

# Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy - IB World School



August 28, 2023

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students of Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy,

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. As we stand on the threshold of a new school year, it is my privilege to extend a heartfelt welcome to each and every one of you.

To all our new students, and parents who are joining our school community, a special and warm welcome awaits you. Your presence enriches the tapestry of our school, and we are thrilled to have you become a part of the Father Michael McGivney family.

As we embark on this journey together, let us embrace the opportunity to continue building upon the remarkable legacy of the Magic of McGivney. The new year holds promises of growth, discovery, and shared experiences that will shape our days ahead.

It's heartening to see familiar faces returning, rested and ready to embark on a fresh chapter of learning and growth. The safety and well-being of each member of our community remain our unwavering priority. We are committed to maintaining a secure environment where everyone can thrive.

Education is a beacon that guides us toward the future, and we are dedicated to ensuring that every student receives the highest quality of learning. Our staff has been equipped with the tools and resources necessary to excel in their roles, thereby creating an enriching atmosphere for all.

Undoubtedly, the year ahead will present its share of challenges, but let us approach them with determination and unity. With our collective efforts and resilience, there is no challenge too great to overcome. Together, we will conquer hurdles and celebrate successes, making this year truly remarkable.

Once again, welcome back to Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy. May this year be marked by growth, camaraderie, and achievement. I look forward to the wonderful journey that lies ahead.

Warm regards,  
Camille Robinson

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### SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

Main: 905-472-4961

Attendance: PRESS ONE

Guidance: PRESS TWO

Main Office: PRESS SIX



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## First Week of School Schedule

- **Tuesday September 5th, 2023:** Grade 9 Orientation Day. ONLY Gr. 9 students to report to school. A separate email will be sent to all grade 9 students and parents/guardian with more details.
- **Wednesday September 6th, 2023:** First day of school for grades 10-12. ALL students in Grades 9-12 to report to school.
- **Thursday September 7-8, 2023:** All students to report to school

*Cafeteria services will commence on Wednesday September 6, 2023. All days from September 5-8 are full school days with regular school bus service running. Please ensure that your child is dropped off prior to the first bell so that they are able to get to class on time.*

**Please note that school starts at 8:28am. students are considered late to class if they arrive after the bell at 8:28am.**



### FMM Daily Schedule

**8:24 am** Warning Bell

8:28-8:32 am *Prayer/Anthem*

**8:32-9:47 am** Period 1

9:47-9:50am Announcements  
9:50-9:53 am Travel Time/Class Change

**9:53-11:08 am** Period 2

11:08-11:11 am Travel Time/Class Change

**11:11-11:54 am** Period 3/Lunch A

11:54 am-12:32 pm Period 3B

**12:32-1:12 pm** Period 3/Lunch C

1:12-1:15 Travel Time/Class Change

**1:15-2:30 pm** Period 4

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS AND HERE'S WHY...

1. Punctuality and consistent attendance leads to better academic performance.
2. Students need to learn actively by engaging in discussions, asking questions, learning from peers and the teacher - the subject expert.
3. Being present for important information reduces stress, builds important skills and ensures that students do not miss assessments that contribute to their final grade.
4. Prepares youth for their future which include responsibility and discipline.

# UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

1. Please note that as per all communication that has been sent from our school and is available on our website, [DGN Kilters](http://www.dgn-kilters.com) is the **ONLY APPROVED UNIFORM VENDOR FOR OUR SCHOOL**.
2. All students are expected to be in full uniform as of September 5, consisting **ONLY OF THE PIECES DETAILED BELOW**, as well as a pair of flat, comfortable shoes that are closed-toe and have a closed back. (no flip flops, slides, slippers, Crocs, etc.).
3. Students who are out of uniform will be referred to the administration. This helps us ensure a safe and secure school building at all times. No hats/caps can be worn in the building. If your child is not in uniform, they will not be admitted to class, and parents/guardians will be responsible for picking their child up or dropping off their uniform items.
4. \*We are aware that DGN Kilters has had some product delays and we will have the list of students that are waiting for uniform items. In the event that your child is waiting for uniform pieces, please note that only black dress pants (NO LEGGINGS AND/OR YOGA PANTS, JEANS, SHORTS, OR TRACK PANTS) and white golf shirts or plain white t-shirts can be worn as they wait for their uniform items to be delivered. Students must get a note from administration to show their classroom teachers.

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**FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY CATHOLIC ACADEMY**  
BACK TO SCHOOL  
**SHOPPING**  
APPOINTMENT BOOKING REQUIRED



S/S POLO | UNISEX | LADIES  
WHITE / CHARCOAL

L/S POLO | UNISEX | LADIES  
CHARCOAL

**How to Book Your Appointment:**

- Visit [www.dgn-kilters.com](http://www.dgn-kilters.com)
- Select Schools/Book Appointment
- Select Your School Board / School Name
- Select Book Appointment
- Any Changes to booked appointments must be made through your Appointment Confirmation Email (Cancellation / Time Changes)

**Retail Location:**  
4855 14th AVENUE, MARKHAM

**Retail Store Hours:**  
Visit [www.dgn-kilters.com](http://www.dgn-kilters.com) for Summer Retail Hours

STYLE	COLOUR	PRICE
<b>TOPS</b>		
Unisex S/S Polo (315-414)	Charcoal / White	\$22.00 +tax
Ladies S/S Polo (315-414)	Charcoal / White	\$22.00 +tax
Unisex L/S Polo (315-414)	Charcoal	\$25.00 +tax
Ladies L/S Polo (315-414)	Charcoal	\$25.00 +tax
1/4 Zip Sweater (315-414)	Navy	\$34.00 +tax
Unisex Cardigan (315-414)	Navy with White Stripe	\$39.00 +tax
Unisex Rugby Sweater (315-414)	Navy / White / Ash	\$44.00 +tax
Ladies Rugby Sweater (315-414)	Navy / White / Ash	\$44.00 +tax
<b>BOTTOMS</b>		
Men's Pant (24-48)	Black	\$39.00 +tax
Ladies Pant (4 - 30)	Black	\$39.00 +tax
<b>GYM UNIFORMS</b>		
Unisex Pro-Fit Gym T-Shirt (315-414)	Red	\$15.00 +tax
Ladies V-Neck Pro-Fit Gym T-Shirt (315-414)	Red	\$15.00 +tax
Unisex Gym Short (315-414)	Black	\$18.00 +tax
Ladies Gym Short (315-414)	Black	\$20.00 +tax
Unisex Gym Sweatpant (315 - 314)	Black	\$24.00 +tax



S/S DRI-FIT GYM T-SHIRT | UNISEX | LADIES  
RED



RUGBY SHIRT | UNISEX | LADIES  
NAVY / WHITE / ASH

CARDIGAN | UNISEX  
NAVY / WHITE



QUARTER ZIP SWEATSHIRT | UNISEX  
NAVY



DRI-FIT GYM SHORTS | UNISEX | LADIES  
BLACK



GYM SWEATPANTS | UNISEX  
BLACK

UNISEX DRESS PANTS  
BLACK



LADIES DRESS PANTS  
BLACK

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**1.800.437.5872**  
Method of Payment : VISA, MasterCard

**Retail Location**  
4855 14th Avenue, Markham  
Method of Payment : Cash, Debit, VISA, MasterCard

## Student Timetables and Course/Timetable Changes

- Beginning on September 1 at 4:30pm, students can view their timetable through the Student Portal. The link can be found [HERE](#) or on our school website under the "Students" tab.
- Parents/ guardians can access the parent portal using the following [link](#). Instructions on how to access and use the parent portal can be found [HERE](#).
- More information about accessing timetables as well as course/timetable changes will be sent on September 1, 2023.
- Student homerooms will also be listed by grade on the cafeteria windows on the first day of school.

Connect Student Portal  
**connectEd**

Connect Parent Portal  
**connectEd**

## BUSSING & TRANSPORTATION

- Bussing will resume on Tuesday, September 5th, 2023.
- Parents/Guardians are able to find school bus route information at the following link. <https://bp.schoolbuscity.com/TransportationEligibility>
- Students may only access the bus route which corresponds to the information given at [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com). Students who ride to or from school on a bus they are not assigned to, for whatever reason, will be subject to the school code of conduct.
- It is important that students arrive at their designated bus stop five minutes prior to the posted pick-up time. During the first week of school, we suggest arriving 10 minutes prior to the posted pick-up time.
- Parents/guardians are reminded to refer to the Late Bus Report on the Student Transportation Services website at [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) each morning to determine if the school vehicle used by their child is delayed.





# FAMILY RESOURCE & BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FOR PARENTS

Talking to your child about the return to school can help to ease fears or uncertainty. Here are some ways to start the conversation:

*"Who are you looking forward to connecting with?"*

*"How are you feeling about the school year?"*

*"What is one thing you feel excited for?"*

*"How can I help you feel comfortable about school?"*

- [Back to School Tips for Parents - Child Mind Institute](#)
- Tips to ease the transition back to school video from SMHO: [By Your Side - How to Support Your Child's Transitions: A Message to Parents and Caregivers](#)
- [12 Step checklist for back to school- Anxiety Canada](#)
- [How to Support a Mentally Healthy Back to School for Your Child](#)

