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GEORGES P. VANIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL DONATES \$2,525 TO CHATHAM PARISHES TO HELP SYRIAN REFUGEES

Georges P. Vanier Catholic School will present the Chatham parishes' Refugee Fund with a cheque for \$2,525 to assist in helping Syrian refugee families. The Refugee Fund is coordinated by St. Agnes, Blessed Sacrament, St. Joseph and St. Ursula parishes.

"This has been an important project of our school's Social Justice Team," says Kerry Matthyssen, Principal of Georges P. Vanier Catholic School. "We have learned about the plight of the Syrian people and we are doing our part to help them as they find new homes in Canada."

The money was raised through the sales of candygrams on Valentine's Day and during a read-a-thon, which was held at the school earlier in March.

Sister Eleanor Gleeson will accept a cheque for \$2,525 on behalf of the Refugee Fund on Friday.

A photo opportunity of the cheque presentation will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 1, 2016 at Georges P. Vanier Catholic School, 20 Cecile Avenue, Chatham.

Members of the media are welcome.