

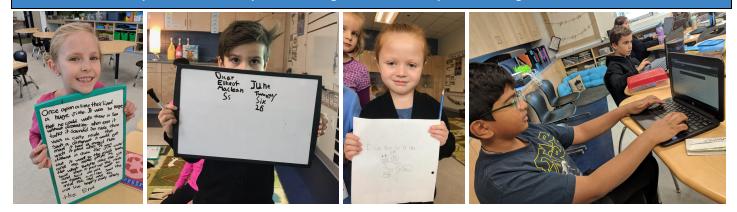
SAA Bulletin # 11 - Friday, Nov. 16 Take a look at some of the learning and activities that took place in our school this week



Lest We Forget - Students and staff at Sister Alphonse Academy Remember



Students at Sister Alphonse Academy are working hard to develop their writing.



Students at Sister Alphonse Academy SING beautifully together!



School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! Nov. 19 - 22

Monday (19)	Gr. ¾ Swimming Lesson at Fountain Park Pool - Don't forget the swim gear Gr. 7 Field Trip to Jubilee Auditorium for Hey, Riel!(musical)
Tuesday (20)	Parent/Teacher Interviews - 5:00 - 8:00 pm - All interviews are booked online. School Interview Link
Wednesday (21)	Parent/Teacher Interviews - 3:30 - 6:30 pm - All interviews are booked online. <u>School Interview Link</u>
Thursday (22)	SAA Spirit Wear Day - Have your child wear their SAA Spirit Wear or blue and/or green clothing Booster Juice Hot Lunch Day - Order deadline was Nov. 13 NO SNACK SHACK Toonie Toss at lunch recess

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Remembrance Day Ceremony

We would like to thank all parents and friends of Sister Alphonse Academy who joined us to honor all those who have sacrificed so much during our Remembrance Day Ceremony. We appreciate it when you join us!

Report Cards and Interviews

Please check your child's backpack as those children in grade 1 - 6 were sent home with a Term 1 report card to share with you. Once you have taken a minute to look it over spend some time with your child to share their accomplishments and discuss a goal for next term. Parent/Teacher Interview dates are Tuesday, Nov. 20/18 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm and Wednesday, Nov. 21/18 from 3:30 - 6:30 pm. In checking the online Interview Booking system we have noticed that nearly all of our parents have booked interviews, thank you for doing this! If you have not yet done this use the <u>School Interviews Link</u> to book an appointment. Once the link is open you should be able to go directly in and book your interview(s). If asked enter ACCESS CODE - sstra. Interview appointments for students in grade 1-7 will be 15 minutes long. ECS Student Led appointments will be 30 minutes. In Junior High parents may book interviews with individual subject teachers. Call our school office at 780-809-2996 if you are encountering any difficulties.

Term 1 Field Trip/Dynamic Option Fee Payments

If your child was on a Field Trip in the first term or had some extra fees associated with some Dynamic Options you will find a letter indicating the charges. Kindly pay by December 15, 2018. We hope that you will use School Cash Online but we will accept cash/cheque at the school office.

2017/18 School Fees

Mrs. Despins and school administration would like to thank our parent community for looking after the payment of our basic school fees. We have now received 100% confirmation of all payments, we really appreciate that you have looked after this important task.

Interview Schedule

We would ask all of our parents to be mindful of your scheduled Parent/Teacher interview time. If you feel like you need more than 15 minutes with your child's teacher we would ask that you end your interview and schedule a time in the near future after school when the teacher is available. Staying on schedule allows for the smooth operation of our Parent/Teacher interviews. If for some reason you are unable to make your scheduled appointment please let your child's teacher or our office staff know so that we can open up your appointment time to somebody else.

No School - Friday, Nov. 23

A reminder that the school will be closed and there are no classes for students K - 7 in lieu of Parent Interviews that take place on Tuesday and Wednesday evening.

SAA 2018-19 Yearbook

We are happy to announce that we have had enough parents indicate that they would be willing to purchase a yearbook. We are grateful to Mrs. Sandra Kosik-Loewen who will help interested students put together our 28 page soft cover yearbook. Details regarding the ordering of yearbooks will come in January of 2019! Tell your kids to wear their smile. We will also be asking interested students to design the cover for our yearbook based upon the theme that will be chosen, stay tuned for more information related to this.

Knights Logo

We were unsuccessful in finding a Graphic Artist who would be willing to volunteer to help our students work through the process of creating a logo. We are currently negotiating with three local Graphic Artists to contract this task. The successful contractor will gather input from those students who submitted ideas for our logo. Stay tuned, our goal is to have our Knights logo created by end of January.

SAA Spirit Wear Clothing

We have decided to delay the next Spirit Wear clothing order until we complete the Knights Logo. We feel that some parents may want to purchase spirit wear that would also include our Knights Logo. We will look at arranging for another clothing order sometime in the new year.

Toonies for Turkeys

Don't forget our leadership students are asking students to bring a toonie. This money will be forwarded to the St. Albert Kinettes Christmas Hamper Project to buy turkeys for the hampers. We will keep track of the toonies by pasting a feather on a turkey. Each student who brings a toonie will have their name on a feather. On Thursday students who bring a toonie will have an opportunity to win some prizes in the toonie toss.

Basketball Coach(s)

We are currently looking for volunteers who would be interested in coaching or helping to coach a junior boys or girls basketball team at SAA. Please call(780-809-2996) or email (<u>glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca</u>) Mr. Lamer - if you are interested. Please be advised that all coaches would require recent Criminal and Child Welfare checks to be completed and handed in.

St. Albert Resource Centre Fall Programs for Kids

Check out some evening dates and PD Day programs on Nov. 23 and Dec. 7 for children aged 6 - 12 hosted by the St. Albert Family Resource Centre. Fall Programs Link

SAA School Council News

The **next meeting of School Council is on Wednesday, January 16 @6:30 pm**. Full minutes of our meetings are posted the month after they are approved on our <u>school website</u>. Some highlights of our November meeting. We welcomed our Trustee Liaison Mrs. Serena Shaw. School administration presented the school <u>2018/19 Education Plan</u>. The plan is built upon the 21st Century learning Framework that has been developed by the school and also lists priorities around our Faith goals. We are excited by the work that has been done and the priorities and goals that have been set. In January our Council will begin to build our School Council plan that will support our schools Education Plan. Our Council has decided to contact the Alberta School Council Association about a workshop that provides parent groups with information about the creation of a Fundraising Society. We hope to arrange for this workshop sometime in late January or February. At our meeting we decided to move forward with some initiatives and hope that we can count on your support.

- We are looking for parents who would volunteer to be a Class Representative at School Council. The role of the the Representative would be to attend Council meetings and provide a parent perspective (input-suggestions) for council at the grade level of the class they represent. If you are interested in serving as a Class Rep please contact either Mr. Lamer or Mrs. Kleparchuk and plan on attending our next meeting on Jan. 16.
- 2. We are looking for parents who would like to volunteer to be part of our Partners in Prayer Group at Sister Alphonse Academy. These parents would gather once a month to pray for the intentions submitted by students and staff throughout the month. A prayer format is provided by the Church and it usually requires about a 45 minute prayer gathering per month. If you are interested in serving as part of a Partners in Prayer Group please contact either Mr. Lamer or Mrs. Kleparchuk before the end of November.
- 3. We are looking for somebody to serve as a Volunteer Coordinator. This person's main responsibility would be to contact parents who have submitted their names to provide help/support events and/or activities throughout the school year.

During Parent/Teacher Interviews School Council will have a table set up where parents may provide their name and number to volunteer for some events/activities that are coming up and/or a general list for events in the future. If you are interested in helping out in one or a number of events please stop by and add your name. Last, we encourage parents to consider coming to our monthly meetings. Our meetings run from 6:30 to 8:00 pm and we feel that you have an excellent opportunity to learn more about the Education System and provide input to our Trustees. In addition we hope to have a few short workshops before the start of meetings on topics suggested by parents. Next meeting we are planning a short workshop for parents on Google Classroom and the Powerschool Parent portal for parents in grade seven. Stay tuned for more information.

St. Albert Parish News

Filipino Feast Fundraiser

Our Young Adults Group is hosting a fundraising dinner on November 24th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall! Come feast on Filipino food! Tickets are \$30 and will be available this weekend after all Masses and at the Parish office.

Advent Penitential Celebration

Our Advent Penitential Celebration will take place on Wednesday, December 5, at 7:00 pm in the main church. There will be a reception in the parish hall following the service. Please bring a plate of goodies to share with others.

Click on the <u>SAP Parish Link</u> to access the weekly bulletin for St. Albert Catholic Parish.

Holy Family Parish News

Ukrainian Night Nov. 24 @ 6:00 pm

Power in My Hands

St. Albert Parish is showing the movie, "Power in my Hands" on December 8th at 1:30 pm in the Church hall. It is a movie/documentary about praying the rosary.

<u>Bake Sale</u>

CWL is hosting a Bake Sale after all Masses or until sold out on Saturday, November 17th and Sunday, November 18th with proceeds going to Raise the Roof project. Bake Sale will include CWL homemade scrumptious tourtieres and tarts. We are accepting baking donations from our parishioners! Baking donations can be dropped off on Saturday, November 17th between 1:00—5:00 pm.

Click on the <u>HF Parish Link</u> to access the weekly bulletin for Holy Family Parish

