new members of Catholic School Council, and thanks past members for their service, time and dedication to the St. Elizabeth Seton School community.

### **Meeting dates for this year's Catholic School Council are:**

Thursday November 7, 2024  
Thursday December 12, 2024  
Thursday February 6, 2025  
Thursday April 3, 2025  
Thursday June 5, 2025

All members of the St. Elizabeth Seton School Community are welcome to attend meetings of Catholic School Council. Meetings begin @ 6:00 p.m. in the school library.



# Seton Student voice

By: Cali, Julie, Leila, Olivia, Sonja, Gabriella, Vanessa, Harper, Ava, Elvie

## VIRTUES

At Seton we celebrated virtues of Faith and Empathy. We asked students what each virtue means to them.

### Faith:

- Gabriella "Believing in God"
- Harper "Opening your heart to God"
- Ava "Following the path of God and Jesus"

### Empathy

- Tegan "Helping one another"
- Sonja "Putting yourself into other peoples shoes"
- Vanessa "Not judging people"



## DANCE-A-THON

On Halloween day students are asked to wear their Halloween costumes to school.

- Gabriella "Wear anything you need for your costume; except for masks, fake blood and weapons."

- Julie "Dance your heart out"
- Olivia "Make sure to have fun!"

## SPIRIT WEEK

Spirit week is selected days to celebrate an upcoming event. For this week the event is Halloween

- Harper "For spirit week, try your best to follow the theme"



## HALLOWEEN COOKIES

For a while now Seton has been handing out cookies for those who purchased it through cash online and extras are handed out for \$2

- Leila "A nice and tasty delight for \$2"





## TERRY FOX

Students and staff ran/walked around the lake to celebrate our Canadian hero, Terry Fox. Our school supports him by creating school fundraisers to support the Terry Fox Foundation.

Mrs. D'Souza "I'm very proud of Seton wild cats who went over and beyond to raise funds for the Terry Fox Foundation".



## PUMPKIN CONTEST

Our Eco-team created a school competition, Jack-o'-Lantern making contest. Whoever can make the best Jack-o'-Lanterns wins. This competition is for all grades kindergarten - grade 8.

- Cali "Let the best class win!"



## PIE IN THE FACE

Seton created a prize for Terry Fox donations, if we raised a selected amount of funds, Mrs. D'Souza and 4 other teachers would be pied in the face. We reached the goal and went beyond it, good job wildcats!

- Leila "The ones who raised the most money from Terry Fox were the ones who pied the teachers in the face as a reward."









# November



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b>  	<b>2</b> 
<b>3</b> <b>Day Light Savings Time</b>  Treaties Recognition Week (3 <sup>rd</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> )	<b>4</b> Picture Retake  Rosary Apostolate 	<b>5</b>  	<b>6</b> Scholastic Book Fair begins	<b>7</b> School Council meeting at 6:00 PM	<b>8</b>  	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Remembrance Day Liturgy @ 10:50 am  	<b>12</b> Progress Reports sent home   	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Parent/teacher interviews	<b>15</b>  	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Bullying Prevention Week Hear & See clinic	<b>19</b>  	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> PA Day  	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 7:00PM at Church	<b>26</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 7:00PM at Church  	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>  	<b>30</b>



# DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 	<b>4</b> Art Club	<b>5</b> Art Club	<b>6</b> Gonzaga Music Band 	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent 	<b>9</b> Rosary Apostolate 	<b>10</b> 	<b>11</b> Art Club Advent Mass @ 1:00 PM	<b>12</b> Art Club School Council meeting at 6:00 PM	<b>13</b> 	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent 	<b>16</b> Toy Drive Christmas Concert	<b>17</b> Christmas Concert 	<b>18</b> Art Club	<b>19</b> Art Club Virtue Assembly @ 11:00 AM	<b>20</b> Advent Retreat Last day of school!! 	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent! 	<b>23</b> Christmas Holidays begin	<b>24</b> Christmas Eve 	<b>25</b> Merry Christmas! 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> New Year's Eve 				