



Students at SAA enjoy Maker Space Challenge in the Learning Commons. Design a Christmas tree using only plasticine or pipe cleaners.



Students at SAA are COLLABORATORS and INVENTORS - Here is the 2/3 class and their Legal School buddies



Students in grade 6 at SAA take part in an awesome learning opportunity all week at the Alberta Legislature



Students in grade 7 at SAA investigate career opportunities related to their unit of study on Interactions and Ecosystems



School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! Dec. 3 - 7

Monday (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Gr. 2/3 Swimming Lesson at Fountain Park Pool - Have your child bring their swim gear -1st Week of Advent - Monday Liturgy -Permission forms go home for Christmas Movie - Walking to Landmark Theatre(Tuesday, Dec. 18)Check backpack -Christmas Concert Tickets on Sale via School Cash Online -Christmas Stocking Stuffer Classroom Project begins(see below) -School Wide Advent Welcome Basket Project begins - Check backpack for list of suggested items(see below)Thanks for your generosity and helping to welcome a new family - Presentation by Catholic Social Services on Refugee Program - Jr. Basketball Tryout 3:10 - 4:00 pm (Gr. 6-7)see below
Tuesday (4)	Christmas Concert Tickets on Sale via School Cash
Wednesday (5)	Last Day to order Christmas Concert Tickets before they are released to other families Gr. 7 Edmonton Energy Efficiency Regional Youth Summit at MacEwan University
Thursday (6)	Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day Remainder of Christmas Concert tickets go on sale at the school office Gr. 7 Edmonton Energy Efficiency Regional Youth Summit at MacEwan University
Friday (7)	No School All - Staff Meeting/PD Day Remainder of Christmas Concert tickets on sale at the school office

Christmas Concert Ticket Sales

A reminder that parents have until Wednesday, Dec. 5 to purchase your guaranteed tickets(up to 6 per family) for our Christmas Concert online through School Cash. The Christmas Concert is on Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 pm. Beginning Dec. 6 - Dec. 12 any tickets left will be available at the office on a first come first serve basis. Tickets will be sold for \$3 per ticket. **Tickets purchased via School Cash will be sent home with the youngest child in the family on Monday, Dec. 10.** Parents are reminded that they **ARE NOT** to purchase tickets for students of SAA in K-6. Students will have a chance to see the concert in the morning during a school wide Dress Rehearsal. During the concert children will remain in their homeroom class where they will be involved in classroom activities. Proceeds from ticket sales will go to our music program, to alleviate costs associated with the concert and \$1 of every ticket will be used to support our Welcome Baskets for Catholic Social Services. We thank you for your support.

Concert Dress Rehearsal

We will be having a Dress Rehearsal for the concert on Wednesday, Dec. 12th at 8:50 am. We are not planning to have parents/family view the Dress Rehearsal but we do understand that there may be some extenuating circumstances where a parents only option would be to attend the Rehearsal. Please call us if that is the case, we will try to accommodate those circumstances. A reminder that the rehearsal is a practice. Thanks for your understanding.

Welcome Baskets for Refugee Families - ADVENT Project

As a culminating activity of our school wide Read-Aloud we hope to have every student contribute to the creation of Welcome Baskets for a refugee family. We will start this project on Monday December 3rd, the first week of Advent. On Monday students will be given a list of items and we hope that they can bring in an item or two to contribute to the baskets.

Stocking Stuffer Activity

A reminder that each student has been asked to bring a stocking(can be a regular large sock) to hang in their class during December. Each student will also be asked to provide one gift(could be a complimentary message, drawing or picture, small gift or a small treat) for each member of their class. **Please** if providing a treat or tiny gift(should be less than 1\$ in value)

Advent Joy - Home Activity

For those families that returned interest forms to participate in the Advent-Joyt Home Activity. Students will begin to bring these home starting on Monday and throughout December. We hope you will enjoy this activity as a family and ask you to promptly return the package the next day so another family can enjoy it.

Monday Advent Liturgy Gatherings

Beginning Monday, December 3 and then Monday, December 10 and 17 we will be gathering first thing in the morning as a school community to prepare our hearts for Christmas during the Advent season. Parents are welcome to join us during these short liturgies which will last about 10 minutes first thing every Monday morning. On all other days during December classes will have short Advent reflections and prayer to begin their day.

Permission Forms for Movie at Landmark Cinema

Please check your child's backpack for the parent permission form to attend the movie on December 18 at Landmark Cinema. Thank you for completing this task promptly and returning the form by the end of the week to your child's teacher.

LED Media Wall

Our LED Media Wall has been installed. We are crossing our fingers that everything will be set up and working for the concert on the 12th of December.

Gr. 6 Week at the Legislature

What a week! Our grade six students were officially introduced and recognized during the legislative assembly early this past week. They were engaged in many activities throughout the week and had a hands on opportunity to see how government works. We would like to thank all the parents who accompanied the students and Mr. Brass this past week.

Gr. 3/4 Welcomed Legal School Buddies

For the past number of weeks our students have been pondering the question - How do We Welcome Others? In Mrs. Trenchard's grade 3/4 classroom the students have become classroom pals with students in Legal School. They have been corresponding over the last couple of weeks using technology. On Wednesday they hosted their new buddies at our school. They spent their day playing and learning together. One part of the day had Legal and Sister Alphonse Academy working in groups recording themselves explaining how to play games. Another way to make the learning more authentic and have students refine and work on collaboration and communication skills that will prepare them for the 21st Century world of work!

Term 1 Extra Fee Payments - REMINDER

If your child was on a Field Trip in the first term or had some extra fees associated with some Dynamic Options you received a letter indicating the charges with your child's Report card. A reminder that these fees are due December 15, 2018. We hope that you will use School Cash Online but we will accept cash/cheque at the school office. If you have any questions or require clarification regarding these fees please contact Mrs. Despina in our school office.

Thanks for your Generosity

We would like to thank all of our families who helped contribute and support the following projects:

1. St Albert Legion Poppy Sales - \$69
2. St. Albert Kinettes Toonies for Turkeys - \$150

We appreciate your support and hope that you will support our Advent Welcome Basket project

Reminder - No Peanuts or Nuts

Please be respectful of those students in our school that can have severe anaphylactic reactions to peanuts or nuts. Currently we have a few students in our school where this is the case. This would mean no peanut butter sandwiches or treats that have peanuts or nuts. A reminder that severe allergic reactions can strike a child or adult at any time.

No School December 7 - Staff Meeting/PD Day

On Friday, December 7th our school staff will be starting the morning with our monthly staff meeting. For the second part of the morning we will be participating in PD on Tiered Instruction and Higher level Questions and Thinking Skills. In the afternoon our staff will continue our work and collaboration around Inquiry Based Learning. Thank you for supporting our Friday PD/Staff Meeting Day model.

Jr. Basketball

We will be holding a practice after school on Monday, December 3 for students in grade six and seven to determine interest for junior girls and junior boys basketball. The practice will begin at 3:10 pm and finish at 4:00 pm. Additional practices will be announced later in the week.

Thanks Mr. Manderson

We would like to thank Mr. Jon Mandersen who came and spoke to Mrs. McKinnon's grade 7 science class about the Forestry program at NAIT. This is a career related to their Interactions and Ecosystem's Unit. Students learned about what strengths a person should have if interested in this career path and the different responsibilities in this field. He was awesome! He came in with a slideshow about his typical post-secondary school day and lots of pictures about his education in the field. It was obvious to our class that he is very passionate about his career choice.

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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.

Christmas Eve Masses

5:00 pm (featuring the Children's Pageant), 7:30 pm, 10:00 pm, Midnight

If your child is interested in participating in the Christmas pageant which will take place at the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer of the church or contact Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca. The practices will take place on December 9 after the 11:00 am Mass.

Christmas Day Masses

9:00 am, 11:00 am

Click on the [SAP Parish Link](#) 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.

Amoris Laetitia

A Presentation on Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation with a focus on the Holy Family. December 12, 13, 14 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Call the parish office to register.

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