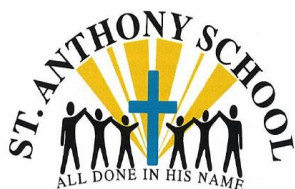




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No School Days

8th - PD Day

25th—29th - Spring Break



Thank you to
Kelli Cameron,
Amber Ward &
Julie Pequin for

coaching the boys basketball team this year, and to Mrs. McGillivray & Mrs. J. Molzan for helping out with the girls basketball team.

**PLEASE READ:
IMPORTANT
MESSAGE**

There was an error on the March Canteen menu, a meat dish has been offered on Ash Wednesday (March 6th). If you have ordered that day and would like to trade for another day, please contact Michelle @ 780-621-7721

St. Anthony STAR

Lenten Prayer

Lord, God, during this Lent, help us to remember how great You are and how small we are. Help us to turn to You often in prayer and awe. When the Forty Days of Lent are finished, let our hearts be so full of Your greatness that we will be ready to celebrate the joy of Easter. May our Lenten promises teach us to thank You for every moment that we breathe and live, even when life brings pain. Amen.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Lent is a time for strengthening our faith, a time to reflect on who we are and where we are going. It is a time of quietness and prayer, a time of penance and meditation, a time to become aware of our strengths and weaknesses.

During Lent, we enter into Jesus' redemption by choosing to look at ourselves, at how we talk and listen, how we think and act, how we are with others. Lent provides many opportunities for people to choose to do renewing activities, such as visiting someone who is lonely, giving up something like television, spending a certain amount of time in prayer, choosing a fast, attending daily Mass as a family or making the stations of the cross. In whatever you do may you find the warmth of Christ in your lives. We will begin the Lenten season with our Ash Wednesday celebration on Wednesday, March 6th at 1:45 in the school.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mrs. Trish Molzan, Principal

As we move into the month of March, please watch for second term report cards to arrive home on Thursday, March 14th.

Kindergarten—Grade 6



Student-Led Conferences for students in Kindergarten – Grade 6, will be March 20th & March 21st from 4:30 pm. to 6:30 pm.

Watch for information coming home in your child's report card.

Your child's teacher will contact you, should they request a separate interview.

Please plan to come in and celebrate your child's learning with them as it is a wonderful opportunity to see first-hand the curriculum that your child is learning.

Parent Teacher
Interviews

Grade 7 & 8



Parent Teacher Interviews for students in Grades 7 & 8; will be March 20th & March 21st from 4:30 pm. to 7:30 pm.

Instructions will be included in your child's report card on how to log onto the site and book your interviews.

Please take this opportunity to find out how your child is doing.

Accountability Pillar Surveys – ATTENTION Parents of Grade 4 and 7 Students. Recently you received a package from Alberta Education regarding a survey. This survey gives our school valuable information regarding the education your child receives at St. Anthony School. The results of this survey provide us with valuable information which is used to make improvements to our school. In the package you received the following:

- a copy of the Education Minister's Invest in the Future letter to parents;
- a copy of the paper survey questionnaire (including a Random Access Code);
- a postage-paid, pre-addressed return envelope (to be mailed directly to Alberta Education);
- instructions for accessing the online survey; and
- instructions for accessing the survey in other languages.

We ask that you take the time to complete either the paper version of the survey, or access the survey online with the Random Access Code. Your feedback is very valuable to us! The deadline for this survey is March 8th.

Captivating Moments



Our students would like to thank the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #269 for their donations to our snack/lunch program.



100th Day games



Preschool Valentine's Day fun



Grade 7 & 8 NET Retreat

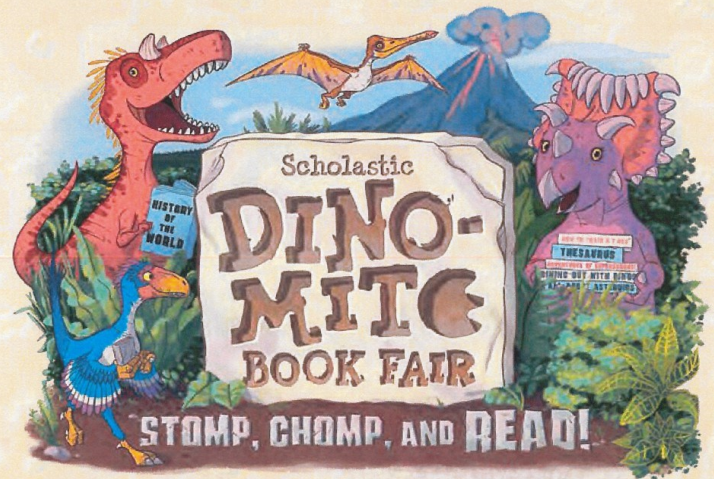


Congratulations to all our January & February Elementary Award recipients who received awards on February 28th.

Pink Shirt Day 2019



Come to Our



NEW Location: St. Anthony School Library

Dates & Times: March 18th—22nd 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

March 20th & 21st 4:30pm—7:30pm.

For more information, contact Mrs. Gramlich: tracy.gramlich@starcatholic.ab.ca

All purchases benefit our school!

See you at the Book Fair!

SCHOLASTIC



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 **MUST** 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.



1st—Boys & Girls Club closed

4th & 5th—Mrs. McConnell's class swimming

5th—Grade 7 Ski Trip to Rabbit Hill, Shrove Tuesday Pancake lunch

6th, 11th, 13th, 18th & 20th—Miss Alonso's class swimming

6th—Ash Wednesday Liturgy @ 1:45

8th—NO SCHOOL—PD Day

10th—Time Change; Spring Ahead

14th, 18th, 19th, 20th & 21st—Mrs. Prentice/Mr. Naugle's class swimming

14th—2nd Term Report Cards go home, Tim Horton's Snack Day.

15th—Adoration, School Spirit Day—Rainbow Day; The rainbow is an important symbol in the Bible, representing a promise of peace from God to Noah. To celebrate our faith, and tie in St. Patrick's Day, we decided to celebrate the rainbow. Students and staff are encouraged to display one or all colors of the rainbow through their attire.

16th & 17th—NASP Provincial Tournament—Edmonton Expo Centre

20th—Kindergarten—Grade 6 Student Led Conferences 4:30—6:30, Grades 7 & 8 Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:30—7:30

21st—Kindergarten—Grade 6 Student Led Conferences 4:30—6:30, Grades 7 & 8 Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:30—7:30

25th—29th NO SCHOOL Spring Break

April 1st—First day of classes after Spring Break



**Confirmation classes will be every Tuesday, starting March 5th until May 14th. 5:00pm-6:30pm in the Seminar Room (no classes on March 26th as it is Spring Break).

**Archery practice is every Wednesday in the gym.

**Running Club will resume every Monday, starting Monday April 8th.



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](https://www.facebook.com/StAnthonySchoolDraytonValley)