



Three small orange flowers with blue centers are arranged in a row at the top center. To the left, there are orange wavy lines and a blue leaf. To the right, there are orange wavy lines and a large blue flower with a white center and orange leaves.

Welcome to Notre Dame CES

Two Schools, One Heart, One Faith
Joining Together as One

A message from our Principal:

It is with immense joy and anticipation that we welcome the students, families, and staff of St. Michael CES to Notre Dame! We are not simply bringing students together under one roof; we are joining two vibrant, faith-filled communities as one. Our shared Catholic values are the foundation of this new beginning, and we are committed to making this transition positive, supportive, and meaningful for every student. Together, we look forward to building new friendships, creating lasting memories, and continuing a tradition of faith, learning, and belonging.

Blessings, Mrs. Slade-Brady

About Our School

Welcome to Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School, a vibrant dual-track school in the heart of Cobourg, Ontario. We pride ourselves on creating a caring, faith-based environment where academic excellence goes hand-in-hand with spiritual and emotional growth.

Our Guiding Principles - We ask all members of our school community to follow our guiding principles based on FAITH:

F - Follow in the footsteps of Jesus, in our words and actions.

A - Aim to be the best we can be, value each other and respect diversity.

I - Inspire each other to learn, play safely and pray together.

T - Together, students, parents, parish, school and wider community can achieve great things.

H - Have Faith by putting love into action in all we do every day.

Our School Rule is simply: **Be Kind!**

Contact Us:

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What Makes Notre Dame Special?

Notre Dame is a vibrant Catholic learning community where students are encouraged to grow in faith, knowledge, and confidence. Through prayer, faith celebrations, service opportunities, and daily learning, students are supported in developing both academically and spiritually. In addition to strong academic programming, students have opportunities to participate in athletics, the arts, leadership initiatives, clubs, and a variety of extracurricular activities that help them discover and develop their unique gifts and talents. Our dedicated staff work closely with families and St. Michael Parish to create a supportive environment where students feel safe, valued, and inspired to succeed. Above all, Notre Dame is a place where students are known, cared for, and encouraged to become the very best version of themselves.

Daily Bell Schedule

Yard Supervision: 9:05 am

Lunch Recess 12:28 - 1:28 pm

Opening Bell: 9:20 am

Afternoon Recess: 2:50 pm

Morning Recess: 10:50 am

End of the Day Dismissal: 3:50 pm

Learning Together in a Dual-Track School

At Notre Dame, students in both the English and French Immersion programs learn and grow together as one school community. Our dual-track model allows students to build friendships across programs, learn from one another's experiences, and benefit from a larger school environment with a wide variety of opportunities.

Students come together through athletics, clubs, leadership opportunities, school events, and faith celebrations that foster inclusion, unity, and respect for diversity. Learning alongside peers from both programs encourages collaboration, understanding, and an appreciation for the unique strengths each student brings to our school community.

Getting Here

We want to make your arrival easy and safe.

Transportation: Bussing is provided through STSCO. Please visit <https://www.stsco.ca> for route details and updates.

Parent Drop-Off & Pick-Up Zone: *Safety First!* Parent drop off zone is located on Bolton Street. Parents are required to park in this zone and walk their child to/from the gate. Please do not block side roads. Staff will wait for you to park and walk up to the gate to meet your child. The school parking lot is designated for busses only.

Before & After School Day Care: Notre Dame partners with Compass Early Learning to offer care on-site. For more information, please contact: stmichael@compasselc.com

Student Life & Extracurriculars

Student life is vibrant at Notre Dame CES! We offer a range of activities to nurture our students' interests.

- **Athletics:** Cross-Country, Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Track and Field, 3-Pitch
- **Faith & The Arts:** Liturgical Helpers for Mass and Announcements, School Choir, Rosary Visits, Colouring/Art Club
- **Leadership Opportunities:** Student Leadership Initiatives, School Assemblies, Community Service Projects
- **School Spirit & Excursions:** School-Wide Spirit Days, Class Trips, and Special Excursions

Special Events

- Welcome Open House & Fall Fun Fair
- Terry Fox Run
- Opening School Mass & Monthly Masses
- Christmas Concert & Talent Show
- Stations of the Cross
- Parent Engagement Nights
- Play Day
- School Spirit Days and Special Celebrations

Welcome Open House & Fall Fun Fair

More information will be shared in September. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet staff, explore the school, and connect with other families as we begin the school year together.

Stay Connected

Don't miss an update! Here is how we communicate with our community:

Website: <https://notredame.pvnccdsb.on.ca>

School Messenger: Important emails and alerts will be shared with our families through School Messenger

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NDbestschoolever/>

Important Links & Resources

Use these online tools for school life:

Healthy Hunger: <https://healthyhunger.ca> (subs and pizza)

Spirit Wear Order: <https://peterboroughcatholic.schoolcashionline.com>

SchoolCashOnline: <https://peterboroughcatholic.schoolcashionline.com> (trips, hot dogs lunches, special events, Spirit Wear, fundraising events)

Looking Ahead

As we prepare for September, we look forward to welcoming the students, families, and staff of St. Michael CES to Notre Dame CES. To help support a smooth and positive transition, St. Michael students will join us for Play Day in June, where they will have an opportunity to tour the school, meet staff, connect with future peers, and have fun while experiencing some of the many opportunities Notre Dame has to offer.

Together, we look forward to this exciting new chapter as we join together as one school community.