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CLASSES TO RESUME TOMORROW AT ST. VINCENT CHATHAM AND ST. MICHAEL RIDGETOWN

Classes at St. Vincent Catholic School in Chatham and St. Michael Catholic School in Ridgetown will resume tomorrow, Friday, March 10, 2017.

Power was restored at both St. Clair Catholic elementary schools in Chatham-Kent this morning.

The outages, which were caused by yesterday's high winds, forced the cancellation of classes yesterday at St. Vincent in Chatham; and today at St. Michael in Ridgetown. In addition, wind damage to the roof at St. Vincent resulted in the building being closed for a second day today.

"I am pleased to report that the roof at St. Vincent has been repaired and power has been restored to both schools; and therefore, classes will resume as normal tomorrow," says Dan Parr, Director of Education.

A large section of the rubberized membrane that seals the roof at St. Vincent became detached in yesterday's high winds. A roofing contractor was at the school today to make the necessary repairs.

Mr. Parr also expressed his thanks to the parents/guardians and staff of both St. Vincent and St. Michael, for their response to the unexpected closures at both schools.