

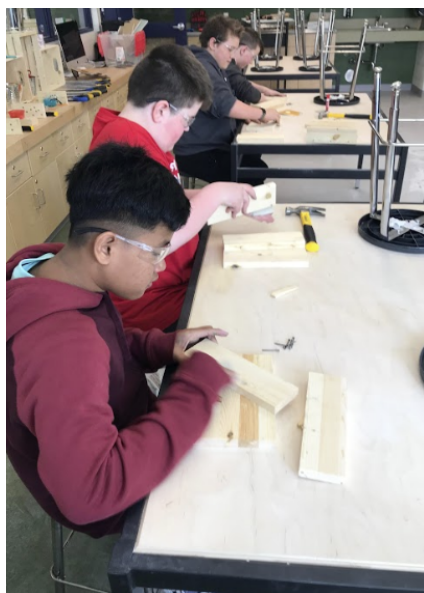
Students at SAA participate in democracy. Grade 6 & 7 Students participated in Student Vote Alberta. Thousands of students across the province were provided the opportunity to experience the voting process firsthand.



Students at SAA in K - 3 meet a horse named Sox. Later in the spring they will get to go out to a farm and learn more about Sox and his horse friends and then have an opportunity to read to the horses. This is part of the Arabian Horse Reading Literacy project.



Gr. 4-7 students enjoy their Options. Creativity, collaboration, critical thinking and communication are skills that are required, being developed and refined in the term 3 foods, fashion, coding and construction options.



School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! April 22 - 26

Monday (22)	School Closed - Easter Monday Holiday
Tuesday (23)	Classes Resume for all Students K - 7 Class Pictures and individual pictures for any new students or students that were absent in September.(AM) Badminton Team Practice - 3:00 to 4:15 pm
Wednesday (24)	Grade 3/4 Field Trip to Legal School

Thursday (25)	<p>Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day</p> <p>K-1 Swimming Lesson at Fountain Park Pool</p> <p>Easter Lunch - Made at the school (must have been pre-ordered by April 20th)</p> <p>Easter Resurrection Mass at SAP@1:30 pm - All students in grade 1 - 7 will be bussed to and from St. Albert Parish Church for an Easter Mass. Students from Albert Lacombe and Bertha Kennedy Schools will join us.</p>
Friday (26)	No School All - Staff Meeting PD Day

Happy Easter - From all of us at Sister Alphonse Academy. We wish all our families a blessed and Happy Easter. A reminder that the School is closed on Good Friday, April 19 and Easter Monday, April 22.

Easter Prayer

God's blessing rest upon you and your family, this Happy Easter Day.
 God make His joy to shine as sunlight on your way;
 God fill your heart with song so glad it will not cease;
 God bless you and your family with love and joy and peace.



April 26 - PD/Staff Meeting Day

A reminder that there is no classes for students on Friday, April 26 for all students. On the morning of April 26 staff at SAA will join colleagues from across the District to take part in a workshop morning. Staff will have the opportunity to take part in two 1.5 hour sessions or one 3 hour session of their choosing. In the afternoon staff will have their regular monthly staff meetings. Thank you for supporting our PD/Staff Meeting model in GSACRD.

Recreation Academy Registration - Reserve Your Child's Spot Now

Recreation Academy is now accepting registrations for students who were not registered in Recreation Academy last year, including students who are currently attending SAA and will be in grade four to eight next year. **We plan to offer Rec. Academy to a group of students in 4-6 and a group in Junior High. Each class can only accommodate up to 23 students so it is critical that parents register early to ensure a spot.** The program will run two days a week, elementary students in the morning, Junior High students in the afternoon Monday and Wednesday. If your child is currently in Rec. Academy and you have not confirmed registration for next year we would advise you to do so as soon as possible. For more information contact the school office or Mr. Geoff Giacobbo at 780-459-4478. Click on the [Rec Academy Link](#) to learn more about this great program with our school and District.

Partners in Prayer

Would you be interested in meeting once a month with other parent volunteers to pray for intentions submitted by students and staff. If so, please email Mr. Lamer - glamer@gscard.ab.ca. He will put you in contact with a couple of other parents who have volunteered to support our school in this special way.

April 23 - Class Pictures

Please be advised that Icon Photography will return to SAA to take individual pictures of any new students to our school after retakes in the fall and to take class pictures. Pictures would be taken first thing in the morning and could be taken outside if the weather cooperates.

School Easter Mass - Thursday, April 25 at St. Albert Parish

Please be advised that all students in grade one to seven will be attending a school Easter Mass at St. Albert Parish on Thursday, April 25 at 1:30 pm. All parents have previously provided consent for this activity through the General Consent form that was signed in the 2018/19 Registration package. Students will be bussed to and from St. Albert Parish on this day. If you have questions please do not hesitate to call the school. Some parent volunteers will be required.

Approximate Itinerary

Leave SAA to travel to SAP at 1:05 pm.
 Mass from 1:30 to 2:25 pm
 Leave SAP to return to SAA at 2:30 pm.

Hot Lunch Ordering for April and May is Open

A reminder for all parents to go to [School Cash Online](#) and place orders for hot lunches in April and May as soon as possible. Please note the date change for Bar Burrito as we had to change the date.

BAR BURRITO May 7

BOOSTER JUICE May 23

***If you want to order lunch for Easter Lunch on April 25th, you must order by Saturday April 20th.**

REMINDER: Yearbook Purchase Update and Reminders

A reminder that yearbooks cannot be purchased/ordered after the closing date in mid-May. Parents can purchase a yearbook by going into School Cash right now.

Spirit Wear Clothing

We are now in the process of picking a new Spirit Wear Clothing company. We are hopeful to be able to give parents one more opportunity to order clothing before the end of the school year. Stay tuned for more information.

[St. Albert Parish News](#)

Blue Sunday - May 5@ 11:00 am SAP

"Blue Sunday" Started in 1934 in Washington DC as a way of celebrating and thanking Police and Firefighters who risked their lives for the betterment of the community. The celebration now includes all those First Responders who make our country and community safe. This year is the 14th annual celebration of "Blue Sunday" in St. Albert. The Knights of Columbus and St. Albert Parish wish to invite all First Responders including the Military, Fire Service, Police Officers, Peace Officers, Correction Officers, EMS and all others who work with them to this special Sunday event. This is one way to recognize and say thank you to all serving and retired personnel who have served and have protected us and who, on a daily basis, make the community a safer place to live in. There will be a special intention for our guests and, after Mass, all First Responders will be called to the altar area for acknowledgement and a special blessing. Afterwards, a "pancake breakfast" will be provided for them and their families. This acknowledgement is a small gesture and our way to say "Thank You, We appreciate your work" and an opportunity for personal interaction with the community. This is also an opportunity for First Responders to experience the support and appreciation the community has for them and the work they do. All are welcome. It is not necessary to be of the Catholic faith to participate. Please plan to arrive prior to Mass so seating can be arranged for you to sit with your coworkers and/or your families.

Help for Cyclone Victims

A devastating cyclone that hit Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi has claimed more than 700 lives and left more than two million people homeless. Development and Peace is now accepting donations which will go to Caritas partners working on disaster relief in the region. Donations can be made online at devp.org, specifying Emergency - Cyclone Idai, by phone to 1-888-234-8533, or by cheque to Development and Peace, 1425 René-Lévesque Blvd West, Third Floor, Montréal, Québec, H3G 1T7.

Star of the North Retreat Centre Celtic & Indigenous Spiritualities:

Wisdom for Healing and Reconciliation Richard Groves, Ann Jacob and Stan Tomandl will facilitate this retreat. What can the Celtic Christian and Indigenous spiritualities, as wisdom traditions, offer us on the path of healing and reconciliation? How might we further truth and reconciliation in relationship with the many voices of our time calling for greater awareness and healing for peoples and the environment? This special event will also introduce and celebrate a new collaboration between The Star of the North Retreat Centre and Sacred Art of Living Centre's two-year spiritual formation program, "ANAMCARA Project.". Sunday, April 28, 1 -4 pm. \$25/ person. Register one week before program date at starofthenorth.ca or 780-459-5511. Need financial assistance? Ask for a subsidy application form.

Covenant Foundation Presents the 25th Annual Youville Home Golf Classic

The tournament will be on Wednesday, July 10 at Sturgeon Valley Golf & Country Club. A \$250 registration fee, per golfer, includes golf & cart, buffet lunch, BBQ Dinner, Prizes and more! Proceeds support the development of Youville Home multipurpose room and greenhouse. Contact Deborah 780-342-8576 or Deborah.McKinnon@covenanthealth.ca

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[Holy Family Parish News](#)

A Hard Day's Knight

Dinner, Dance & Silent Auction, featuring live entertainment by a Beatles tribute band, May 11th at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$40 each and are available after all weekend Masses. Proceeds to Holy Family Parish roof repair. For more information contact: Maurice Pasternak 780-458-1660 or Joe Becigneul 780-460-8710.

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