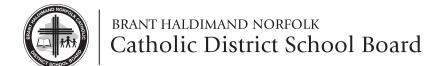


For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)



My Friends,

Christmas is a joyful time of year full of festivities, celebrations, and reflection. Our students participate in a variety of activities that remind us of the importance of preparing for the coming of our Saviour, as well as the importance of faith in our daily lives.

It is a busy time of year, and it is important that we take time to remember the true meaning of the Advent season. Take time to give and to forgive. Take time to reflect and to pray.

Soon families will gather to celebrate the birth of Christ. There will be kindness, friendship and richness in the celebration that brings everyone together. At this time, it is important to remember that the day will also be difficult for some; those who have lost family members, have no family to share with, the homeless, those who are in need, refugees, or the elderly who have no visitors. Please keep them in your prayers for it is faith that will help lift them up.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees we wish you and your family peace, faith, and the blessing of hope during the holiday season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone and thank you for your commitment and continued support for Catholic education.

Sincerely,

Rick Petrella | Chair of the Board Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board