

# SAA Bulletin # 37 Thursday, June 6

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



Gr. 1/2 students at SAA had a great learning experience during their overnight field trip to the Telus World of Science.

























Students at SAA empathise with those affected by the Alberta Wildfires. They reflect and plan to help others. The 2/3 class decided to "PUT OTHERS FIRST" and thank the firefighters for their dedication and courage by donating goods for a care package that will be transported to their base camp near High Level!





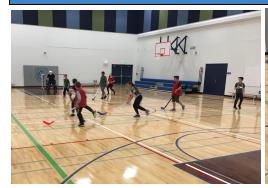
Students in Recreation Academy at SAA get an opportunity to kayak and canoe at Cardiff Pond.







Grade 6's accepted the "SAA Steward Challenge" students are organizing and running the SAA Cup. A floor hockey tournament for grades 4-7 students. We are raising money for people affected by the wildfires in Northern Alberta.







Students in the Dynamic Foods Option enjoy the fruits of their labor and have a meal together. Sean shows his completed tool box that he made in the woodworking option. Gr. 7 students in Fashion Studies and Construction are working hard to complete their projects. Coding and Robotics students are creating robots out of recyclable materials and Hummingbird electronics. Students will write a script of code for their robot for a specific function.







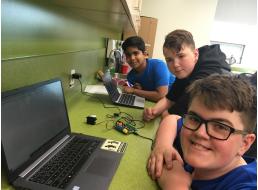














Grade 7 students at SAA showcase their Structure Designs. Part of the challenge was to determine which structure could bare the most weight.









# School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! June 10 - 14

Monday (10)	
Tuesday (11)	Gr. 1 Arbor Day Field trip - PM
Wednesday (12)	SAA June School Council Mtg.@6:30 pm Room 1049 - <u>June 12 Agenda Link</u>

Thursday (13)	Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day Gr. 6 PAT - LA Part B Break Rule day (Kindergarten only) GRACE - 7:00 pm at SACHS
Friday (14)	No Kindergarten Classes Break- a- Rule Day

# No School All - Friday June 7

A reminder that 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.

### News From The Library

All books and fines are due back in the library on this upcoming Monday. Please return all library books by June 10 and pay all outstanding fines. Thank you for your cooperation.

# GRACE(Graceful Advocates for Catholic Education)

Join us for an evening dedicated to discussing Catholic education in our communities. GrACE (Grateful Advocates for Catholic Education) is part of a provincial movement for Catholic education in Alberta. Our Chapter of GrACE is now up and running, and we invite you to our first GrACE Gathering on June 13 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at St. Albert Catholic High School. At that meeting, we will be sharing with you information on the strength of Catholic Education in the province and our communities. Most importantly, we will give you an opportunity in a social setting to share what Catholic Education means to you, and to give our GrACE group an understanding of what can be done to promote the value of Catholic education in our communities. One in four students attend a Catholic School in this province and 6,000 of these students attend one of our 17 schools. We hope that you can add your voice to the conversation to strengthen the support for Catholic schools which are highly valued in our communities. RSVP to communications@gsacrd.ab.ca.

#### 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.

# **Last Day of Kindergarten Classes**

A reminder to parents that the last day of instruction for all kindergarten students is Friday, June 21. On this last day there will be a closing celebration in the morning. Times and details will be provided in the bulletin next week.

# Grade 7 - Key Dates in June

Parents of students in grade 7 will want to be sure to note the dates below and schedule for our Junior High students at the end of June. Final exams in Gr. 7 throughout the District are worth 10% of a students final grade.

June 20 - Gr. 7 Math Final Exam(8:45 - 10:30 am)

June 20 - Last Day of Option Classes

June 21 - Last day of regular classes and locker cleanout. Last day to check powerschool for marks updates.

#### Week of June 24-28

On this week there are no scheduled classes for students in grade 7. All students who have signed consent by their parents may leave the school and return home after their final exam. Students are responsible to arrange transportation home. Students who do not have consent will stay at school and study in the Learning Commons.

Monday, June 24 - Gr. 7 LA Exam Part B(8:45 - 10:30 am) Tuesday, June 25 - Gr. 7 Social Studies(8:45 - 10:30 am) Wednesday, June 26 - Gr. 7 Science(8:45 - 10:30 am)

Thursday, June 27 - Students pick up final report card anytime between 8:30 and 11:30 am.

#### Academic Achievement for 2018/19

Honors Certificate (awarded to any student in grade 7 – 12 that meets the criteria that is outlined in District Administrative Procedure 368. This certificate is modeled after the professionally recognized criteria of the Alberta Rutherford High School Achievement Scholarship.) Presented annually to Grade 7, 8 and 9 students in GSACRD meeting the following criteria:

- a combined final course mark average of at least 80% in core courses (English language arts/French language arts, social studies, science, math)
- a final course mark of 70% or better in each of health, religion and physical education.
- must have passed all other courses
- must write all final year end exams unless a student is excused by documentation listed in an Individual Program Plan or documentation provided by a doctor.

# **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Dybry R. and Thomas B. who made their First Communion this past weekend at Holy Family Parish.

# \*\*Online Registration\*\*

We still have a few families that have not completed the online registration process. This ensures that your children are officially registered for the 2019/20 school year. 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. 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 <a href="mailto:glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca">glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca</a> 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.



Click on the link to access <u>School Supply Lists</u> for the 2019/20 school year. A reminder that you can also let Staples do the shopping for you. Parents who choose, can opt to participate in the Staples School Tools program and have your child's school supplies delivered to Sister Alphonse Academy in time for the start of the school year.

# Key Dates in June

June can be a super hectic month in a school. There are lot's of activities and events. Be sure you check our <u>SAA web</u> <u>calendar</u> on our school website for dates throughout June.

### Save the Date! - Legacy Project Unveiling

Please mark **Thursday**, **September 19**, **2019** from **6:30** p.m to **8** p.m. in your calendars for the official unveiling of the two murals that have been commissioned at SAA. This date carries great significance for our district as it also marks the 155th anniversary of the first school opening in 1864 and the legacy of Catholic education. **More information on the event will be sent out in August**.

# **Local or World Events Can Spur Inquiry**

Last week a major event took place in our province that led to a very eerie sky outside the school. In Mrs. Trenchard's grade ½ class the sky around Sister Alphonse created many questions and led the class to spend some time trying to figure out why the sky had the color it did. The answers to their questions led the class to think about the firefighters who are working to put out the fires and then the class decided that they wanted to show their appreciation to the firefighters by creating a care basket that will be sent north. In this case curiosity and an interesting event led children to discussion, scientific inquiry and then action.

# Snack Shack - Last Day

The last day that Snack Shack will operate is on Friday, June 21. A reminder that Milk tickets and Snack Shack Cards not used this year can be used next school year.

# **School Council**

Our last School Council Meeting of the 2018/19 school year will be on Wednesday, June 12@ 6:30 pm. All parents are welcome to attend. We want to remind and encourage all of our parents that we will be holding elections for School Council Executive positions in September of 2019 and looking for volunteers to join us on committees that have been established this school year. Our meetings are usually no more than 90 minutes once a month. We wish all of our parents a safe and happy summer. June 12 Agenda Link

# St. Albert Parish News

# 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 <a href="mailto:pres.st.albert@ssvpedmonton.ca">pres.st.albert@ssvpedmonton.ca</a>. The SVDP meets every 2nd & 4th Tuesday.

### Casual Conversations about Catholicism

Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Faith? Come to these great study nights. These sessions will address some of the questions people have when desiring to learn about the Church. The sessions will be as follows:

- June 12 @ 7pm Robert Barron's Catholicism Series Session #1 –Video Who is Jesus?
- June 26 @ 7pm Purpose Who are we and where are we going? (The Bible, Rick Warren, and Hope Mission's Recovery Program)
- July 10 @ 7pm God is Relationship (Richard of St. Victor, Richard Rohr, St. Bonaventure)
- July 24 @ 7pm Freedom (Why does God value freedom? A Bible and Theology Study)
- August 7 @ 7pm The Bible A Light to my Path! (Talk by Darryl -A Quick Survey, Father's Love Letter)
- August 21 @ 7pm Beauty, Goodness and Truth (Talk by Darryl A Franciscan Vision of Jesus and the Christ)

For more information contact Darryl at the church office at 780-459-6691 or email <a href="mailto:Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca">Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca</a>\*\*Note these sessions are intended for those who are thinking about becoming Catholic.

#### Corpus Christi

On Sunday, June 23rd at 2:00pm we will be joining Holy Family Parish for our Annual Eucharistic Procession on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Please join us as we pause at different stations to seek God, and to honor the Glorified Christ with adoration. After the procession the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed in the Church accompanied by the Divine Praises.

# 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 Cleanup

Sign up sheets will be available next weekend (June 8/9) for the Parish clean up. The clean up will take place on June 22nd. If you are unable to attend the clean up please prayerfully consider donations of food for those able to clean. Thank you for your support in keeping our parish clean and beautiful.

#### **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. Click on the HF Parish Link to access the weekly bulletin for Holy Family Parish

