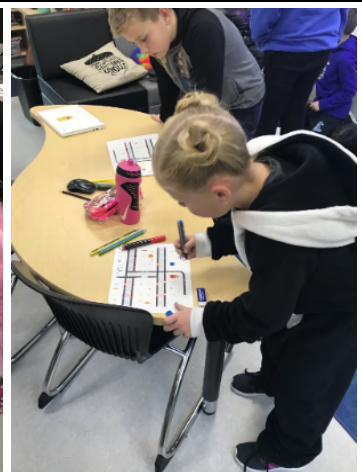


**SERVE - ACHIEVE - ASPIRE**

The Junior High students from the Enterprise and Innovation option organized and planned the Halloween Carnival, which included raffles, games, food and an amazing haunted maze. They will now analyze the ticket sales to determine if a profit was made. If there was a profit made from the Carnival it will go into planning the Christmas Market. They will reflect on what they did well and what could be improved in organizing an event like this. This ties into our guiding question of "What do I need to be a learner?" We think they did a good job for their first event and the younger kids gave the activities a "thumbs up".



Students in the 4/5 class were challenged to use their coding skills to plan a route for the OZBOT that would be safe and allow it to visit many houses to Trick or Treat.

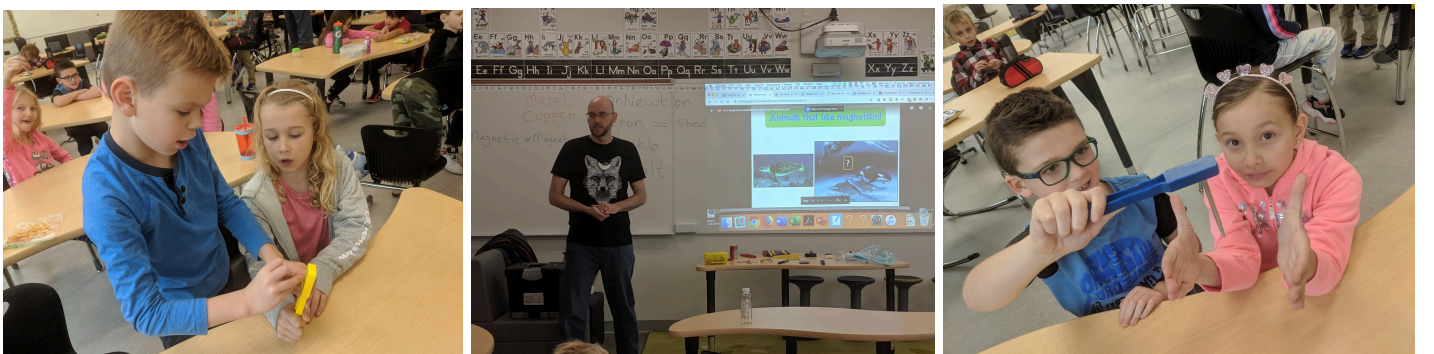




Our SAA Knights Junior Volleyball teams finished their seasons at the SAPEC Championships. Our girls team managed to finish the weekend tournament in third place and brought home some hardware in the ten team tournament.



Students in 2/3 welcomed Dr. Newton from the Alberta Science Network to learn more deeply about magnetism. Did you know animals such as turtles and geese use magnetism to return home year after year?

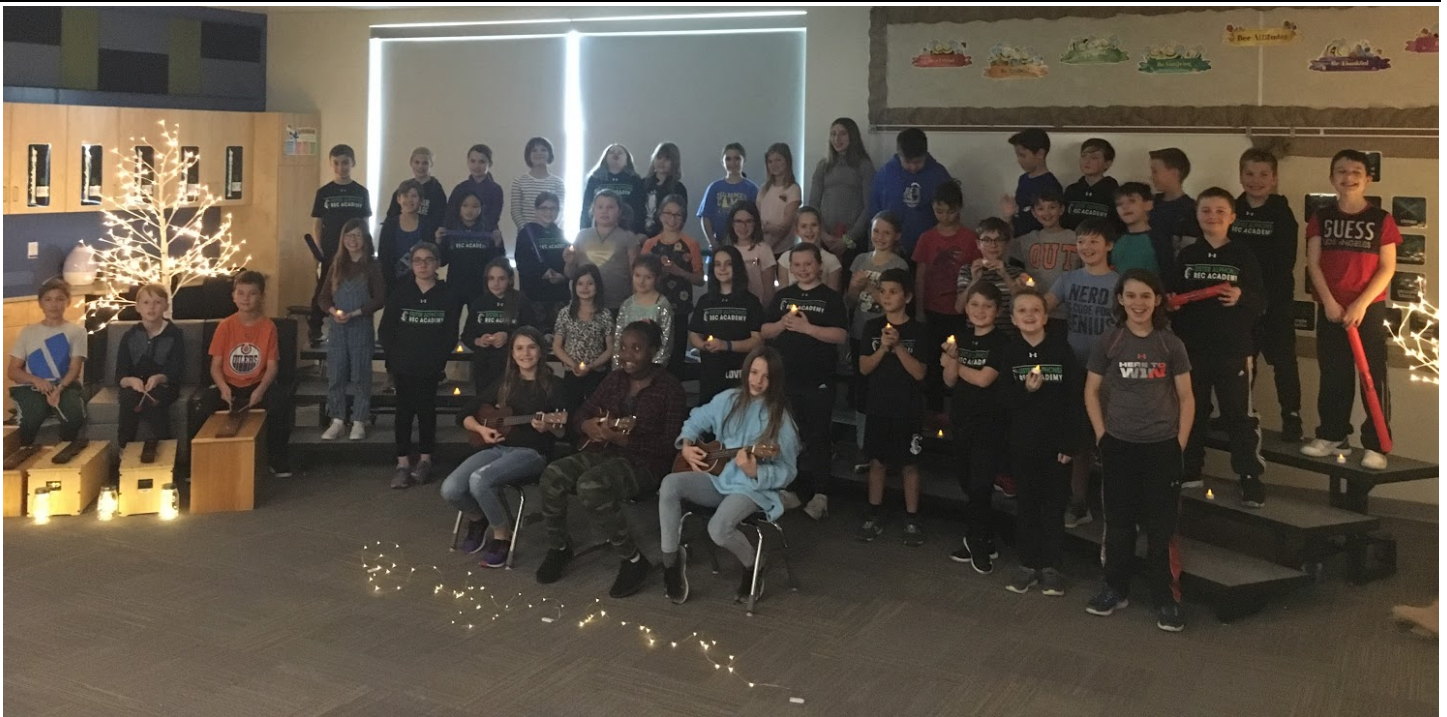


Students in kindergarten learned how to make their own fresh apple juice. We compared the similarities and differences between our fresh juice to the apple juice we can buy in a box at the store. A majority of the class preferred the fresh apple juice. A big THANK YOU to the Thomas family for lending us their juicer.





Students in grade 1-6 take part in the 2019 CBC Music Class Challenge. The students had fun and Mr. Brass videotaped their performance.



Lest we Forget - Students and staff gather to honor those who have served and continue to serve.



## School News - Take a look at what's coming up the week after Fall Break! Nov. 18 - Nov. 22

Nov. 11 - 15	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED - No Classes K- 8 FALL BREAK</b>
Monday (18)	<i>Classes resume K - 8</i>
Tuesday (19)	<b>Science Olympics - (3:00pm - 4:15pm) Grades 1- 3</b>
Wednesday (20)	<b>Gr. 2/3 Swimming Lessons Science Olympics - (3:00pm - 4:15pm) Grades 4-6</b>
Thursday (21)	<b>Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day</b> <i>Edo Japan Hot Lunch - No Snack Shack Birthday of Sister Alphonse Leadership Option Class Field Trip to Food Bank Communities of Hope - Leadership Program Science Olympics - (3:00pm - 4:15pm) Grades 7/8</i>
Friday (22)	

### 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

### **Fall Break Nov. 11 - 15 (School Closed)**

The school will be closed and there will be no classes for students K-8 on Monday, Nov. 11 for the Remembrance Day Holiday. The School will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 12 in Lieu of Parent/Teacher Interviews. The school will be closed Nov. 13-15 for Fall Break. **Wishing all of our families a relaxing and fun Fall Break week. If you are travelling, safe travels.**

### **Check Backpacks - Gr. 1-6 Report Cards Distributed**

If your child was at school on Friday, Nov. 8 they should have brought home their 1st Term Report Card. Take the time to celebrate with your child some of their accomplishments and ask them about areas where they might grow.

### **Science Olympics 2020**

SAA will once again participate in the APEGA Science Olympics. Teams will begin their challenges during the week of November 18th. We'll meet once a week to create, collaborate and learn together! On Feb. 22nd, we'll gather with hundreds of other students in the Edmonton area at the UofA Butterdome to stretch our engineering skills once again! If you have any questions about Science Olympics, feel free to contact Mrs. Trenchard at [natrenchard@gsacrd.ab.ca](mailto:natrenchard@gsacrd.ab.ca) or check out [APEGA Information](#).

### **Christmas Concert Ticket Information**

Each family at SAA will be able to request up to four tickets for the Christmas Concert that will take place on Monday, Dec. 16. If not all families require four tickets we should be able to make unused tickets available to families who would like more than four. Tickets will be sold for \$3 per ticket and can be purchased via School Cash Online. **Tickets are now on sale and will be available until Nov. 29.** After Nov. 29 tickets not sold will be made available to families that would like more than 4. Proceeds from ticket sales will go to our music program, to alleviate costs associated with the concert and \$1 of every ticket will be used to support Catholic Social Services. We thank you for your support.

### **Halloween Dance Digital Pictures**

If your family or your child had pictures taken in the Photo Booth at the Halloween Dance you can get a digital copy by bringing a flash disk in to the office. Put your name and your child's and we will do our best to get you the pictures.

### **Looking for Junior Basketball Coaches at SAA**

The Basketball season is right around the corner. We are confident that we would have enough students in grade 6-8 to form Junior Basketball teams at SAA. The Junior Basketball season starts in January and is usually completed by the first week in March. It would involve one or two practices a week as well as a short schedule of games after school and one or two tournaments. Volunteer coaches would be supported by a staff member. All coaches would need to provide a recent



Criminal and Child Welfare check. If you are interested please email Mr. Lamer at [glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca](mailto:glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca) by November 18, 2019.

### **Book Fair Success**

Thank you to everyone who came out to the book fair. We were able to surpass our goal by selling \$2,467.50 worth of books, which means we will be able to purchase tons of new books for the library. Thank you again for supporting the learning commons.

### **When Can the Kids Be Outside?**

According to GSACRD Administrative Procedures students can have outside recess and winter activities unless the combined temperature and wind chill reading with Environment Canada is below -20 Celcius. We make a decision a few minutes prior to the break. When outside supervisors are in constant contact with admin if conditions in the immediate area warrant coming in.

### **SAA Spirit Wear Clothing Store**

We will reopen the **SAA Clothing Store on Monday, Dec. 2** and it will remain open until **Monday, December 16** with an expected delivery date of late January or early February, 2020. More information and reminders will come.

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### **Future Opportunities for Engagement**

Following the first *Faith in Our Future* Community Engagement Open House (October 30, 2019), all community members are invited to review the information shared at the event and provide feedback. Click on the [Faith in Our Future Link](#) to access this information online and to provide your thoughts. Based on feedback shared through Thoughtexchange from October 1-30, we have identified the following topics and areas of interest:

- Safety (students and sites)
- Space considerations
- Impacts of change (e.g. sustaining French Immersion)
- Consultation process and transparency

In addition to these topics was a request for further face-to-face conversations regarding the *Faith in Our Future* proposal. To provide an opportunity to address specific areas of interest, school community table top discussions will take place in **January 2020** for the following school communities: École Father Jan, École Marie Poburan, École Secondaire Sainte Marguerite D'Youville, St. Albert Catholic High School, and St. Gabriel High School (dates to be confirmed). A second Community Engagement Open House is also scheduled for **February 13, 2020**. Further details will be shared closer to the date. Thank you for your ongoing participation in this consultation process. We look forward to reviewing your thoughts, feedback, and solutions.

### **Legacy Project Mural #2 Complete**

We are very happy to announce that last weekend the Legacy Mural Project was completed. The second mural is called the "Tree of Life". It symbolizes faith, a celebration of life, positive energy, good health and a bright future. There are numerous references to trees in our faith. Jesus says "I am a Tree you are the branches"... Saint Albert the Great (patron saint of St Albert) taught that the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, is the Fruit of the Tree of Life. We are very grateful to the Board of Trustees, artist Louis Lavoie and his team and all the people who have contributed to our Legacy Project. Stop in to see the beautiful inside mural.



### **Junior High Stuff**

Have you logged into Powerschool and then had a discussion with your son/daughter about things they can celebrate so far this year and areas for improvement? Take the time over the Fall break to talk to your child about their progress. Term one options will continue to the second week of December. Students in junior high will have the opportunity **to choose** to participate in the SAA Christmas Concert in the following ways. They can help with sound, lighting, props/scenery and logistics during the concert. If they are in the Option Drama class they can participate in a play related to the concert. If your child plays a musical instrument they can choose to perform a short number immediately before the start of the concert.

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

Nov. 17 - Last Day to Order Edo Japan Hot Lunch  
Nov. 20 - Grade ½ Swimming  
Nov. 27 - Grade ¾ Swimming  
Nov. 27 - School Council Mtg @6:30 pm  
Nov. 29 - No Kindergarten Classes



Nov. 29 - Last Day to order Christmas Concert Tickets Before Extras Go on Sale  
Dec. 2 - SAA Spirit Wear Clothing Store Reopens  
Dec. 4 - Last Grade  $\frac{2}{3}$  Swimming  
Dec. 5 - Subway Hot Lunch  
Dec. 6 - Santa Pictures Day  
Dec. 13 - Early Dismissal@11:45 am  
Dec. 13 - No Kindergarten Classes  
Dec. 16 - SAA Christmas Concert@6:30 pm  
Dec. 16 - SAA Spirit Wear Clothing Store Closes  
Dec. 16 - 20 - **Christmas Activity Week**  
Dec. 19 - School Wide Pasta Christmas Lunch For All Students - No Charge paid by Student Activity Fee  
**December 21/19 to Jan. 5/20 - Christmas Vacation - School Closed No Classes K to 8**  
Jan. 6/20 - Classes begin K-8  
Jan. 17 - No Kindergarten Classes  
Jan 20 -24 - Zoo School - Gr. 1-2-3  
Jan. 31 - No K-8 Classes - PD/Staff Meeting Day

To check dates well in advance click on our [SAA School Web Calendar](#).

#### **Thanks to the Sponsors of Field Trip Fund**



#### **School Council**

#### **St. Albert Parish News**

#### **Children's Mass**

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

#### **Bake Sale**

Please join us for our sale on November 30, after the 5 pm Mass and December 1, following both the 9 am and 11 am Masses. Our Incredible edibles are all made from scratch. Along with various baking items we also have our popular Tourtieres/\$15; Apple Pies/\$10 and Italian Meatballs & Sauce/\$10. Pre-orders are available for tourtieres (limit of 2) and sauce & meatballs. Place pre-orders with Catherine deChamplain (780) 983-1356 or email: cmjdechamplain@hotmail.com The deadline for pre-ordering is Nov.18.

#### **Living the Word of God**

It is truly beautiful to be a Catholic. What begins at Baptism is a way of life that is shaped by sacred teachings, strengthened by sacramental celebration and marked by loving service of neighbour. When this life is fully embraced in faith, hope and charity, it bears within itself the promise of eternal life! Is it any wonder that I thank God often for the decision my parents made to have me baptized? (Archbishop Smith, Pastoral Letter, Sept. 14, 2017)

#### **RCIA**

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact Darryl at the church office or email: Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca

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

#### **Holy Family Parish News**

#### **Saturday, November 9th**

CWL Bake Sale 9:30 am—2:30 pm

#### **Youth Activities**

Do you want to meet youth your age who share your faith? Do you want to play amazing games with amazing people? Do you want to have great discussions about the faith? Unite and Verve are youth groups for you! Hope you all had a great weekend. On Monday, at Unite, we will be hearing a talk about St. Jude, our saint of the month. On Wednesday, we will be having an All Saints' Day party from 6:30—8:30 pm at St. Albert Parish. This event is for youth in grades 4-9. We will be doing



a cemetery scavenger hunt, a saint emoji game, and lots more! Please email Noëlle if you are attending so that she and Rebecca can plan accordingly.

Unite: Mondays from 7:00—9:00 pm for grades 9-12

Verve: Wednesdays from 7:00—8:30 pm for grades 6-8

If you are interested, or have any questions, please email Noëlle at [youthprograms@holyfamilyparish.ca](mailto:youthprograms@holyfamilyparish.ca)

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