

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



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1st—3rd **Christmas Vacation**



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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 Mrs. Flewell, Mr. Naugle, and Mrs. Miller for preparing our students for the beautiful Christmas concerts, as well as to the many staff that planned and rehearsed with the students. Thank you also 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

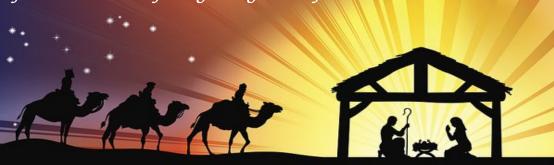


School Council would like to thank everyone who attended the 11th Annual Winter Wonderland Fair, it was another successful event! We would like to send a HUGE Thank You to the following-Archi Worx Consulting - Karrie Jones, Tipped By Jackie, Webb Family, Stitches N' Dreams, DV Thunder, Independent Grocer, Home Hardware, Dunn Right, Patterson Power, Stepping Stones, Affinity Yoga, Valley Fleet, River Rock, Family Dental, Doef's Greenhouse, Norwex - Laura Delesalle, Penner Portrait Photography, Beyond Beauty Salon and SpaSunkissed Laser and Spa, Century 21 - Roger McKinnon, Ward Family, Mrs. Trish Molzan, Panago Pizza, Brandette Well Servicing Ltd., All Choice Rentals Ltd., The Bannard Family, PSC - Parel Services and Consulting, everyone who gave anonymous donations, all of our St. Anthony Families who contributed to class baskets and bake sale items. Please accept our sincere apology if we may have unfortunately not mentioned you above, but know we thank you too.

Please join us for the first Council Meeting 2020, January 20th @7:00 pm, babysitting provided.

From the staff at St. Anthony School;

May Jesus always be your joy, your hope, your song. And may this Christmas and each day of the new year be directed by His guiding hand of love!



Advent Wreath Blessing



Choir @ Shangri-La Lodge



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4 y/o Preschool Christmas Concerts













The Living Nativity





















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Kindergarten—Grade 6 Christmas Concerts



Important Items: 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 \Diamond get the answering machine, please leave a detailed 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 \Diamond 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 \Diamond sign in/out at the office.
- \Diamond 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 \Diamond 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. <u>Only in cases of emergency, we will</u> 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 \Diamond our recesses. The Division's weather policy is to have students stay indoors only if the weather is minus 25 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 \Diamond 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-New Years Day

6th—First Day of classes 2020

8th—Elementary Recognition Awards

9th—11:00 am New Year's Mass at St. Anthony church

- 15th—Mrs. Shearer's grade 4 class swimming, 2020-2021 School year Preschool Registration 6:00 pm, 2020-2021 School year Kindergarten Registration 7:00 pm
- 16th—Mrs. Shearer's grade 4 class swimming, Tim Horton's Snack Day
- 20th Mrs. Shearer's grade 4 class swimming, Parent Council Meeting 7:00pm, babysitting is provided.

21st—Mrs. Shearer's grade 4 class swimming

22nd—Spirit Day, Mrs. Shearer's grade 4 class swimming

23rd—Mr. Naugle's grade 3 class swimming

27th—Family Literacy Day, Mr. Naugle's grade 3 class swimming

28th—Mr. Naugle's grade 3 class swimming

29th—Elementary Recognition Awards, Mr. Naugle's grade 3 class swimming

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

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