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ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, LISTOWEL WINS THE STEVE MAVERS AWARD FOR ANTI-RACISM LEADERSHIP

DUBLIN, ON - The Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board is bursting with pride to announce that St. Mary's Catholic School in Listowel has been honoured with the Steve Mavericks Award at the annual LUSO Community Anti-Racism Video Awards!

This distinguished award celebrates the enduring legacy of Steve Mavericks—a beloved friend of the LUSO Community and former Curator of Education at Museum London. It is presented to schools that go above and beyond in their commitment to inclusivity, community building, and lifelong learning.

The spotlight shone bright on St. Mary's Catholic School Grade 7/8 students, who, under the expert guidance of Ms. Denstedt, produced a moving video centred on this year's theme: "The Human Cost of Racism. "As school community leaders, you demonstrate every day that you have the agency to shape the present and influence the future! So proud of all of you!" shared Principal Paula Valcke.

The award ceremony was an evening to celebrate art, culture and community. St. Michael Catholic SS and St. Joseph's Catholic School, Stratford also submitted impact videos endorsing this year's theme. The St. Michael Catholic SS Multicultural Club joined staff and community members. Director of Education Karen Tigani states: "We are extremely proud of the efforts put forth by our staff and students to support this powerful message. Your voices matter, and they are being heard!"

We invite our entire community to witness the creativity and passion of our students. We will be showcasing these powerful videos on social media—be sure to follow us on **Facebook** so you don't miss a single one!

Together, we are building a future where everyone belongs.



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