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Jean Vanier Students Celebrate 25th Anniversary of School by Lacing up for Women's Place

Welland, ON, May 18, 2017 –Jean Vanier students will be lacing up once again as part of their *Hearts in Harmony (Coeurs en Choeur)* event. This walk, the eleventh that the school has hosted in support of Women's Place services, will be one of numerous events that Jean Vanier will be running as they celebrate the school's twenty-fifth anniversary.

Over the past eleven years, Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School (École secondaire catholique Jean-Vanier) has raised over \$78,000 in support of Women's Place, a local agency that provides safe shelter, crisis counselling and many other vital services for women and children experiencing domestic violence.

This year's walk kicks off at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, May 19th at the school (620 River Rd). Students will walk west along Woodlawn to Merritt Island, walking north until they reach Highway 406 before turning around to walk the length of the island to City Hall. To celebrate the end of another successful walk, students will then enjoy a concert in front of Welland City Hall.

Other events celebrating the school's anniversary will include a social night on Friday evening, family activities on Saturday, a banquet on Saturday night, and a mass on Sunday morning followed by a brunch. The weekend's activities will also include the opening of the school's memorial gardens.

Questions regarding any of these events should be directed to Tricia Poulin at Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School at 905-714-7882 or tpoulin@csdccc.edu.on.ca. Questions regarding Women's Place should be directed to Jennifer McQuestion, Community Engagement Manager, at 905-356-3933 ext. 239 or jmcquestion@wpsn.ca.

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