



ÉCOLE ESCUELA  
**HOLY CHILD**  
Catholic Elementary School



**PARENT COUNCIL &  
FUNDRAISING SOCIETY**

**Parent Council 2026 Meeting - AGM**

Monday, September 28th, 2026

6:30pm – 8:00pm (in-person or virtual)

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89771397519>

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**Attendance: Rachelle, Caitlin, Ashley, Jordan, Joelle, Valeria, Mandy, Sheila, Claudia, Nancy, Eric, Josh, Merlene, Nadia, Jasmine, Lorelei, Amelia, Susan**

**Agenda – PARENT COUNCIL (30-40min)**

1. Call to order (1min) [6:37pm](#)
2. Welcome and introductions (2min) [Caitlin](#)
3. Land Acknowledgment (1min) [Caitlin](#)
4. Holy Child Daycare (HCASC) Update (5min)  
Items: Website: [www.holychildasc.ca](http://www.holychildasc.ca)

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5. Principal update: Rachelle Irvine (10min)

## Admin Report – September 2026

### Recap of School Events

- Elementary Cross-Country Run - September 22  
40 students in grade 3-6 participated cut  
Teachers practiced/ran with students during their lunch hours  
Lead by Mme Chloe, Mme Benincas and Sra. Stephanie
- Terry Fox Run on September 24 – raised \$497.60
- Opening Mass at St. Joseph's Basilica on September 25 with Father Patrick
- Liturgical Music every Thursday
- Monthly Assembly the first Thursday of the month

### Future Events

- Orange Shirt Day – September 29 -
- [Reading Week with guest speakers - reach out to teachers if you want to volunteer to read to classes.](#)
- Artist in Residence – Angela Hall – 7 Sacred teachings October 20 – November 6 - [once completed hanging in the library](#)
- [Halloween celebration & Movie night](#)
- Demonstration of Learning – Goal Setting – November 26 - [goal setting with teachers and parents for children.](#)
- Holy Child Professional Development Day – November 27th, Friday
- Holy Child Professional Development Day – January 22, Friday

## Administrative

- 2026-2027 Enrolment: ~323 – final count September 29
- Snack Program Grant from the Division - [always food in the office for children.](#)
- Continuation of our Weekly Newsletter - [click on links](#)
- 2026 Fall Provincial Government Screeners – Literacy and Numeracy finishing administration - [grade 1-5](#)
  - Submission October 9
  - Reports shared within 6 weeks - [more info to share once it becomes available to us from GOA.](#)
- School Education Plan
  - 4 Goals
  - *Students will experience the Catholic faith as a living presence, woven into learning, relationships, and daily experiences across all aspects of school life*
  - *Students understand what they are learning and why, receive timely feedback, and reflect on their progress.*
  - *Students feel known, challenged, and supported. Learning is joyful and meaningful, with varied approaches that honour different needs and spark curiosity.*
  - *Teachers co-create learning experiences where students set goals, reflect on progress, and persevere through challenge, with encouragement and timely support.*
- 2026-2027 Budget - forth coming – tied to enrolment
- PAT Data – June 2026 – has not been released yet

[Demo of Learning bookfair Nov. 26th](#)

### 6. Parent Council Update (10min)

#### a. What is Parent Council?

*Parent Council is a volunteer committee who works together with the Principal & After School Care to enrich the school experience for Holy Child students and families and support priorities as identified by the council/school community. Parent Council is open to all families.*

Examples of previous activities: School Family Dance | Bake Sales | School BBQs | Teacher Appreciation | Christmas Market | Hot Lunches | Social Justice Work | Book Fair

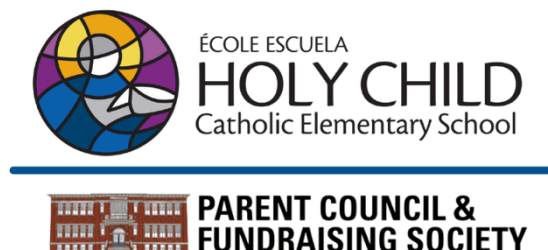
Parent Council Members:

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Council Chair |  |
|---------------|--|

|                                   |                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Book Fair (November 23-27)        | Joelle Reiniger & Lauren Panaro pass off to Jenn (2C)<br>Nancy Maldonado & Valeria |
| Christmas Market                  | Claudia Prat & Nancy Maldonado                                                     |
| Hot Lunch                         | Robert Schuett                                                                     |
| Grade 6 Dance                     | Katie Josse, Nancy Maldonado, Nadia                                                |
| Movie Nights                      | Caitlin McElhone & Nancy Maldonado                                                 |
| Supporters                        |                                                                                    |
| Social Justice events/initiatives | Jordan Reiniger<br>Amilea                                                          |

7. Parent Councils Association engagement money (\$2,000) towards education night/session/marketing items - **need to spend it this year; printed items or keynote speakers or banners.**
8. **Hot lunch** – Order and pay through [www.healthyhunger.com](http://www.healthyhunger.com) | Last Friday of the month | Volunteers needed from 11:30-12:30pm to help distribute lunches to classrooms. This is not a fundraiser, it is just an opportunity for the students to take part in, should they and their families wish to take part. Grade 1-6 only.
  - a. October 30
  - b. Dec 4
  - c. January 29
  - d. February 19
  - e. March 19
  - f. April 30
  - g. May 2
9. Other updates
  - a. WhatsApp groups for each classroom - let us know if you want to be included - **Joelle**
  - b. Christmas Market donations will start in October - **gently used items. Needed more boxes and gift bags (no wrapping paper and bows).**

@ 7:11 PM



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**Agenda – FUNDRAISING SOCIETY (45min)**

1. Call to order (1min) @ 7:11 PM
2. Welcome and introductions (2min) - \$82k last casino raised, funds for busing, chrome books, smart boards, etc.
3. 2026 AGM Agenda review and approval (2min) - Jordan, Jasmine, & Nancy. All approved.
4. 2025 AGM minute review and approval (2min) - Ashley, Valeria & Joelle. All approved.
5. Fundraising Society (10min)  
*The Fundraising Society meets monthly with Holy Child parents, guardians and Principal to support and enrich our children's education at Grandin School through financial assistance of various initiatives. The Fundraising Society is open to all parents/guardians and must follow Association bylaws by electing members to the board each year, as well as manage all funds raised and take official minutes & motions at each meeting. We are fortunate at Holy Child to have a casino to support our school every 2 years as well.*

The Fundraising Society commits \$5,000 to the school each year for programs such as:

- *Subscriptions to online learning tools, classroom activities & equipment requested by teachers, field trips/bussing, new/updated technology (Chrome Books) for students & staff, outdoor recess equipment, new school kitchen, gym upgrades/curtains, new playground. Dia Grandin, Mundialito, student bibles, Artist in Residence, teacher & staff appreciation and more!*
- Voting in 2026-2027 Fundraising Society Members (5min)

| Vote For:        | Fundraising Society Position                       | Vote Passed                 |                 |            |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------|
|                  |                                                    | 1 <sup>st</sup>             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | All passed |
| Caitlin McElhone | Fundraising Society Chair/President<br>(Last year) | Joelle, Jasmine; All passed |                 |            |

|                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                       |                                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                     | Vice-Chair - with goal to be Chair by Sept 2027       |                                                |
| Ashley Pedde                                                                                                                                                                        | Secretary                                             | <a href="#">Jordan, Valeria; All approved.</a> |
| Eric Pedde                                                                                                                                                                          | Treasurer                                             | <a href="#">Jordan, Jasmine. All approved.</a> |
| Jasmine Doonanco                                                                                                                                                                    | Casino Chair                                          | <a href="#">Joelle, Ashley. All approved.</a>  |
| Eric & Ashley                                                                                                                                                                       | Casino vice-chair - with goal to take over after 2028 | <a href="#">Jordan, Amelia. All approved.</a>  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                     | Marketing/Posters/Social Media Graphics               |                                                |
| Lauren Panaro<br>Mae Czan & Darren<br>Sara Glass<br>Robert Schuett<br>Nancy Maldonado<br>Claudia Prat<br>Jordan & Joelle Reiniger<br>Lorelei Maher<br>Valeria Guamato<br>Amilea Hal | Directors at Large                                    |                                                |

- Account balances (5min)

#### Bank accounts

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Chequing 4056          | \$2,613.08  |
| Other 1 CASIN 6118     | \$82,926.39 |
| Total: \$85,539.47 CAD |             |

#### MONEY IN (September 2026) – General Account

- \$295 cheque coming for movie night - [Eric to enter](#)
- TBC - Powerschool cheque for Apples - [Eric to enter](#)

#### MONEY OUT (September 2026) – General Account

- (JUNE) busing, smart board
- (AUG 31) \$2.50 bank fee
- (SEPT) \$909.44 Cheque 118 - Nancy - pizza order and freezers for welcome event
- (SEPT) \$484.53 Cheque 117 - Lorelei Maher - Costco run/desserts & supplies welcome event
- (SEPT) \$233.04 Cheque 119 - Caitlin McElhone for popcorn/chalk/additional pizza at welcome event

- GENERAL ACCOUNT BALANCE \$2613.08**

**MONEY IN** (August 2026) – Casino Account

- \$82,297.25 - Payment from 2026 Casino

**MONEY OUT** (September 2026) – Casino Account

- Bounced June cheque (\$810.60 #028) due to accounts being frozen over the summer. Re-issued cheque for bussing (\$810.60 #030) and final smart tv expenses in September (\$3000 #031)
- CASINO BALANCE = \$82926.39**

Proposed 2026/2027 Budget & Financial statements

| <b>Proposed 2026/2027 Fundraising Society Budget - ESTIMATES</b> |                                        |  |                     |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| <b>INCOME - Fundraising</b>                                      |                                        |  | <b>\$ 19,600.00</b> |  | <b>NOTES</b>                       |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Apple Box (Fall) - Income              |  | \$ 3,800.00         |  | Sales end Sept 30                  |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Christmas Art Cards & Soup Sale        |  | \$ 4,500.00         |  | NEW This year                      |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Christmas Market                       |  | \$ 850.00           |  | Twoonie donation                   |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Salsa Nights (x2)                      |  | \$ 1,050.00         |  | \$15 x 35 per night                |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Family Skate Night                     |  | \$ 2,500.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Honey Fundraiser - May                 |  | \$ 2,500.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Movie Night (Oct + May)                |  | \$ 2,400.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | School Dance - April                   |  | \$ 2,000.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  |                                        |  |                     |  |                                    |  |  |  |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>                                             |                                        |  |                     |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | <b>Fundraising Expenses</b>            |  | <b>\$ 10,600.00</b> |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Apple Box (Fall)                       |  | \$ 2,800.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Christmas Art Cards & Soup             |  | \$ 3,000.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Christmas Market Supplies              |  | \$ 250.00           |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Salsa Night                            |  | \$ -                |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Family Skate Night                     |  | \$ 1,000.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Honey Fundraiser                       |  | \$ 550.00           |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Movie Night                            |  | \$ 1,200.00         |  | Concession food & Pizza/drinks     |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Dance Expenses                         |  | \$ 1,800.00         |  | DJ, Concession food & Pizza/drinks |  |  |  |
|                                                                  |                                        |  |                     |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | <b>School Funding</b>                  |  | <b>\$ 5,300.00</b>  |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Welcome Event                          |  | \$ 1,650.00         |  | Pizza, juice box & treat           |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Teacher Appreciation - Xmas & Year end |  | \$ 1,800.00         |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Mundialito                             |  | \$ 1,700.00         |  | Food/drinks                        |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Administrative Expense                 |  | \$ 50.00            |  | bank fees                          |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Supplies                               |  | \$ 100.00           |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | Printing                               |  | \$ -                |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  |                                        |  |                     |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>                   |  | <b>\$ 19,600.00</b> |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                  |  | <b>\$ 15,900.00</b> |  |                                    |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | <b>TOTAL FOR SOCIETY</b>               |  | <b>\$ 3,700.00</b>  |  |                                    |  |  |  |

Motion to approve 2026/27 fundraising society budget above: [Valeria, Joelle. All approved.](#)

[May 1st, 2025 to April 20th, 2026 - Financial year.](#)

### **MOTIONS TO SPEND CASINO MONEY (wish list from school):**

1. 30 new Chrome Books x \$700 each = \$21,000- already approved at June meeting for 2026 Casino funds
2. African Drums \$200 each x 25 = \$5000.00 - already approved at June meeting for 2026 Casino funds - Rachele applying for Grant that may also cover this cost - [find out about grant in Dec.](#)
3. \$150/teacher to use on classroom supplies from the casino account - [needs AGLC list and approval. Jasmine to ask AGLC for a list.](#) (\$150x15 teachers = \$2250.00)
4. Field Trip bussing again for 2026/2027 school year (\$2000)

TOTAL Requested Casino funds = \$31,000.00

[1st Jordan, 2nd Amelia, Jasmine. All approved.](#)

### **Tim Horton's Gift card from Trustee - \$100**

Use for coffee/snacks at Christmas Market

- Additional items for review:
  - Eric and Caitlin to sign final documents at the bank
  - AB Registries has been filed and all up to date for 2025/2026
  - Too many school email accounts now - need to consolidate and manage better - [forward to the main email account.](#)
  - 2028 Casino - Confirmed for Yellowhead Casino again in QR for 2028
  - Grants - [any parent who can look into these?](#)
  - Insurance - look into for Salsa nights
- Upcoming event/fundraiser reminders (5min):
  - Apple fundraiser ends September 30th
  - Salsa Night - Adults Only - On The Rocks - November date TBC
  - Nov/Dec - Holiday Art Cards + pre-made soups
  - Dec - Christmas Market
  - January - possible family skate night at Rogers Place or Oliver Rink
  - February - Salsa Night round 2!
  - April - School Dance
  - May - Honey & possible playoff watch party

[Nancy - popcorn for hot lunch - funds for grade 6](#)

Adjourn: [@ 7:59 pm](#)

### **MEETING CALENDAR**

PAC Meeting Dates - Everyone Welcome!

6:00pm - 7:30pm in the Library or virtually over Zoom (same link for all meetings):

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Tuesday, September 29 - AGM

Tuesday, November 24

Tuesday, January 19

Tuesday, March 23

Tuesday, May 18