



Catholic Academy's Weekly Newsletter
Adventure Awaits
September 3, 2025



	Thurs. 9/4 Parent Orientation 6pm - Pre-K 4+K 6:15pm - 1+2 6:30pm - 3+4+5 7pm - 6/7/8 in Cafeteria	Fri. 9/5 Dress in Buffalo Bills attire or colors!
Mon. 9/8 8:10 Morning prayer in the Gym	Tues. 9/9	Wed. 9/10

WELCOME BACK to our returning students and to all of our new students. We are so happy to have you join in our CANF adventure this year!

This newsletter was sent digitally to your email on file and will be digital only from now on. If you did not receive the email please email Mr. D - jdzielski@catholicacademynf.org. The newsletter is key to communication. We will also be moving to a new newsletter format soon!

SUMMER REVIEW:

A **HUGE thank you** to the office staff who worked hard all summer long to make sure we were prepared and ready for the first day!

A **BIG thank you** to Mr. Tim and his Summer Cleaning Crew for making the school look so clean and wonderful!

GREAT JOB to all CANF Staff who turned our school and classrooms into adventures!

THANK YOU to everyone who helped coordinate our **Welcome Back Picnic, School Supply Drop Off, and Blessing of the Backpacks** night, especially Kaycie Kratts, who was the spearhead for the Welcome Back Picnic, Father Mario & Deacon Chris for the blessing, and to our former student, Zay Starks, for allowing us to use the Bounce House. Thank you to all the families who attended. Fun was had by all!

Thank you to Miss Bianca and Principal Richards who created the beautiful balloons and picture opportunity this morning to welcome the children back to school.

SCHOOL NEWS:

Welcome to our new staff members:

- ★ Nonnie Cole - Pre-K 4 aide
- ★ Miss Nunzio - Grade 1 teacher
- ★ Miss Carney - 6th Grade Homeroom, MS Science, Library
- ★ Mr. Martinez (Coach Kyle) - Physical Education Teacher
- ★ Miss Shania, Miss Ashley - Cafeteria Aides

Welcome to our new students!:

- ★ All Pre-K 3 children
- ★ Pre-K 4 - Greyson Harris
- ★ K - Emma Akins, Alessia Atkinson, Santino Archie, Allison Fournier, Parker Brown, Annalyse Hampton-Johnson, & Elias Scherer
- ★ 1 - Remington Raepple
- ★ 4 - Pierceton Taylor & Anthony Edwards
- ★ 5 - Bennett Raepple
- ★ 7 - Derrick Tyson & Carter Frison

Breakfast/Lunch: Both are FREE again this year, and the September menus are in your folder. Also see the flyer in your folder today to see the new and exciting ice cream menu, including dairy free options.

Please read the **Dress Code Policy** and updated **Handbook** on our website.

Cell Phone Policy - All cell phones in all grade levels will be collected by homeroom teachers in the morning as students arrive in their classrooms. They will be locked in a cell locker inside the classroom. They are to be turned off and will be returned to the student at the end of the day.

Safety

- Just a reminder that if you show up to school to meet with a teacher or administrator and do not have a scheduled appointment, you will not be permitted into the building. This is a secure location and safety of our students and staff is our top priority.

→ All doors will be locked at 8am. If you arrive after 8am, you must come to the Office Door #1.

Join us on Social Media! Look for our Red/Black logo.

- Facebook: Catholic Academy of Niagara Falls
- Instagram: catholicacademynf
- TikTok: @catholic.academy
- YouTube: @catholicacademy

HELP NEEDED: We are still looking for a cleaner. He/She will work Monday - Friday from 3-7 for \$16/hr. Please contact Principal Richards if you or anyone you know is interested.

We raised over \$4,500 from our awesome **Walkathon** last year! Hopefully your children will see some of the many things we have purchased in their classrooms based on the teacher wishlists. Some items include: new classroom rugs, explorer sofa couch, magnatiles, huge rocket magnetic tiles, and much more!

Paul Effman Music is back once again! There will be an assembly on Friday, Sept. 12th to show Gr. 1-8 students what it is all about. Lessons will take place during school time on Wednesdays.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE UPDATES & REMINDERS:

- Remember if your child(ren) is/are attending before or after school care that you need to complete the forms in your folder.
- We encourage you to pay your monthly payments via FACTS as credit card charges a 4% fee to the user.
- Parents need to sign out their child(ren) at pick up.

FSA UPDATES:

- We will be participating in the **Peach Festival Parade** this Saturday. Please see the flyer in your folder.

SPORTS & CLUB UPDATES:

- ★ **K-2 Soccer Shots is back!** The program will run from 9/17 to 11/12 on Wednesdays from 2:20-3:00. The flyer will be in K-2 students' Classroom Take Home folders today.
- ★ **CANF Soccer** - We had 3 practices over summer and are in the process of ordering shirts. The game schedule has not yet been given to us. The practice schedule will go home with the children by Friday.
- ★ **New! CANF Swim Team** - I hope you received my email over summer explaining that we have joined St. Stephen's Swim team this year. We are very excited and practices begin tonight!
 - Follow the email that Allison Wild sent on August 19th.
 - You should have filled out your electronic pledge form. If you have not done so, your child cannot swim until you do.
 - Your \$135 fee is due by September 15th. Checks can be made out to CANF.
- ★ **Chorus Club** for students in grades 3-8 begins Wednesday, Sept. 10th. Please see the flyer in your folder today to sign up! (The printed newsletter in your folder today has the **WRONG** day/date.)
- ★ Look for other after school clubs coming soon!

FUNDRAISING UPDATES:

- **Mum Sale!** The order forms will be in your child's Wednesday Folder today. The sale has begun and ends Thursday, Sept. 18th. Pick up will be Friday, Sept. 26th. Please post and share on Social Media!
- **CANF Craft Show** - Our CANF Annual Craft show will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8th. If you know of any vendors or crafters or if your child would like to participate in the Kids section (hallway), please contact the office or email Amanda Sweney asweney@catholicacademynf.org. Spots for specific items are limited!

SAVE THE DATES:

- Oct. 24 - Fall Fest
- Nov. 8 - CANF Craft Show
- Nov. 14 - Meat Raffle
- Dec. 6 - Cookies & Cocoa with Santa
- Dec. 16 - The Christmas Program will be held one time during the school day only.
- Dec. 27 - Super Bingo!
- Feb. 6 - Dance
- March 6+7 - Auction

The **Wednesday folder** should be emptied and returned to school tomorrow. There are many papers enclosed today. Some stay home, but many need to be filled out and returned ASAP.

Keep at Home	Return to School
Tentative School Calendar	Walking permission slip - 1 per child
September Calendar	Emergency Closing form - 1 per family
September Lunch Calendar	Consent and Release form- 1 per family
Arrival & Dismissal	Pesticide Notification Form (if applicable)
Updated Before & After-School Care Program	Mum order forms and payment

*Pre-K 3 - The forms were in your Parent Orientation Packet.