

## ST. E and FAÇADE ACADEMY OF THE ARTS

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May came this year with vibrance and creativity. Thanks to **Mina Spremulli** at Façade Academy of the Arts' generosity, students in our Functional Skills classes were given a complimentary workshop where they created an exceptional art piece fit for any wall in their parents' homes. Our students had a great time and were enthralled in what they were doing. This therapeutic and hands-on experience, was anxiously anticipated in our Art Therapy Workshop held on June 21st where the act of drawing and creating art to help relieve stress, stimulate the brain and exercise fine motor skills along side eye and hand coordination was a great way to end the school year. ■ Façade Academy is no stranger to St. Elizabeth, mentoring many of our very own RAP students, special needs students and mainstream current and past students, providing them with incredible opportunities to enhance their experience as artists in the art and design industry. Many of these students created set design for the Vaughan Film Festival, one-of-a-kind art pieces for gallery display, creating collectable art pieces for the Starlight Children's Foundation and NHL charity auction and were given recognition and exposure within the arts and design industries from the media. ■ Mrs. Spremulli has provided scholarships, awards and helped in preparation of portfolio's with 100% acceptance in University/ College in Canada, USA and International placements. In addition, Mrs. Spremulli provides current St. E. students with internship and volunteer experience, working and assisting with Façade Academy's annual events both large and small as well as providing them with teaching experience, instructing the kinder and beginner arts classes. We are excited to work with Façade Academy of the Arts next year as we know the benefits of art and fun that comes with it! ■ If you require further information, please contact **Mina Spremulli at 416-895-3570 or [www.facadeacademy.com](http://www.facadeacademy.com).**



## YEAR-END MESSAGE FROM OUR TRUSTEES

Mrs. Teresa Ciaravella and Mrs. Cathy Ferlisi

We extend our thanks to you for your ongoing support and commitment to the values and goals of Catholic education. ■ This is also the time of year that we salute the graduating class of 2013 and bid it farewell. Whether you will be entering the workforce, college or university, we wish you success. To our RAP graduates, congratulations and thank you for your continued support of this regional program. ■ We extend our sincere thanks to each member of the Catholic School Council. Your hard work makes St. Elizabeth the best that it can be. Involved parents really do make a difference. Congratulations to St. Elizabeth Catholic High School on the occasion of its 25th Anniversary and on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the Regional Arts Program. ■ Over the past 25 years, St. Elizabeth CHS has helped thousands of students achieve their dreams, and set them on a path to success, guided by our Gospel values. Its contributions to the Thornhill and Maple community and the many staff and students who worked and studied at the school will always be cherished. Also, over the past decade, the Regional Arts Program at St. Elizabeth CHS has provided thousands of students across the Regional Municipality of York with a quality



**PLAQUE PRESENTATION FOR SCHOOL'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY:** Ms. S. Abate, Vice Principal; Mrs. C. Ferlisi, Trustee; Mr. J. Cocchetto, Vice Principal; Ms. H. Velocci, Chair, CSC; Ms. M. Cosentino, Superintendent of Education, YCDSB; Mrs. T. Ciaravella, Trustee.

Catholic education fully integrated with an exceptional arts education. ■ Best wishes to teachers and other staff who are retiring. We also thank the school administrators at St. Elizabeth CHS. Their leadership, dedication and passion for providing quality Catholic education are very much appreciated. We look forward to working with you next year. May you enjoy a stress-free and refreshing summer and may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

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