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SAA Bulletin # 3 Thursday, September 20

Take a look at some of the learning that took place in our school this week!



Students at SAA COOPERATE!







We have been focusing on taking turns and sharing. We gathered together in our Spirit house teams and everyone learns together.

Students at SAA are CREATIVE!









Students in the design studies dynamic option have create 3D models of their shoes. We are building the skill set and developing resilience to design and print with our 3D printers!

Students at SAA are Collaborators!

We brainstormed what it means to Serve, Achieve and Aspire here at SAA! Our big buds are lending a hand to our younger students.







School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! Sept. 24 - 28

Monday (24)	Look for paper correspondence in your child's backpack
Tuesday (25)	SAA Terry Fox Run - 1:15 pm - Students are asked to bring a Loonie. Volunteers needed see below Lock Down Drill AM
Wednesday (26)	Picture Day - Students will have individual photos taken by ICON during the morning. Check your children's backpack for important information on how to order.

Thursday (27)	SAA Spirit Wear Day - Have you child wear their SAA Spirit Wear or Blue or Green Fire Drill
Friday (28)	Wear an Orange Shirt - Every child matters! Fire Drill

No School ALL on Friday, September 21

Just a reminder that it is a Staff Meeting/PD Day on the 21st. Staff will be attending an inservice called Words Their Way. This workshop will give teachers more strategies for assessing, interpreting and the designing new activities to teach children spelling. Since this is a Full Day Workshop we will have our staff meeting after school on Thursday. Thanks for supporting our Friday Staff Meeting/PD Model.

Terry Fox Run

On **Tuesday, September 25** students in kindergarten to grade seven will be participating in a Terry Fox Run. AM kindergarten students will run in the morning. We are asking all students to bring in a donation of a toonie for the Terry Fox Foundation. Students will be running at approximately 1:30 pm. We require <u>parent volunteers</u> to help with the event. Call the school on Monday or email Mr. Lamer or Mrs. Kleparchuk. We would like 4 - 6 volunteers to be at the school from about 12:45 pm to about 2:15 pm to assist with the run and cut up fruit.

Due to the ongoing construction around the school and in the neighborhood we have made a decision that all students will run on the small field to the south of our school. Next year we hope that we will be able to send our students in grade four and up on a course outside of the school property.

Picture Day

On the morning of **Wednesday, September 26** ICON will be here to take individual student pictures. Depending on weather pictures could be taken inside or outside. Icon may use green screen technology so they would recommend that students not wear green on this day. Here are some details related to their program:

- 1. **Students will have a minimum of 3 poses** This will give parents additional pictures to choose from and photographers the ability to capture a little more of the student's personality.
- 2. Complete Online Service Icon is proud to say they have a user friendly program which makes ordering online much more convenient to parents and guardians. Parents can view all the poses close up, compare the poses side by side, and change the background on pictures that were taken indoors on our virtual background. Each gallery is personalized to the student and secured with an online proof code.
- 3. Online Order Forms Step-by-step instructions will be provided for you to students on photo day. Images will be available to view within 2-3 business days. The Icon online ordering system has a secure PCI compliant terminal and accepts, visa, mastercard, visa debit and pre-paid visa/mastercard. Parents who cannot order online can call Icon Customer Service directly and they will provide an alternative ordering method.
- 4. **Family Discount -** Icon has updated and simplified their family discount plan 15% discount on all orders over \$75.00. This high volume plan will offer savings to everyone and not just families with multiple children. Code is: FAMILY18.
- **5. Package Delivery -** All portrait orders will be shipped directly home (FREE shipping period (7-10 days) then a shipping fee of \$4.95 applied approximately 10-15 business days from the order date.

Emergency Evacuation Drills

We were able to practice two fire drills. This week we will complete one or two more Fire Drills and also practice a Lock Down Drill during the week(weather permitting). We will always notify our students that we are running a drill.

Playground A is Open

Mother Nature finally cooperated and Playground A is open. Unfortunately due to the snow and bad weather the completion of Playground B will likely occur sometime this coming week.

We have Spirit, Yes We Do, We Have Spirit How About You!

After seven days of spirit activities our students have decided that our school teams will be called the **Knights**. This was a popular choice amongst all the eight houses. Students from K-7 described a knight as being strong and honorable. A knight serves others and was known for being loyal, responsible and respectful of others. Students are looking forward to the biggest hide and seek game ever.

Read-in-Week

Read-In Week is a special event that helps us celebrate the joy of reading with our students. To increase awareness of the importance of reading, we will be celebrating Read-In Week from October 1st – 5th, 2018. Parents, family members and members of our community are invited to come to our school to read. *Please see you child's bag on Monday for more information.

Check the Backpack on Mondays

Generally, we will try to send paper correspondence on Monday. However, there are times when we will need to send correspondence on other nights. This week you should be checking your child's backpack on Tuesday and Wednesday as well!

Orange Shirt Day - Friday, September 28

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis Webstad's story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and we continue to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually. The date was chosen because it is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to residential schools, and because it is an opportunity to set the stage for anti-racism and anti-bullying policies for the coming school year. Orange Shirt Day is an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

If possible, have your child wear ORANGE on Friday, September 28.

Grade 3 SLA

Parents of students in grade three should expect to receive information on Monday regarding the SLA assessment that will be delivered to grade three students between October 1 and November 5. Check your child's backpack on Monday.

Deep Learning

Last week we asked you to think about what deep learning might be. This week we would suggest that a deep learning moment might be described as a "light bulb" moment, but it goes beyond that. Students who are involved in activities that promote deep learning begin to see how concepts or things are interconnected. It involves using foundational knowledge to construct new knowledge at higher levels and to apply it in new situations. All teachers strive to involve students in activities that will promote deep learning. The interesting thing is that all students are different and we all learn in different ways, that's why it is important to provide learning activities in a number of different ways.

2018/19 School Fees

We should have our school fees posted on our website and listed in School Cash Online by the end of next week. Please pay your school fees promptly and we are hoping you will consider doing it online via School Cash.

