



## SACRED HEART

Is it safe to say that spring is finally here? At Sacred Heart, Rockwood we certainly hope so. This month has been filled with many exciting events for our students. Our Badminton team competed in the county tournament, with one team finishing in second place. Our Skills Canada Team had a very successful day at the Wellington Catholic District School Board competition, with two of our teams advancing to the provincial competition. We celebrated Earth Week with a Blue and Green Day. Students dressed in blue

and green and brought in donations for the United Way. Our school also participated in the Plastic Bag Grab Challenge. Students, staff and fam-

ilies collected plastic bags to be recycled. Our school collected more than 200 plastic bags. We were also blessed to receive a Buddy Bench from the #GetInTouchForHutch Organization. A group of students from our school came up with the idea to fundraise for



## ST. JOSEPH

The calendar says it is spring, but it sure doesn't feel like it outside. The children have been bundled up in snow pants, hats and mittens and building snow forts in the yard and enjoying the last blast of winter—hopefully.

We celebrated the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Weekend. Thank you to Father Robert for celebrating Easter mass with us on April 4.

Congratulations to our junior and senior Battle of the Books teams who both placed third at the competition. We are thankful to the Halton Hills Public Library for facilitating this event for the students. The team read lots of great books and had a lot of fun. They represented St. Joseph's School very well.

We are very proud of our grade twos who received their First Holy Communion on April 21.

Congratulations to grade eight student, Abigail Scott, who was selected as our "Sharing the Spirit" award recipient. Abby was chosen to receive this award because of her leadership skills and her ability to share her Cath-

olic values with everyone she encounters.

Thank you again to Superior Glove for supporting our Scientists in the School program. This month the grades one, two and sevens welcomed scientists into their classrooms for some hands-on learning. The students absolutely love this opportunity provided so generously by Superior Glove.



The grade sevens participated in the "Tech Rocks" day at Christ the King Secondary School. They were introduced to all the different Tech courses offered there and experienced a day in the life of a high school student. We are very grateful for all the opportunities CTK offers our students.

On April 21, our grade four students went to the MoldMasters arena to participate in the "At Home in the Hills" showcase. It is a trip the students look forward to every year.

All of our families are invited to join us next Thursday, May 3 for our Parent Engagement Evening. "Get Sparked" is a presentation which focuses on peer pressure, media, bullying, respect and believing in yourself. Students will participate in workshops during the school day, and parents are invited in the evening to participate in the parent workshop. The presentation will start at 6:30 p.m. and babysitting will be provided. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

We are looking forward to Catholic Education Week in May. The theme this year is "Renewing the Promise". There will be lots happening at the school. Please be sure to check our school website: [elem.hcdsb.org/stjosephacton/](http://elem.hcdsb.org/stjosephacton/) for all the latest updates and follow us on Twitter @stjoesacton for all the day-to-day action.

a buddy bench. They organized a fundraiser event at their home in the fall and donated the proceeds to the school to be used for a bench. Myrna Hutchinson, from #GetInTouchForHutch presented the bench to our school. She gave a wonderful presentation about the need to recognize our emotions and the emotions of others and how everyone needs someone

to talk to on the rough days. Our school will be using the buddy bench to help create a culture of acceptance and tolerance on our playground. We have Buddy Bench student volunteers who will monitor the bench and help peers navigate the playground when things aren't going their way. #GetInTouchForHutch is an organization that works with a number

of organizations to help remove the stigma attached to mental illness and provide necessary resources to the people that are suffering. As we come closer to the end of the year, we continue to accept registrations for next year for any families looking for a faith-based education for their children. Please contact the school for more information.



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## Compost Giveaway

Halton residents are invited to attend this year's Spring Compost Giveaway as a thank-you for helping divert approximately 27,000 tonnes of yard waste last year. During the event, Halton residents can take up to the equivalent of seven garbage bags of compost per household, **free of charge**.

Date	Location
<b>Monday, May 7 to Saturday, May 12</b> 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	<b>Halton Waste Management Site</b> 5400 Regional Road 25, Milton
<b>Sunday, May 13</b> 8 a.m. to noon	



### Remember to bring:

- Your own bags or containers (maximum seven garbage bags or equivalent per household) and a shovel in order to bag your own compost; and
- A non-perishable food item or cash donation to be distributed to Halton-area food banks – your donations make a difference!

For more information, visit [halton.ca/compost](http://halton.ca/compost) or call 311.

### Spring cleaning? We can help!

Bring your hazardous waste, such as batteries, paint, oil, compact fluorescent light bulbs, pesticides and cleaners to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Halton Waste Management Site, **free of charge**.

Remember: Residential materials only. Maximum 20 litres per visit.

For more information and a complete list of acceptable materials, visit [halton.ca/hhw](http://halton.ca/hhw).

### Looking to repaint a room in your house?

Pick up usable paint and stain at the Paint & Stain Reuse Depot, **free of charge**. The Paint & Stain Reuse Depot will open for the season on Monday, April 30 and is conveniently located beside the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Halton Waste Management Site. Halton Region cannot guarantee availability of colours or stains.



Please contact us, as soon as possible, if you have any accessibility needs at Halton Region events or meetings.