

Northeastern Catholic District School Board



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Dear Parents:

In a world that often fixates on the negative, divisive and cynical, the goodness and giftedness that comes from our school and other Catholic schools can be overlooked. This year's Catholic Education Week (May 2-7) celebrates our schools with this theme: *Catholic Education: Rejoicing in Hope*. The scriptural text comes from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians where he writes, "Rejoice in the Lord always ... and the God of peace will be with you." (Phil 4:4,9) We have accomplished many wonderful things this year; let's take some time during Catholic Education Week to celebrate them!

There are five sub-themes, one for each day of Catholic Education Week:

Monday:	Hope in Our Hearts
Tuesday:	Hope in Our Homes
Wednesday:	Hope in Our Schools
Thursday:	Hope in Our Communities
Friday:	Hope in Our World

Every year, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) provides our Catholic schools with a resource kit to help schools prepare for Catholic Education Week. Using these resources as well as our own school developed activities we have prepared a series of activities to highlight why our school should "Rejoice in Hope."

Catholic Education Week 2010 begins on a Sunday to highlight the partnership that remains the foundation of Catholic education. We particularly want to underline the relationship of Catholic schools with the broader Church community, especially with the parishes that remain the center of the worshipping faith community.

Throughout Catholic Education Week, we ask you to reflect on the significance of Catholic Education's presence and contribution in our Church, and in our society. We invite all members of our community, especially our parents, to participate in the celebrations and activities that will mark the celebration of Catholic Education Week 2010 at our school.

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CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

MAY 2, – MAY 7, 2010