

SAA Bulletin #36 Friday, May 31

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



Grade one and kindergarten students went on a field trip to SAVE-ON Foods.









Grade one and kindergarten students at SAA learn about healthy eating from a Food Impact presentation.









Grade 2/3 students at SAA read to a horse. They were part of the Arabian Horse Reading Literacy Project. One of the students said, "The horse was a good listener but sometimes it tickled my ears."







Kindergarten and Grade one students at SAA sing for their parents and grandparents.



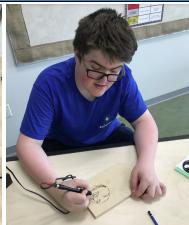




Gr. 7 Construction Option learn to use wood burning tools.







K - 7 students participated in a Faith Retreat which focused on being welcoming and including everyone, it's part of being a good steward. At the end of the day students were encouraged to reflect and offer a message to others and then "read what u need".













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

Monday (3)	Kindergarten Walking Field Trip to Love Pizza(weather permitting)
Tuesday (4)	K-1 Field Trip to Arabian Horse Farm SIGIS SNACK SHACK Fundraiser - Students may purchase items at lunch break. See below.
Wednesday (5)	
Thursday (6)	Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day DQ Hot Lunch Day Division 2 Assembly
Friday (7)	No School All - PD/Staff Meeting Day

Online Registration

<u>Thank you to parents who have completed the online registration, if you haven't yet done so please complete this as soon as possible. Over 70% of our families have completed this important task. It is really vital that we have students officially registered as soon as possible as it helps us to plan more effectively and accurately.</u>

All parents should have received an email for each child that contains the **SNAP CODE** that you require to complete the registration for the 2019/20 school year. We require all parents to complete the online registration process and submit all information asap. We must emphasise this <u>must be completed to ensure that your child(ren) is/are officially registered for the 2019/20 school year</u>. If you have any questions or did not receive an email inviting you to complete registration please call the school and Mrs. Despins will be happy to assist you.

Sister Alphonse Academy is the first District School that is piloting the online registration process. We know that there have been bugs and issues. Our school and District thank you for your patience, cooperation and support. If you have any

feedback and/or suggestions regarding the online registration please forward your comments to Mr. Lamer at glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca and he will be sure to pass them on to District office and software developers. Eventually we hope to provide a registration process that will be quicker and more convenient than the paper process.

Term 3 Fee Payments

Term 3 payment letters were issued on Tuesday, May 14. We would ask you to please make payment as quickly as possible. Be sure to check that you do not have any other outstanding balances, if you do we would ask that you look after this as soon as possible.

2019/2020 Junior High TRAVEL CLUB

We have started the process to organize a Junior High Travel Club and plan a trip to the Canadian Maritimes for the upcoming school year, tentatively in the spring of 2020. Students will travel for approximately one week with teacher supervisors and a travel guide from EF Tours to experience New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Our next step is to determine interest from parents and students. We will be holding a family information session on June 18th in the SAA Learning Commons at 6:30pm. Come and find out more details (flights, accommodations, possible itinerary, costs) about this exciting opportunity. A trip like this would cost approximately \$2800 to \$3300 per student depending on final itinerary. The tentative travel date being considered is May 17 - 24. Twenty students would be required in order for the trip to move forward. All trips outside of Alberta require tentative approval from the Superintendent or designate six months in advance of the trip and require final approval two months before the intended date of the Field Trip.

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Jonathan T., Luka K., Carter B., Jacob T., Samuel B., Aeisha B. and Lacey H., who participated in the sacrament of Confirmation last Tuesday at Holy Family Parish. May the Holy Spirit guide, protect them and help them in their faith journey.

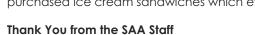
News From The Library

The end of the year is coming fast, which means it's time to bring back the library books. All books and fines are due on June 10, so let's get all those books in on time

Hot Lunch

Next Thursday is our DQ Hot Lunch which had to be previously ordered. There is still time to order hot lunch for the Hot Dog BBQ lunch which is on June 19th. Snack Shack closes for the school year on June 21st. We had some leftover monies from the April Easter Lunch and we





We would like to give a heartfelt thanks to our parent community and the members of the Staff Appreciation Committee for all the thoughtful words, treats, fantastic lunch and pep rally in our honor during the Staff Appreciation Week. We are truly blessed!

Fundraiser for SIGIS

Hey Sister Alphonse Families! Here at SIGIS we are trying to raise money for our summer program and we have been offered the amazing opportunity to run the Snack Shack at lunch on June 4th! We will be selling pizza, hotdogs, & chocolate bars (for \$1.00 each), juice & chips (for 50 cents each). All proceeds from snack shack will go to Sigis Summer Program on June 4th. If you would like to participate please send your children with cash to buy snacks that day. (There will be no cash card or any other sales that day, however, milk cart will still be provided! Thank you

<u>Hats and a Water Bottle are a Good Idea</u>

A reminder to send your child to school with a hat and a water bottle. Even a short time outside in the sun without a hat can lead to issues. Having a water bottle filled allows the kids to play and stay hydrated.

Crosswalks

Mr. Lamer met with a representative of the City of St. Albert's Transportation Engineering Department to discuss the possible edition of one or two crosswalks in front of the school. They have promised to look into this request and we are hopeful that we will have additional crosswalks at the corners of Joyal and James Crescent by the start of the new school year. In the meantime we always encourage our students to cross at corners and to use the crosswalks farther down the street.

Parking and Traffic Control

We would like to remind all parents/guardians that they should not be entering or parking/dropping off students in the staff parking zone at the front of the school. The drop off area for students is along Joyal Way. Parents may park in the visitor parking lot at the east end of the school if they would like to park on school property. Safety for all requires your cooperation. As our school grows in size it will be vital that all visitors to our school obey and follow proper drop off and parking procedures in order to provide a safe school area for our children.



Tables and Outdoor Benches

We are awaiting delivery of benches and outdoor tables that will be installed near both playground areas and the tarmac behind the school. This will happen sometime during the next couple of months.

PD/Staff Meeting Day

On Friday June 7 there will be no school for students as it is a Staff meeting/PD Day. On this day our teaching staff will be attending an inservice entitled <u>Teaching for Learning Transfer</u>. We are looking forward to the presentation by Julie Stern that provides teachers with strategies and tools to help students uncover conceptual relationships and transfer them to new situations. Conceptual understanding is an important ingredient that leads to Deep Learning. Since this is a full day workshop our staff will meet on another day after school to have our monthly staff meeting. Thank you for supporting our Friday Professional Development model in our School District.

Thanks MCHS

We would like to thank the Morinville Community High School and teacher Mr. Kyle Coxen for the generous donation of some power tools for our construction/woodworking classroom. Mr. Dewald has all kinds of ideas on how our students can put them to good use!

GRACE(Graceful Advocates for Catholic Education)

Mark your calendar. On Thursday, June 13 all parents are invited to attend an evening to discuss Catholic Education in our community. The goal of GrACE is to **advocate** for publicly-funded **Catholic education** across the province of Alberta. It is supported by the Alberta Bishops, Alberta **Catholic School** Trustees and **Catholic School** Superintendents of Alberta. This session will be held at St. Albert Catholic High School from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. RSVP to communications@gsacrd.ab.ca.

St. Albert Parish News

Star of the North Retreat Centre Iconography Retreat with Gisele Bauche

Monday, June 3 - Friday, June 7. This five-day icon retreat will introduce participants into the ancient tradition of icon writing. Through meditation, practice and contemplation, you will learn the techniques that will enable you to write an icon of John the Baptist. Limited to 10 participants. Cost includes supplies (icon boards, natural pigment, bole, 24 kt gold). Participants are responsible to bring their own brushes. Register early! Some programs fill up quickly; others may be cancelled due to insufficient registrations. We require payment or a deposit upon registration. We accept VISA and MasterCard or you can send in a cheque. Register online or call us at 780-459-5511

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

SVDP is often in need of household furniture. If you would like to donate, please contact 587-341-5711 for pickup. If you are in need of assistance with food, rent or furniture you may contact our representatives by email at needs4ssvpstalbert@gmail.com. To donate or to volunteer, please email pres.st.albert@ssvpedmonton.ca. The SVDP meets every 2nd & 4th Tuesday.

Covenant Foundation Presents the 25th Annual Youville Home Golf Classic

The tournament will be on Wed., 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

Click on the SAP Parish Link to access the weekly bulletin for St. Albert Catholic Parish.

Holy Family Parish News

Parish Picnic

All are invited to join us for our annual parish picnic on Sunday June 2, after the 11:00 am Mass at Ecole Marie Poburan. There is a large playground for children, lots of food and great fellowship to be had. See you there!

Tabs for Wheels

This program is to supply motorized scooters for disabled people. If you would like to save and contribute your pull tabs from your drinking containers, it would be very much appreciated! It takes 12 million tabs (5708 lbs.) to sponsor one scooter. These are coordinated with the Knights of Columbus and Easter Seals from Edmonton. The presentations are advertised so all contributors may attend. The last scooter was presented 2 years ago. Tabs may be left in the coatroom in the container provided on the upper shelf. Thank you.

Camp Volunteers

Summer is almost here, and that means Vacation Bible School! Our weeks this summer are July 15-19 and August 12-16 from 9:30 am—1:30 pm for ages 4-11, but we need volunteers to help run each week! We are looking for adult volunteers to run the faith lesson, games, snacks, music, crafts, as well as youth volunteers to be group leaders. We are also looking for a VBS Director Assistant, someone to help Noëlle with the planning, decorating and purchasing items for both weeks. If you are interested in helping out, please email Noëlle Pottle at youthprograms@holyfamilyparish.ca Registration forms for day camps are available in the parish office and under the Youth Board in the foyer.

