

### **January 2019**

With Christ as our foundation, St. Anthony school community is dedicated to sharing our faith through learning and service.



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# **Christmas Vacation**



Confirmation registration will be held at St. Anthony School, Thursday January 10, 2019 from 5:00-6:30 PM. All youth, age 12 and older, who are eligible to receive this Sacrament, are warmly invited with their parents or guardians to attend the drop in registration.

For more information please contact Sandra Bannard at 780-898-5234

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Christmas is quickly approaching and the students have been excitedly anticipating this special day! As a Catholic School that recognizes and embraces all faiths, this is a period on the Church calendar that is of much significance and importance, the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. Throughout Advent we have focused on the approaching birth of Christ through morning Advent prayer, social justice projects, concerts, and many Christmas themed school and classroom activities.

Thank you to Miss Zadler, Mr. Naugle, Mrs. J. Molzan, and Mrs. Miller for preparing our students for the beautiful Christmas concerts, and to Mrs. Burns and our junior high students for the Living Nativity presentation. We hope that these presentations at this wonderful time of year have touched your hearts in a special way.

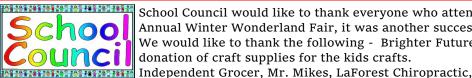
During this festive season of giving, we would like to thank you for your contributions to our Social Justice projects: the Giving Tree and visits to the seniors' center.

On behalf of the St. Anthony staff and students, I would like to extend my warmest wishes to you and your family for a Blessed and Holy Christmas. May each of your families continue to be blessed with the Lord's bountiful goodness and abundant love in the New Year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

All Done in His Name;

Mrs. Trish Molzan, Principal

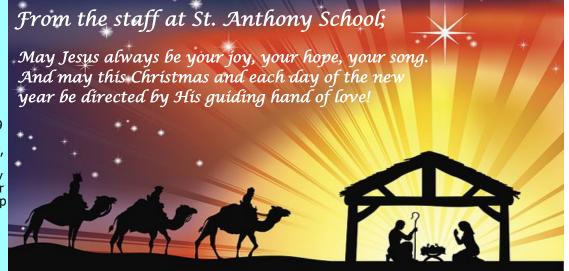


School Council would like to thank everyone who attended the 10th Annual Winter Wonderland Fair, it was another successful event! We would like to thank the following - Brighter Futures for their donation of craft supplies for the kids crafts.

Stitches N' Dreams, Patterson Power, Home Hardware, Cobblestone Cafe, Rink Ratz, Norette, ACR, Pembina Pipeline, Bumper to Bumper, The Brick, Krystal Heck, Panago Pizza, Thang Nguyen from Brite Smiles, DV Thunder, Ford, Bob Dale, OK Tire, LewCam, CCM, DunnRight, D.Now, DV Rentals, Pure Pressure, KPA, Monarch, Laura Delesalle, Amber Ward, Fast Family, Gramlich Family, anonymous donations, class basket donations and bake sale contributions.

Pizza Party for the Discount Card Fundraiser will be sometime in January.

Please join us for the first Council Meeting 2019, January 21st @7:00 pm, babysitting provided.



Captivating Moments



St. Anthony school would like to thank the Kin Club of Drayton Valley for their generous donation to our Pantry Cupboard.







Aberdeen & Callie and Miradi, generously add their donations to the Giving Tree!



Kevin Koberinski joined our Grade One class to teach our students all about our community helpers and heroes.





Thank you Mrs. Howorko for joining our Grade 4 classes and helping the students with a special Christmas crafts.

Kindergarten—Grade 6 Christmas Concerts









More

4 y/o Preschool Christmas Concerts

















The Living Nativity













Twin/Triplet Day





## **Important Parent/Guardian Information:**

These are some of St. Anthony School's expectations to help keep our school running more smoothly:

- If your child is going to be late or away from school all or part of the day, please call the office at 780-542-4396 or email kerrie.lemermeyer@starcatholic.ab.ca. Outside of regular business hours (which are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm), if you get the answering machine, please leave a message.
- For the safety of your child(ren) please do not drop him/her off before 8:20 am as there is no supervision and the doors do not open until 8:20 am.
- All students arriving after the morning bell (8:35am) or leaving school property before the dismissal bell (3:09pm), must sign in/out at the office.
- For the safety of students & staff, ALL Volunteers & Visitors <u>MUST</u> sign in at the office. ALL doors other than the front door will remain locked during the school day.
- We need your help! Classroom interruptions disrupt the flow of the lesson and make it difficult for students to re-focus on the task at hand. The office is receiving a number of requests during the day to relay messages to students or to call students from class. If you are dropping an item off for a student or calling to leave a message for a student, they will be held at the office until morning recess or lunch break. Although we attempt to ensure all students receive their messages or items dropped off, there are times that students do not respond to these calls and if we receive them after the 12:30pm, we can not guarantee that the student will receive them. Please assist us by attempting to make all arrangement with your child before he or she leaves for school in the morning. Only in cases of emergency, we will call into your child's class.
  - We appreciate your cooperation in helping us keep interruptions to a minimum.
- Please make sure that your children are dressed according to the weather. Students are expected to play outside during our recesses. The Division's weather policy is to have students stay indoors only if the weather is minus 20 below (Celsius) including wind chill. Proper winter attire includes mittens, hat, warm coat, ski pants, and winter boots. It's also a really good idea, to pack extra clothing (such as pants, underwear, t-shirt and socks) in your child(ren)'s backpack – in case they get all wet.
- Taking holidays during the school year may result in students missing valuable learning which may result in students missing valuable learning which may have a negative effect on their academic progress. However, we do understand that because of differing circumstances this may occur in various families. Although our teachers are committed to helping your child progress, please understand that it is not reasonable to request that the teacher prepare detailed lessons or homework missed during your child's absence. Students are responsible for catching up on all missed assignments within a reasonable time frame determined by the teacher through consultation with the student and family.











7th—First Day of classes 2019

9th—1:45pm New Year's Mass at St. Anthony church

10th—Elementary Recognition Awards after morning prayer, Confirmation Class Registration 5:00-6:30 pm

14th—First day of Running Club after Christmas break

17th—Tim Horton's Snack Day

18th—Adoration

21st—Parent Council Meeting 7:00pm, babysitting is provided.

31st—Tim Horton's Snack Day



For the most Up-to-date information, upcoming events, photos and what we are busy doing at St. Anthony School visit our

website; stan.starcatholic.ab.ca & our Facebook Page; StAnthonySchoolDraytonValley