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CANADA LEARNING CODE TO VISIT ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC

The Canada Learning Code, a national coding organization, will visit five St. Clair Catholic elementary schools next week. Coding is the process that makes it possible to create computer software, apps and websites.

"We are excited to invite the Canada Learning Code into our schools, as a partner in technology education," says Laura Callaghan, Superintendent of Education. "Building capacity for students in 21st century learning is an important strategic target for St. Clair Catholic."

The Canada Learning Code will assist in teaching nearly 700 elementary school students how to code using the latest digital software and will visit classrooms from Grades 1 to 8. The organization has participated in more than 2,800 educational events with 260,000 learners across Canada.

In addition, after school training opportunities will be offered to all principals and vice principals, teachers, educational assistants, early childhood educators and library technicians at three locations across the system.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for students and staff alike, as the Canada Learning Code helps us to become builders, and not just consumers, of technology," says Mrs. Callaghan.

A schedule of dates and times available for media visits is below.

DATE	SCHOOL	GRADE	TIME
March 4	St. Matthew, Sarnia	Grade 3-4	8:50 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.
March 5	Holy Family, Wallaceburg	Grade 7-8	12:15 p.m. – 1:55 p.m.
March 6	St. Agnes, Chatham	Grade 5-6	12:25 p.m. − 2:05 p.m.
March 7	St. Ursula, Chatham	K – Grade 1	11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
March 8	Gregory A. Hogan	Grade 2-3	8:55 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.

Members of the media are welcome.