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GRADE 2 TEACHER AT ST. ANNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN SARNIA RECEIVES PRIME MINISTER'S CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Lori Barbato, a Grade 2 teacher at St. Anne Catholic School in Sarnia, is a recipient of the Prime Minister's Certificate of Achievement for Teaching.

"Lori is a gifted and innovative Catholic teacher," says Deb Crawford, Director of Education. "We are thrilled that she has been recognized along with some of Canada's most outstanding educators. It is a deserving honour!"

The Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence have honoured exceptional elementary and secondary school teachers in all disciplines since 1993. Teachers are honoured for their remarkable achievements in education and for their commitment to preparing their students for a digital and innovation-based economy.

The awards selection committee praised Ms. Barbato for engaging students for success, building relationships and providing consistency in her Grade 2 classroom.

"Lori provides a wide range of opportunities for all students to be actively engaged in hands-on learning and using tasks and tools," says a Government of Canada release, which announced the awards.

Among her many achievements, Ms. Barbato was recognized for her innovative classroom learning using digital technologies, leading the school social justice club and celebrating families' home cultures and their children's milestones, with annual multi-cultural feasts in her classroom.

In recognition of her achievement, Ms. Barbato has received a letter from the Prime Minister, a commemorative pin and a cash award.