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FRENCH EMBASSY ATTACHÉ JOINS DELEGATION FROM LILLE, FRANCE IN VISIT TO GREGORY A. HOGAN AS PART OF TOUR OF AREA SCHOOLS

Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School has planned a Francophone Culture Day, as it plays host to a visiting delegation from the French Ministry of Education and the French Embassy in Ottawa on Monday, May 4th.

“We are very excited to welcome these visiting dignitaries from France and Ottawa,” says Elena Pagotto, Principal of Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School. “They will be invited to participate in our Francophone Culture Day, which will highlight the cultures of a number of francophone communities or countries around the world, where the French language is spoken.”

Every classroom will showcase a different cultural aspect of a francophone community or country. In some classrooms, fresh crepes and croissants will even be served! Every student in the school will rotate through the entire presentation throughout the day.

“We also hope to learn more from our visitors about an exciting opportunity to twin our school with an elementary school in France,” says Mme. Pagotto.

Partner schools would allow greater access for students share their learning on a regular basis, using Skype and other technologies – a tremendous opportunity that aligns with the new French curriculum document, which stresses, not only instruction of the French language, but also embedding the French culture into student learning.

The visitors include Isabelle Jeuffroy and Ludovic Sauvage from the Académie de Lille, France; and Dominique Suquet, the French Embassy attaché from Ottawa.

***The French delegation will visit Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School, 1825
Hogan Drive, Sarnia from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 4, 2015.***

Members of the media are welcome.