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Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) Unveils New Website and Commemorates 85th Anniversary
Our theme this year is: Celebrate OAPCE 85: A Yearlong Celebration of Change, Commitment and Catholic Education. As we celebrate this milestone anniversary of OAPCE, we recognize the importance of parent leadership in shaping the entire education landscape in Ontario. As part of our celebration, we are excited to unveil our new logo, symbolizing our unwavering dedication to families in Catholic Education.

Scan the QR code to see our new website and new blog, newsletter among other items & sign up on our contact list to receive updates



OAPCE MESSAGE

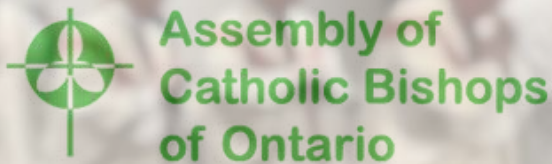


The Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) is proud to announce the launch of its brand-new website, coinciding with the celebration of its remarkable 85th anniversary. This digital platform is a comprehensive resource center, providing parents with essential information, and advocacy tools, and celebrating their pivotal role as primary educators.

The theme, "Celebrate OAPCE 85: A Yearlong Celebration of Change, Commitment, and Catholic Education," underscores the influence of parental leadership in shaping Ontario's educational landscape. As part of the festivities, OAPCE unveils a fresh logo that symbolizes its enduring commitment to families in Catholic Education.



BISHOP'S MESSAGE



Bishop Yvan Mathieu, SM, the Liaison Bishop, offers a heartfelt message that delves into the profound role of parents in Catholic education. Drawing inspiration from Pope Francis's teachings in "Amoris Laetitia, The Joy of Love,"

Bishop Mathieu emphasizes the family as the foundational source of human values, highlighting parents as the primary educators, requiring a renewed connection with Christ and the daily reminder that God's love calls to their children. This message underscores the importance of being witnesses of an authentically Christian life, aligning with Pope Saint Paul VI's teachings in "Evangelii Nuntiandi." It concludes with a prayer for unity and renewed commitment to this mission of love for both Catholic parents and educators dedicated to the well-being of children.

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Engage

Join us for our first Regional Committee Meetings of the school year, where we extend a warm welcome to all new and returning OAPCE Liaison Representatives! Our schedule includes the following dates:

York: Wednesday, October 25, 2023
 Toronto: Thursday, October 26, 2023
 Dufferin Peel: Monday, October 30, 2023
 Halton: Thursday, November 9, 2023
 Algonquin & Lakeshore: November 15, 2023
 Nipissing/Parry Sound and Hamilton dates are to be announced.

Keep an eye on our website for agendas and registration, available one week before each meeting. We eagerly anticipate connecting with parents from across the province!

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ADVOCATE

Featured in a recent article in the CPCO magazine, this narrative will inspire you to take on leadership roles and make a positive impact in education.

Post-pandemic, parents are reclaiming their influential role in education. OAPCE bridges the gap between parents, school leaders, and educators, empowering parents to take on leadership roles. As OAPCE marks its 85th anniversary, it emphasizes the essential role of parent leadership in shaping Ontario's educational landscape. Parent leaders enhance communication, and collaboration, and create a supportive learning environment for all.

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ENHANCE

As a new school year unfolds, the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) extends a warm welcome to parents, guardians, and students. OAPCE, representing the voice of parents and guardians in the publicly funded English Catholic System of Education in Ontario, stands ready to support and advocate for you. Recognizing the pivotal role parents play in their children's education, OAPCE encourages active involvement and invites parents to be part of their child's educational journey.

In addition, there are tips to share with your children, helping them maximize their school year. These tips include setting goals, developing effective study habits, staying organized, seeking help when needed, and practicing self-care.

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FAMILY AND FAITH ZONE

Introducing the OAPCE 'Book Nook' Selection:

"Anxious for Nothing for Young Readers" by Max Lucado

Today's young generation faces various challenges and pressures, from the digital world to packed schedules, leading to increased feelings of loneliness, anxiety, and fear. Designed for tweens and teens, this book empowers them to navigate their emotions and develop emotional intelligence through a focus on God's love. Each chapter offers mindful strategies, including journal prompts, thought-provoking questions, activities, and infographics with relevant Bible verses.

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PARENT/PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

As the new academic year approaches, helping your child understand taxes can set them up for success. There are many resources to enhance your child's journey through the tax system, and we are here to help. Topics covered:

- Financial Literacy Modules
- Learn about Your Taxes Tool
- Tax Basics Videos
- Webinars
- Benefits and Credits
- Education-Related Credits and Deductions

These resources empower students and parents with financial knowledge and literacy, ensuring they make informed financial decisions for a successful academic journey.

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