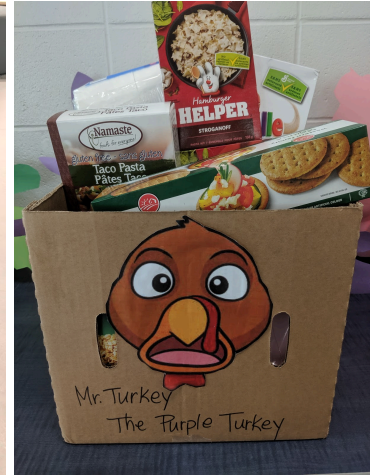
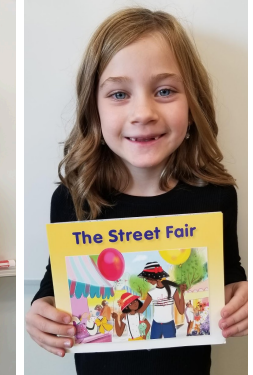
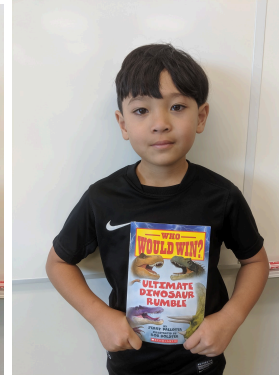
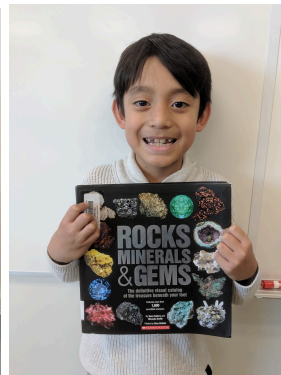
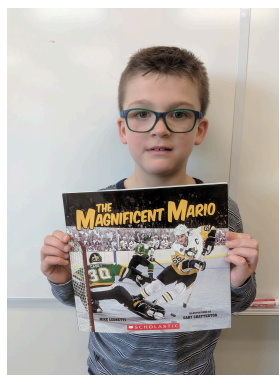


## SERVE - ACHIEVE - ASPIRE

Students and families at SAA are showing their generosity by donating a ton of non-perishable foods in their STUFF YOUR TURKEY food bank drive! Thank you!



Students in 2/3 are choosing and writing about their favorite books to recommend to their friends! Good thing the Book Fair is coming up!

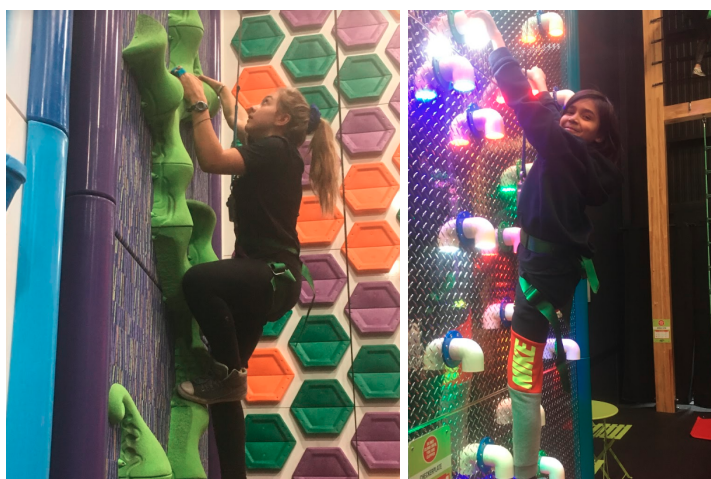


Students and staff reflected on September 30th for survivors of the residential school and showed their support by wearing ORANGE!





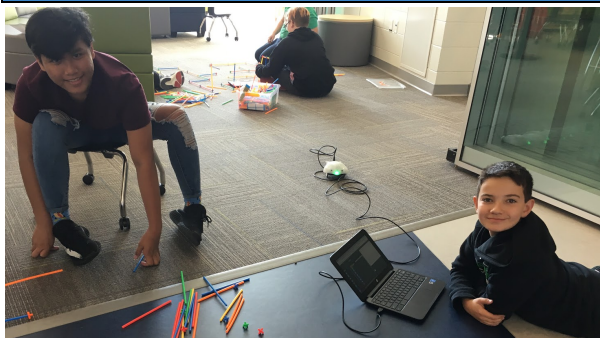
Kindergarten students at SAA sing the leaf song for office staff. Rec Academy students are just hanging on!



SAA young chefs are creating some great meals in our Foods Option.

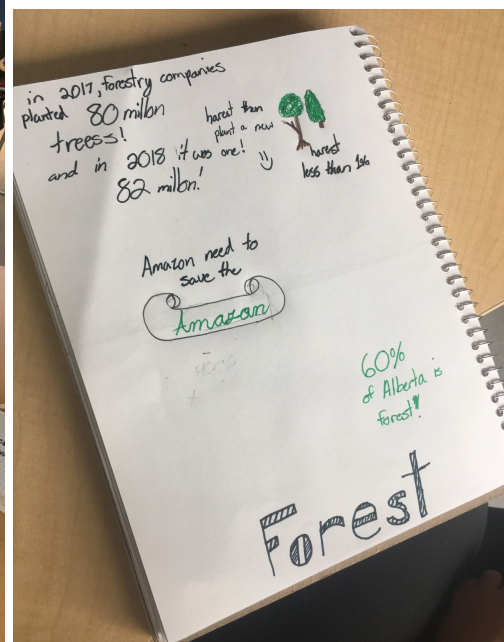
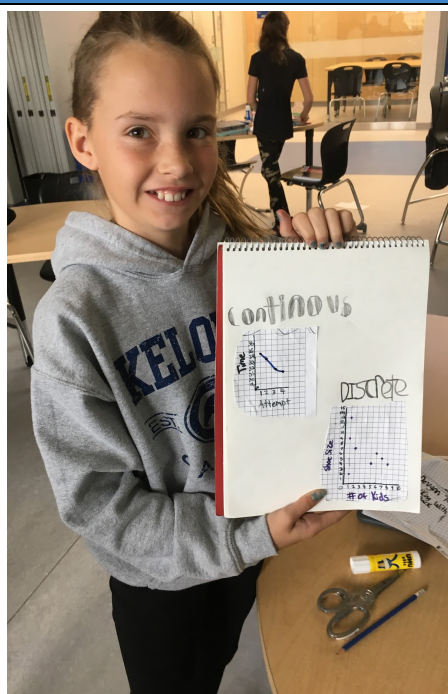
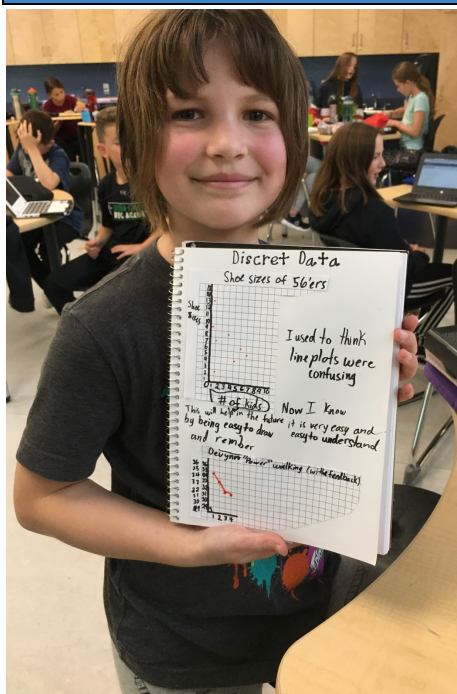


Jr. high students work through challenges in our Coding & Robotics Option





What do I need to be a learner? I need to reflect! Gr.5% students reflect on learning in their sketchbooks.



## School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! Oct. 7 - 11

Monday (7)	<b>STUFF YOUR TURKEY Food Bank Drive!</b> <b>Read In Week</b> <b>Deadline to pre-order Harvest Lunch online by 10 pm.</b> Jr. Boys and Girls Volleyball Practice - 3:15 - 4:30 pm
Tuesday (8)	<b>STUFF YOUR TURKEY Food Bank Drive!</b> <b>Read In Week</b> Jr. Girls Volleyball Home Game vs VJM Marauders - 3:15 - 4:45 pm
Wednesday (9)	<b>STUFF YOUR TURKEY Food Bank Drive</b> <b>Read In Week</b> Jr. Volleyball Practice - 3:15 - 4:30 pm Deadline for We Day Consent Forms for students in Junior High.
Thursday (10)	<b>Thanksgiving Harvest Lunch - NO SNACK SHACK</b> <b>Thanksgiving Liturgy@1:15 pm (parents and friends of SAA welcome!)</b> <b>Read In Week</b> <b>Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day</b> Jr. Boys and Girls Volleyball Away Game@Joe Demko 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Friday (11)	<b>No Kindergarten Classes</b> Interview Booking Site Opens@ 9:00 am (Click on the <a href="#">Interview Booking Link</a> and enter the Code- <b>rvcu3</b> ) <b>Read In Week</b>

### Our School Goals

We have two primary school goals at SAA:

#### Our Learning Goal - TO PROVIDE MULTIPLE PATHWAYS TO DEEP LEARNING

- Fostering authentic relationships and connections with students and parents
- Differentiating instructional practices
- Learning Attribute Planning
- Leveraging Technology

#### Our Faith Goal - TO BUILD A CULTURE OF FAITH AND SERVICE WHERE EVERY CHILD AND FAMILY FEEL WELCOMED

- Continue to build and expand connections with parish, CSS and D&P
- School Chaplain will continue to work to build capacity with staff to know, model and witness Jesus Christ
- Continue to ensure that our faith is prominent within our school

- Develop further awareness of connections between our faith and spiritual beliefs/practices of Indigenous brothers and sisters

### **Staffing Update**

We are pleased to inform our parents that we have added another teacher to SAA. She will work with Mrs. Trenchard in a Team Teaching situation during the morning in our grade 3/4 classroom. This class currently has 31 students. Ms. Kowal comes to us from the Red Deer Catholic School System where she had a number of years experience teaching at the elementary level. Mrs. Kowal will be starting at SAA early this week. We are waiting for word from District office about the possibility of additional support at the grade 4, 5 and 6 levels and we hope to know more about this soon.

### **Read In Week**

October 7-11 is Read-In-Week at schools across Canada. Our students will have some members of the community here to read to various classes.

### **Individual Picture Ordering**

Your child should have brought home an information sheet that included your Online Proof Code and ordering information. Proofs are accessed online and could be ready for viewing by Saturday, October 5 or early next week. **If you place your order prior to October 14/19 you will receive free shipping.** Orders placed after October 14/19 will incur a shipping charge. All orders are shipped directly to your home. If your child did not bring home an order form please contact [ICON](mailto:icon@reddeer.ca) directly at 780-449-3558. Once you provide them with your child's name and school they should be able to provide you with the Online Proof Code for ordering.

### **Picture Retake Day**

Please be advised that if a student is absent on Picture Day or a parent requires a picture retake they will be taken during the morning of Friday, October 18.

### **Booking of Parent/Teacher Interviews - Be Sure You Have Completed This Important Task**

Parent/Teacher Interview dates are Tuesday, Oct. 22/19 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm and Wednesday, Oct. 23/19 from 3:30 - 6:30 pm. **Booking of Interviews begins on Friday, Oct. 11/19 at 9:00 am.** Use the [School Interviews Link](#) to book an appointment. Once the link is open you should be able to go directly in and book your interview(s). If asked enter ACCESS CODE - **rvcu3**. Interview appointments for students in Grades 1-8 will be 10 minutes long. ECS Student Led appointments will be 30 minutes. In Junior High parents may book interviews with individual subject teachers. Call our school office at 780-809-2996 if you are encountering any difficulties. We will send out a synvoice reminder message about the booking of interviews on the 10th of October.

Report Cards for students in grade one to six will be issued after interviews on Friday, Nov. 8. Children in kindergarten DO NOT receive a Report Card in ECS during the first term so it is vital that parents attend their child's Student Led Conference. Students in Junior High do not receive a paper report card as parents may log into PowerSchool at anytime after October 7/19 to view their children's marks and attendance. Having interviews earlier in the school year can provide parents with more information about their child's start and progress sooner rather than later. Our Term 2 interview dates will occur in late February rather than late March as in the past. We will be seeking parent feedback about the change in dates for our Interviews in the spring of 2020, this will help us to plan for the 2020/21 school year.

### **Stuff Your Turkey FOOD BANK DRIVE**

Students and staff will work together to stuff one turkey or more for each Spirit Team in the school. Please support the St. Albert Food and send in non-perishable food donations! Our food bank drive will run from Oct. 1st - 10th. Spirit teams will challenge each other to bring in the most! The winning Spirit Team will be given a prize! Extra points will be given for the following items that are especially in need at the food bank:

Baby formula	Canned fruit	Canned meats/fish	Canned or powdered milk
Canned/dry soup	Canned tomatoes	Canned vegetables	Coffee/Tea
Crackers	Diapers (all sizes)	Flour	Fruit cups/pudding cups
Granola bars	Hamburger helper	Jam and peanut butter	Kraft Dinner
Oatmeal	Pasta sauce	Salt	Pancake mix and syrup
Personal care items	Side Kicks	Sugar	Tomato paste

### **School Fees**

School Fees have now been approved and have been added to [School Cash Online](#). We would appreciate that you pay your children's school fees as soon as possible, the due date is Oct. 31/19.

Basic School Fee Gr. 1 - 8 (\$68)

Kindergarten Full Day - \$33

### **Congratulations to our GSACRD Long Service Award Winner(s)**

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mrs. Tina McKinnon (15 yrs.), Mrs. Suzanne Despina (10 yrs.) and Mrs. Janice Manders (5 yrs) for their good and faithful service to the students, staff and parents of the schools and communities they have worked in. We are blessed to have them at Sister Alphonse Academy!

### **Junior High Stuff**

On Monday, October 7 students will bring home a letter that provides instructions for parents to access Powerschool in order to review achievement and attendance of your child on an ongoing basis. Please be advised that we do not issue a



paper report card in Term 1 or Term 2 in Junior High. Parents can monitor the progress of their child via Powerschool. If you have any questions regarding this or need help in setting up your Powerschool access after October 7 please do not hesitate to call the school office at 780-809-2996. Ten of our Junior High students have decided to take part in the Communities of Hope Leadership program at SACHS. They will join other junior high students from around the District once a month to talk about leadership. All junior high students should have brought home a permission form to attend WE DAY on Tuesday, October 22 in Edmonton. What a great opportunity to join youth from around the province to be inspired to take part in projects in their school and communities. Signed consent forms should be returned to school by Friday, October 11.

#### **Mark Your Calendars - Important Dates Coming Soon!**

Oct. 14 - School Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)  
Oct. 15 - No School K-8 (PD/Staff Meeting Day)  
Oct. 22 - 23 - Parent Teacher Interview Nights  
Nov. 1 - No School K-8 (Institute PD Day)  
Nov. 8 - Term 1 Report Cards Go Out for students in Gr. 1 - 6.  
Nov. 11 to 15 - School Closed FALL BREAK  
December 16 - SAA Christmas Concert

#### **Get the Fall/Winter Clothing Out**

It's that time of year again. If your not bundled up recess is no fun! All kids should be wearing a warm jacket, and bringing toques and mittens in their backpack. Thanks for your cooperation!

#### **Arctic Adventure Book Fair!**

Things are going to get chilly early this year with our Arctic Adventure Book Fair! The Scholastic book fair is returning to Sister Alphonse from October 21-24 and this year's goal is to have \$1,550 worth of books purchased. The fair will be open during recess, with a special after school sale on October 22 and 23 during Parent Teacher Interviews.

In addition, everyone who purchases items from the fair can enter the door prize contest. One lucky student will win \$25 dollars' worth of books for themselves and their classroom! We will also be having our Classroom Wish list program, where families help enrich their child's classroom by purchasing books for their teacher's class library.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Arctic Adventure Book Fair!

#### **Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Book Fair**

If anyone would like to help with the book fair, please contact Ms. Gamache in the library. We would love some extra hands with setting up on October 21st (starting at 8:30 a.m.) and taking down the fair on October 25th (starting at 9:00 a.m.). Also, if anyone can support the fair by handling cash, we have some time slots during recess (10:25 - 10:45) and lunch break (12:05 - 12:35) on the 23rd, 24th, and 25th that we would love to fill.

If you are interested or have any questions, then contact Ms. Gamache at [lgamache@gsacrd.ab.ca](mailto:lgamache@gsacrd.ab.ca) or at 780-809-2996.

#### **SAA Federal Election Voting Station**

Please be advised that Sister Alphonse Academy will be used as a voting station for the Canadian Federal Election on Monday, October 21/19.

#### **Faith in Our Future - Proposal (The Board Wants to Hear What You Think)**

All parents/guardians of students in GSACRD should have recently received an email earlier this week that provided information from the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Joe Becigneul. Click on the [Faith in our Future Link](#) to provide your thoughts on this very important proposal within our School District. You are also invited to **attend a series of Open House events to provide input, ask questions and engage in discussion.** The first event will be on **October 30, 2019** from **5:00-8:00 p.m.** at St. Albert Catholic High School. For more information or to RSVP: [communications@gsacrd.ab.ca](mailto:communications@gsacrd.ab.ca). You may also visit the District webpage at [gsacrd.ab.ca/faithinourfuture](http://gsacrd.ab.ca/faithinourfuture) for regular updates, feedback summaries and upcoming event information. Remember, you can participate in the ongoing ThoughtExchange discussion at any time to express your support for the proposal, provide comments, or express concerns or questions.

#### **Traffic and Crosswalks**

We met with the City of St. Albert once again regarding our request for crosswalks directly in front of the school. We are hopeful that this will occur. Until that time the Transportation Department of the City of St. Albert did ask us to remind parents to use the crosswalks that are currently in the area.

#### **School Council**

#### **Halloween Family Dance**

Planning for the Halloween Family Dance on Friday, October 25 continues. The Dance will run from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Parents are encouraged to bring something for the Potluck Snack Table. Last names beginning A-K please bring something sweet, L-Z please bring something salty. We are looking for decorations which could be dropped off prior to the event and then picked up early the next week following the school dance. We will need volunteers to work at juice/snack tables and for set up and clean up. More information coming.

## **St. Albert Parish News**

### **Our Harvest Supper on Saturday, October 26th**

Harvest Supper is back and so is Sugartime, your favourite band! Join us for an amazing turkey dinner, some fun entertainment, lots of fellowship and great door prizes!

### **Children's Mass**

Our parish celebrates a children's Mass at 11:00 am on the second Sunday of each month.

### **Life Chain**

Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful and public prolife witness. Edmonton Prolife invites parish groups, families and individuals to join them Sunday, October 6, from 2 to 3 p.m. For more information about signs, locations and contacts, please email Edmonton Prolife at: [info@edmontonprolife.org](mailto:info@edmontonprolife.org) or call 780- 425-1637.

### **Bible Study**

Are you're wondering if there's more to life than just "getting by" and are ready to focus on what really matters, then discover the extraordinary Catholic teaching known as the Theology of the Body. This 8 week study will be beginning on October 9th in the Church basement. Registration is \$23. Please sign up at the back if you are interested, contact Darryl at the parish or email [Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca](mailto:Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca). Future dates will be Oct 9 and 23, Nov 6 and 20, Jan 8 and 22, Feb 5, 12, (and 19th if needed).

### **Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas**

The Category 5 Hurricane Dorian hit the Bahamas on September 1, causing extensive damage to the islands of Abaco and Grand Bahamas. Torrential rains swept away houses, buildings, and roads. More than 75,000 people were severely affected and at least 51 died. With rescuers continuing to search for survivors, and 1,300 people still missing, the number of victims is likely to increase in the coming days. Development and Peace is collaborating with its Caritas network partners to assess the considerable immediate needs on the devastated islands. Among the priorities identified are the affected families of unskilled workers, whom we will support with money to meet basic needs and with the provision of psychosocial support. Emergency relief will be provided in the coming day to help with the necessities of life. For more information or to donate to Bahamas relief efforts, visit [devp.org](http://devp.org) or call 1-888-664-3387.

### **SAPY Volunteers**

We are looking for volunteers to assist with youth nights, to help when we go on SAPY Adventures or to bring snacks. If you are interested please contact the Youth Coordinator, Rebecca. Anything you can offer will be greatly appreciated.

### **SAPY Social Media**

All Social Media has been updated to @SAP4Youth. This change does not affect anyone who is already following us. Follow us on Instagram and Twitter and Like us on Facebook to keep up to date with upcoming events! If you take any pictures at an event, make sure to add the hashtags #SAPYgroup and #OblateYouth.

Click on the [SAP Parish Link](#) to access the weekly bulletin for St. Albert Catholic Parish.

## **Holy Family Parish News**

Click on the [HF Parish Link](#) to access the weekly bulletin for Holy Family Parish

