# OAPCE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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# Prayer

Amen.



Awaken the seed of faith within us.



We are grateful for the community with which you bless us.

May our continued prayer rise to you and express our hope for the promise of a future of learning in faith.

Open our hearts so that the distinctive thread that binds us together enables us to appreciate the tapestry of our world, created through your love.

May our prayer bring us to a place where we honour all of humanity and creating as sacred. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our brother and teacher.





A Parent's Insight: Exploring the Benefits and Drawbacks of ChatGPT and AI Technology

We had a great presentation from Anthony Perrotta, Principal in DPCDSB and Education Leader who has extensive experience navigating the intersection of educational technology, faith formation, and innovative teaching practices, and also specializes in Communications Technology and broad-based technology. Here is an overview:

### **What is Chat GPT?**

- Chat Generative Pre-Trained Transformer.
- An AI chat box that is designed for natural language processing tasks.
- Teachers are seeing an increase in students using AI technology to create reports and projects.



## Benefits Vs. Drawbacks

### **Benefits**

- **Personalized learning**: Answer questions, provide explanations and provide resources.
- Immediate feedback: ChatGPT can provide immediate feedback helping students assess and understand progress.

### **Drawbacks:**

- **Potential for Bias**: Chat GPT pulls from a vast amount of internet text which can contain biases present in society.
- Inability to learn from interactions: Chat GPT is unable to learn from individual transactions in real time which can result in repetitive or unhelpful interactions
- **Potential for misinformation**: Due to its reliance on existing dat, ChatGPT may generate misinformation or inaccurate responses.

### How can we prevent our kids from negatively using ChatGPT?

- Your role as parents role is crucial in your child's education.
- Navigate conversations around schooling and encourage your kids to thrive in the journey of learning.
- Inforce the positives and support the journey. Its ok to not be perfect.
- Finding the balance, look beyond the mark and also focus on your child's ability for;
  - Self regulation
  - Independent work
  - Initiative
  - Organization
  - Responsibility
  - Collaboration
- Ask questions about classes and assignments to assess workload and support that may be needed.

## OAPCE Regional / Provincial



OAPCE 85th Celebration April 13 2024 oapce.org/events

Conference hosted at Monsignor Percy Johnson Catholic High School 9:00 am -4:00 pm Special Announcement: Holy Mass Led By His Grace Archbishop Leo

#### **Guest Keynote Speaker: Karl Subban**

We are thrilled to announce that Karl Subban will be gracing our OAPCE Conference as our esteemed guest speaker. With his extensive expertise and dynamic presence, Karl Subban promises to deliver insights and inspirations that resonate with our theme and enrich your conference experience.

Be part of a transformative all Day conference with other speakers including Dr. Anne Jamieson, ICE Executive Director, J. Perri, Co-Executive Director, and Chris Bray, Christian Musician & Speaker.

### Gala Dinner: Sandman Signature Toronto Airport Hotel - 6:00 pm Reception/7:00 Dinner Starts

Don't miss out on the chance to connect, learn, and grow. We look forward to welcoming all parents from across the province to connect, learn, share experiences and do what OAPCE does best – bring parents together in Catholic Education!

We are also Looking for Sponsors and Vendors contact us today!

OAPCE Reps are FREE for the All Day Conference stay tuned for registration SOON!

# Key points to share with your Parent Councils:

- OAPCE Survey is still open!
  - https://forms.gle/nUqxkpmaL6AWhfAg8
- Read article in the The Catholic Register celebrating our 85th!
- Subscribe to OAPCE Parents4Parents (January newsletter available online)
- -Check out our website for many updates and additions- share with parents!

# Key points to share with your Parent Councils:

- Check out the new Family Curriculum launching this Fall: https://iceont.ca/new-family-life-education-curriculum-and-support-resources/
- Keep an eye out for Conference Registration open soon:
   All Day conference is \$35pp/Gala Dinner \$75 pp!
- We are now on instagram!: @oapce85



# **Closing Prayer**

Loving God,
Bless our work.

May it help build your reign.

May it lead to healing.

May it touch hearts and comfort wounds.

May it create sacred places where your love shines through.

May all we do be done for you.

Amen.

