

SAA Bulletin #39 Friday, June 21 Take a look at some of the learning and activities that took place in our school this week!



Students at SAA in grade 4/5, continue to explore and wonder about wetlands and their importance.



Students at SAA enjoy the new furniture that has been installed outside near the play areas. The first ever SAA Cup was awarded on Thursday. The winning team hoists the cup!



Students at SAA take part in the last school lunch of the school year. With funds from the School Nutrition Program we were able to offer all students salads and fruits. Some students also purchased hotdogs.



Students at SAA were allowed to break a few rules last Friday. With your support and the support of our students we raised \$500 for the St. Vincent de Paul Society and \$730 for Development & Peace.



Students at 2/3 are taking over as the teacher! They are teaching their classmates about a personal interest or skill they have learned outside of school!



Construction 7 students were working very diligently to complete the Raised Garden Boxes that were constructed out of cedar for the outside front of our school. Our Green Team can't wait to see what they can grow!



Grade 6 students learn from local entrepreneur Reed Clark of Ross Flats Vintage Apparel as they prepare for their market.



Some students at SAA showed off their musical and dramatic talent in a lip sync on Friday afternoon.



School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! June 24 - 28

Monday (24)	Gr. 7 LA Part B Final Exam(No Grade 7 classes) Grade 7 students dismissed at 10:30 am with signed consent. No Kindergarten We welcome the new Kindergarten Students for 2019-2020! Kindergarten Orientation
Tuesday (25)	Gr. 4,5 and 6 Students that have qualified, participate in St. Albert Track Meet at Fowler Field Gr. 7 Social Studies Final Exam(No Grade 7 classes) Grade 7 students dismissed at 10:30 am with signed consent. No Kindergarten
Wednesday(26)	Gr. 7 Science Final Exam(No Grade 7 classes) Grade 7 students dismissed at 10:30 am with signed consent. Year End Celebration and Closing Liturgy - 9:00 am Grade 6 Celebration - 10:15 am Gr. 1-6 Fun Day - PM(1:00 - 2:45 pm) No Kindergarten
Thursday (27)	Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day Final Report Card Distribution Gr. 1-7 Early Dismissal for Summer Vacation - 11:45 am(No School All PM) No Kindergarten
Friday (28)	No School All - Summer Vacation

<u>Week 40</u>

The upcoming week is the last week of the 2018/19 school year! It's hard to believe how quickly the year has past! It has been a memorable year of first times and we hope that your children enjoyed the year as much as our staff have. We look forward to a summer of rest and rejuvenation. Thank you to all our families for your support! We wish you safe travels and plenty of sunshine throughout the summer. We will see you back at SAA on August 29th for our Welcome Back to School Event! Drop in anytime between 4:30 and 6:30 pm. Come and meet your new teacher(s) and meet some new classmates. Share an ice-cream sundae treat. Drop off your school supplies or pick up your School Tools order.

<u>Gr. 7</u>

A reminder that there are no classes for grade seven students the week of June 24 -27. Students will write their final exams and then may leave the school if their parents have provided signed consent at 10:30 am. Students are welcome to stay at school and study in the Learning Commons or volunteer to help out with various activities during the last week of school. Grade 7 students may pick up their final Report Cards anytime between 9:00 am and 11:45 am on June 27.

Kindergarten Last Day of School

Our Kindergarten students celebrated an awesome school year on their last day of school on Friday, June 21. Thanks to all the parents that joined us for the celebration. We wish all of kindergarten families a super summer holiday. We will see you all in September! **There are no kindergarten classes the week of June 24-28**.

St. Albert Elementary School Track Meet

Sister Alphonse Academy will be represented by some students in grades four, five and six who will compete against other students from four other local elementary schools on Tuesday, June 26. Students will be bussed to and from Fowler Athletic Field. Parents are welcome to attend the Track Meet. Consent letters and Track meet information were sent home with students who will be participating. Students are bussed to the meet. Be sure that you go on to School Cash and pay the bussing fee for this event.

Year End Closing Celebration and Liturgy

All parents and friends of Sister Alphonse Academy are invited to join us at 9:00 am on Wednesday, June 26 as we celebrate the conclusion of the first year at Sister Alphonse Academy. We will give thanks to God for his many blessings throughout the school year.

Grade 6 Celebration

Parents of students in Grade 6 are welcome to join our grade six class on Wednesday, June 27 beginning at approximately 10:15 am. Refreshments and snacks will be served and then at about 10:30 am the program will begin. Join the grade six students as they celebrate the successful completion of the DARE Program and the completion of their elementary school experience.

Grade 6 Market - Monday, June 24

We are asking all students to consider bringing a loonie or toonie to purchase a treat or product from a grade six entrepreneur on Monday. Grade six students were challenged to design logos using mathematical concepts learned in geometry. Understanding and application of perimeter and area were crucial as students created a dynamic and inviting booth. Utilizing their knowledge of a variety of triangles (scalene, isosceles, equilateral, acute and obtuse) students created a banner to attract customers to their booth. Students had to critically think through the overhead costs and determine a fair price of their product to make a profit. Students created a marketing plan to promote their product and generate buzz for their market booth. During the actual market, students will solve problems using decimals and whole numbers as they calculate totals and create change for their customers. Throughout the process, students consulted a local entrepreneur, Reed Clarke of Ross Flats to learn more about marketing and business. He visited the students on Thursday and was really impressed with the questions posed by our students! These kinds of activities prepare our students for the world of work! There will be food items for sale (beverage and sweets), an opportunity to try a game and a custom notebook for sale.

Grade 1-6 Fun Day - PM(1:00 - 2:45 pm) Wednesday, June 26

Be sure your child has a hat, has applied sun-screen and brings a water bottle. This will help them enjoy an afternoon of fun activities on the field. In the event that the weather does not cooperate we would likely have a movie for students in the gym.

Distribution of Final Report Cards

Final Report cards for students in Grade 1 - 6 will be distributed just prior to final dismissal on Thursday, June 27. Students in Grade 7 may pick up their Report card anytime during the morning of June 27.

If you are going to be leaving early for holidays you may do one of the following to obtain your child's Report Card.

- 1. <u>Call our school office and provide the name of an adult</u> who will pick your child's Report card up before 3:30 pm on Thursday, June 27. <u>The person must provide identification when picking up the Report Card.</u>
- 2. You may provide our office with a self addressed stamped 8.5 letter size envelope which will be dropped in the mail on June 28 with \$3 postage attached to it. We have no stamps at the school for purchase.
- 3. You can pick up your child's Report Card when our office opens on Tuesday, August 20 between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:30 pm.

Final Dismissal and Early Out for Summer Vacation

Students in grades 1-6 will be dismissed on Thursday, June 27 at 11:45 am for summer vacation. Bus departure is at 11:55 am.

Sponsorship Opportunity

One of our goals at Sister Alphonse Academy is to provide authentic learning opportunities for our students which we believe can help lead to Deep Learning and Conceptual Understanding. Greater St. Albert Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 734 believes that the formation of educational partnerships or sponsorships with individuals, businesses, or community partners provides an opportunities for students in the District. Thus principals may work with partners or sponsors with the intention of assisting students with ongoing activities and/or events while ensuring that the primary goal for the partner or sponsor is to provide valuable resources.

Our school is looking for individuals, businesses, or community partners that would be willing to assist/sponsor some of the costs associated with providing our students with these incredible learning opportunities away from the school. Our staff has already applied and been accepted for some activities for next year but they are costly. These costs could include transportation and or registration costs. Our District Administrative Procedures allow for some public recognition of sponsors via newsletters, banners, etc. If we have individuals, businesses or community partners that would like to discuss this opportunity to support our students please call Mr. Lamer at SAA at your earliest convenience or email him at glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca.

Registration Update

Registrations are being received nearly every day and we estimate that our enrolment could be anywhere between 165 - 180 students for the 2019/20 school year. We are not sure how many families could register their children over the summer. <u>Class configurations, teacher assignments and class numbers are still to be determined.</u> We continue to plan for a number of scenarios. At this time we have no registrations for grade nine. Rest assured that we will be ready to go when September comes around! If new neighbors are asking, our office will be open and ready to accept registration inquiries starting August 20, 2019.

2019/20 School Supply Lists

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. Orders that will be delivered to the school must be placed by Friday, June 28.

News From The Library

It's not too late to bring in any overdue books or pay any outstanding fines! Next week is the very last week to deal with any outstanding books or fines that need to be taken care of, so please handle them as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

Don't Miss Out - Super Cool Summer School

Don't forget our District offers a great Summer School program from July 2 - 12. The program is designed for kids K-8. Classes run from 9:00am to noon and 12:30 - 3:30 pm. Click on the <u>GSACRD Summer School link</u> for more information.

National Indigenous People's Day - June 21

To all our Indigenous families, Happy Indigenous People's Day! Our students began the day by listening to our Canadian National Anthem in english, french and cree. Then students had an opportunity to take part in a six directions prayer. Later in the day Mrs. Trenchard's class shared bannock with students just before recess in the morning.

Travel Club Update

Thanks to those families who were able to attend the Travel Club Presentation. If your family was unable to attend but would be interested in receiving the information please contact Mrs. Trenchard at the school or https://www.nterested in receiving the information please contact Mrs. Trenchard at the school or nterested in receiving the information please contact Mrs. Trenchard at the school or nterested in receiving the information please contact Mrs. Trenchard at the school or nterested in receiving the information please contact Mrs. Trenchard at the school or nterested in the school year. At this time no decision has been made regarding the status of the trip. We do require a minimum amount of students to plan a trip for next year.

St. Albert Parish News

Catholic Family Life Conference

Catholic Family Ministries invites you to join them for this year's Family Life Conference on the Canada Day long weekend (June 28-July 1) at Lac Ste. Anne. Experience a host of inspiring speakers, including Tim Gray, President of the Augustine Institute; Sister Helena Burns of the Daughters of Saint Paul, and Ryan Topping, Vice-President and Academic Dean of Newman Theological College. For more information and to register, please visit catholicfamilyministries.com Online registration is now open!

Walk from St. Albert to Morinville

On Saturday, June 29, the first Saturday after St-Jean-Baptiste Day, you are invited to bring your walking stick and to join us on a 22 kilometer walk from St. Albert Parish to St-Jean-Baptiste Parish in Morinville! It is an excellent opportunity to step aside from our busy lives and to enter a personal journey. Whether you are alone, with friends or family members, you are welcome to join us. Based on past experiences, a 20 kilometer walk may take between 6 and 8 hours, depending on your pace. It is not a race! Here is the plan:

8:15 AM - Meet at St. Albert Catholic Parish

8:30 AM - Blessing from Father Ignacy 8:45 AM - 4:00 PM: Walk from St. Albert to Morinville.

3:00 - 5:00 PM: As you come to St-Jean-Baptiste Parish, the doors will be open to welcome you. Each pilgrim will receive a certificate to attest that they have completed their journey.

5:00 PM: For those of you who are interested, Mass will take place at 5:00 PM, as usual. If you wish to join us: please e-mail Pierre Rousseau japrousseau@shaw.ca or call 780-460-9429 if you do not have internet access. Once you register, more information will be sent as we get closer to the date. Feel free to invite friends or relatives who may want to join us. This pilgrimage is open to all, even the ones who never attend Mass!

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

Holy Family Parish News

Alpha Program

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring our faith. Each session looks at a different question and is designed to create conversation. There's no pressure and no charge. It's just an open, informal and honest place to start encountering Jesus. This is not a catechesis program, but instead, it is a starting point on your faith journey. It will run from September—November on Thursday evenings from 6:15—8:15 pm. Dinner is provided. For more information or to register, please contact the parish office. 780-459-3694 or hfp@holyfamilyparish.ca.

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

