



Dear SAA parents/guardians

We continue to plan for the start of the 2018/19 school year at Sister Alphonse Academy. We hope to provide you with weekly bulletins for the remainder of June and then update bulletins in July and August as we prepare for the big day on September 4, 2018.

### Updates

The school is very close to 97% completion. We are hopeful that after June 15 we will be able to have parents and the public begin to tour the building. Completion and installation of furniture and equipment will continue after that. Please be sure to access our [website](#) for more information regarding times and dates when you will be able to tour the building. Please be advised that our school will be open throughout much of the summer and on some evenings with the exception of holidays and Fridays. Check our calendar on the website for more information regarding this.

Our Playground Committee has selected **Kid Nation** to supply and install equipment for two play areas. They have been and will continue to work very hard to successfully meet our goal of having our playgrounds installed by September 4. We will be publishing 3D drawings of the playground design on our website in the near future.

Supply Lists and Spirit/Formal Wear information can be found on the website by clicking [here](#). We are hopeful that all parents will consider purchasing some spirit wear and a formal sweater. A reminder to parents of students in grade 4 – 9 that all students are expected to have a robust device – Chromebook, tablet, iPad, laptop for use in school.

On Friday our staff met during the PD/Staff meeting Day to continue to plan for the start of the school year. We had a great day and both myself and Mrs. Kleparchuk feel really blessed with the amazing staff that we have currently. We are excited about the energy, ideas and plans that we continue to make for the school year.

Currently our enrollment has fluctuated over the last couple of weeks. We expect that once people can enter the building we will receive additional registrations throughout June and the

summer months. Because our enrolment numbers continue to change daily we will delay the sending out of our Option Selection Form to students in grade 4-9 until a later date as enrolment does play a big part in the options that can be offered. If you have changed your mind in regards to registration please notify our secretary Mrs. Despins by calling her at 780-459-7711 or email at [sdespins@gsacrd.ab.ca](mailto:sdespins@gsacrd.ab.ca). Having accurate registration numbers does help us to plan effectively.

Please mark down Thursday, August 30 on your calendar. On this day between 4:00 and 6:00 pm you will be able to come with your children to find out who their teacher will be and meet them. Students will also be challenged to fill out a pass book and take some pictures of people and rooms in the school. This will give them an opportunity to become acquainted with their teacher and the new building. We will send out information in August and further details regarding this.

For parents of children in ECS, we will be calling you sometime before the end of June to schedule a small orientation visit prior to the start of the school year. This will be in late August. Students in Kindergarten will also have a staggered start to begin the school year. Your child will start on either September 4 or September 5.

As always, please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions. We encourage you to continue to monitor our website at <https://www.saa.gsacrd.ab.ca/> and to check the Principals Blog <https://www.saa.gsacrd.ab.ca/principals-blog> for regular updates.

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