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Kindergarten started their 'cloud gardens' last week and are continuing to monitor it's growth throughout the week! Others sprouted sunflower seeds and they were ready to be planted outside. We also enjoyed some time together with friends on a Google Meet.



90s day had everyone attempting to look like we did in the 90s!



Students in 2/3 continue to publish their learning in their weekly class newspaper. Check out these editions that highlight their work in designing and building with cardboard, lego and baking in the kitchen!

[Edition #4](#) [Edition #5](#) [Edition #6](#)

Would you like to add to Mr. Lamer's birthday card?
Join the 2/3 class in sending your best wishes [HERE!](#)

School News - Take a look at what's coming up next week! **June 15 - 19**

Monday (15)	Look for Mr. Lamer's Weekly Announcements June 15 - 19
Tuesday (16)	
Wednesday (17)	
Thursday (18)	SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day- Send us a picture in your gear.
Friday (19)	Last Day of 19/20 Kindergarten Classes Kindergarten Year End Show 10:30 am - Google Meet Link will be sent to parents by Mrs. Shmyr. SAA Theme Day - FANCY FRIDAY

[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
- Staff will build capacity to know, model and witness Jesus Christ and share this with students
- 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

[Greetings](#)

We hope Bulletin #37 reaches you and your family safe and well.

[Happy Father's Day](#)

We would like to wish all the SAA Father's a Happy Father's Day this Sunday, June 21.
Have a great day Dad's.

[National Indigenous People's Day - Sunday, June 21](#)

Next Sunday is National Indigenous Peoples Day. We celebrate the culture of our First Nations, Metis and Inuit people in Canada. Next week our teachers will provide some activities that will help our students learn more about their historic contributions to our country. National Indigenous People's Day is an opportunity to advance reconciliation and renew relationships with indigenous peoples based upon recognition of rights, respect, cooperation and partnership.



[Last Day of Kindergarten Classes - Friday, June 19](#)

The last day of kindergarten for the 2019/20 school year is on Friday, June 19. Mrs. Shmyr will be sending out a Google Meet link to parents to watch the year end kindergarten video together. This will take place at 10:30 am on Friday, June 19. **Please be advised that Final Kindergarten Report Cards will be sent out at the end of the day on Thursday, June 25.**

[Knights Virtual "Show your Spirit" Theme Days - \[FANCY FRIDAY\]\(#\)](#)

The last SAA Theme Day will take place on Friday, June 19. On this day we are asking our students to "Dress Up" for the school day. Dresses, collared shirts and ties are welcome.

Online Learning End, Final Assessment, Report Card Distribution and Planning for Next Year

As indicated by our School Superintendent online learning will continue until June 19 for Kindergarten and June 26 for Grade 1-12. Final Report Card marks will be based on evidence collected prior to Online Learning and during Online Learning. Teachers will be responsible for assessing a student's progress and assigning a final grade. All students who were on track to progress to the next grade will. The goal is to focus on key outcomes and prepare students as best as possible for the next grade. All Provincial Achievement Exams have been cancelled. All final school generated exams will also be cancelled this school year. Because teachers need to submit their marks on June 19, in preparation for report cards, teachers will work to complete assessments and feedback prior to this date. Report cards will be issued electronically K-8 for all students on June 25. During the last week of school, June 22-26, teachers will be available to continue learning with students, while also supporting end-of-year requirements, including the return of school materials such as textbooks or technologies. At SAA we plan to collect textbooks and technology June 24 and June 25. People who have borrowed Chromebooks should now have been contacted with a time to bring in the device.

School Re-Entry Planning

Thanks to all our parents and students who participated in the GSARD Survey on Re-Entry preferences. This information will be used to help guide Division decisions to plan for three possible Re-Entry Plans for the 20-21 school year. On Wednesday, June 10 Education Minister Adriana LaGrange outlined the 3 possible scenarios:

1. **In School classes resume(near normal operations with health measures)++Targeted Scenario**
2. **In School Classes PARTIALLY resume (with additional health measures in addition to the above)**
3. **At Home learning continues (in school classes are cancelled)**

The government has indicated that the preferred and likely scenario is that students will return to daily in-school classes at the beginning of the year. The government will share it's final decision by August 1 on which scenario will be in place at the beginning of the year. Now that we have been provided with guidelines for these three scenarios our School Division is working on plans to implement any of the three possibilities. For more information related to the School Re-Entry Plans and guidelines click on the following [Alberta Government Link](#).

SAA Clothing Store

The last day of kindergarten for the 2018/19 school year is on Friday, June 21. Kindergarten children will arrive at the regular time for school. Parents are invited to join the children at 10:00 am in the Music Room for a celebration. Following the celebration there is a picnic planned for the outside. Full Day and Progressive children are welcome to stay for the remainder of the day with their grade one classes. Our SAA Clothing Store will continue taking clothing orders that would be delivered to the school in the last week of August 2020. We have added a few items and made some minor tweaks to clothing styles and logos. Be sure to check our website for more information. Click on The [SAA Clothing Store Link](#) to check out clothing options and to place an order for the start of next school year. **Last day for ordering is now June 22.**



School Chromebook Return

Families that borrowed a Chromebook for Online Learning, should have been contacted to arrange a time on June 24 or June 25 to return the Chromebook to our school. If you have not been contacted to book a time please call the school. If you are not available during these two days please email Mr. Lamer - glamer@gsacrd.ab.ca or Mrs. Kleparchuk - kleparchuk@gsacrd.ab.ca to arrange a time to return the Chromebook.

School Supply Lists

School Supply Lists for 20/21 have been posted on our website.

Once again we have decided to offer parents the opportunity to order supplies through Staples School Tools program. This popular program will have a few important changes that will provide parents with even more flexibility. Staples School Tools Program provides you with direct access to the school supplies your child will need – as provided by their actual teachers – and an easy way to order them without ever leaving home. You'll save time. You'll save money. And you'll have exactly what you need to give your child the best start possible.



Highlights of the New Program

Parents can deselect items from their child's list should they already have them. Additional items such as backpacks, Chromebooks, locker accessories etc. can be added if desired. Core list items only will be discounted by 5% for orders over 25\$ and 10% for orders over \$50.

How To Order School Supplies Through Staples

Go to the [Staples School Tools Link](#). Find and then select your child's school, and grade. Order your child's supply list when it appears. Make any adjustments to the list to suit your child's individual needs. Select free delivery with your paid order, arriving direct to your home within 2-3 days.

Online Google Meet Kindergarten Orientation

Parents who will have children in kindergarten for the 20/21 school year will be receiving a call about the Online Kindergarten Orientation Google Meet which will happen on Monday, June 22 at 6:30 pm. At this time we are very close to

confirming a Full Day class. We would like to remind any parents who have chosen half day or Progressive programming for next school year that we still have spots left in our Full Day program. Please call the school for more information.

Virtual Class Photos

Hello Sister Alphonse Families! In these challenging times, we thought your families might still enjoy having a Class Group Portrait. As we are unable to photograph live for you this spring, but our amazing team has come up with a new idea to keep the tradition alive. To view your class group photos, please follow these steps:

1. Go to www.iconexp.com
2. Select the ORDER NOW button
3. Enter your keyword **sisteralphonse20**
4. View and order your prints
5. All orders will be shipped directly to your home

Please note shipping is included and you have two size options: 5x10 and 6x12. We hope you enjoy this creative version of a class group - you are under no obligation to purchase. **Please be advised that if your child was not in attendance during the School Individual Photo Day or the Retake Day they would not be included in the Virtual Class Picture.** Stay Safe and Stay Healthy.

SAA School Yearbook is Done

Thanks to the volunteer work by Mrs. Kosik-Loewen, staff and families who have continued to send us pictures during COVID 19 the yearbook is basically done and ready to be sent for printing. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Kosik-Loewen for the countless hours she has spent in creating what we think will be a great book of memories for a very memorable year! We expect delivery of the yearbook in September 2020.

Thanks to the Current Sponsors of our SAA Field Trip Fund



Mental Health Resources - COVID 19

Are you looking for Mental Health Resources that will help you with anxiety and worry around COVID 19. Are you looking for ideas and support on how to talk with children about this. Click on the links below for support in regards to these topics.

[Mental Health Resources for K-6](#)

[Mental Health Resources 7- 12](#)

Google Resources for Parents

Click on the [link](#) to access some resources for online learning including a video tutorial on how parents can access a Google Classroom and a Google Meet. (video conference).

Read & Write for Google Chrome

Learn how to use Read & Write for Google Chrome to support reading and writing

- Read and Write for Google Chrome is a Chrome Application that supports students with reading and writing. Our Division pays for the subscription for Read & Write for Google Chrome.
- When your child is signed into Google Chrome from his or her account, he or she has access to this tool.
- Click on the [Chrome Read and Write link](#) for more

Mark Your Calendars - Important Dates Coming Soon!

June 19 - Last Day of Online Classes Kindergarten

June 19 - Fancy(Formal) Friday Theme Day

June 24 - 25 - Chromebook Return

June 25 - Final Report Cards emailed to parents

*** due to COVID 19 some of these dates could change and new dates will be added***

More Information About the Summer Reading Program - St. Albert Library

Summer Reading Game Information:

The teaser page for the St. Albert Public Library Summer Reading Game that will begin Monday, June 29th is here <https://www.sapl.ca/srg2020.html>

Book Talks by Grade:

[Grade 1 -https://youtu.be/TvYb6mybtNg](https://youtu.be/TvYb6mybtNg)
[Grade 2 -https://youtu.be/BWJLKrRbwQ](https://youtu.be/BWJLKrRbwQ)
[Grade 3 -https://youtu.be/iQbl30Sy8W4](https://youtu.be/iQbl30Sy8W4)
[Grade 4 -https://youtu.be/r-d56P9y36E](https://youtu.be/r-d56P9y36E)
[Grade 5 -https://youtu.be/aAtSonkl0vQ](https://youtu.be/aAtSonkl0vQ)
[Grade 6 -https://youtu.be/y-Wc9GmPRLw](https://youtu.be/y-Wc9GmPRLw)

Summer Reading Recommended Reading:

[Recommended Reading Grades 1-6](#)

You'll find English **and French** lists here, the books recommended are all available at the St. Albert Public Library and chosen by the staff there. Students (or parents or teachers) need more? We also do [personalized booklists](#)!

How can Kids read these books?

Some of the titles on these lists are available as ebooks or e-audio books through digital platforms on our website. **AND!** Starting June 5, people can arrange to pick-up Library books through *curbside pick-up*. Find that information on our website: www.sapl.ca

Keep an eye out either on our website or on our social media pages (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) for news about our re-opening in Phase 2. We're all excited to see you again!

Ashley King

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School Council News

On Wednesday, June 10 we had our last School Council Meeting of the year online. We were introduced to Mrs. Christine Samson who will be the Principal at SAA next school year. Mrs. Samson indicated she is very excited about the opportunity to work with students, staff and parents at Sister Alphonse Academy. Administration updated us on enrollment and indicated that combined grade classrooms are possible at virtually every grade level. We reviewed past events since our last meeting and took a look at some events that will occur at the end of the school year. Administration thanked the School Council and the Parent Appreciation Committee for the awesome Parent Appreciation activity that took place the week before. We reviewed some information regarding Re-Entry Planning guidelines outlined by the government. Mr. Lamer wanted to thank all the parents of SAA and School Council for all their support in the past two years in helping build a wonderful school culture for our kids. He indicated that it has been an honor and privilege to serve the students, staff and parents of SAA over the past two years. We selected Wednesday, September 16 as the date of our next Annual General Meeting of School Council. Please mark it on your calendar. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support and wish you all a safe and healthy summer.

Message from Friends of SAA Society

Year End Tokens of Appreciation, Borrowed Chromebooks and Library Books

While none of the staff ever expect gifts from their students, many families often wish to extend their own thanks at the end of the school year. Since this is more complicated this year, [Friends of SAA has requested that tables be available at the school on Wednesday, June 24 and Thursday, June 25 to collect any year end gifts that families may have for staff](#). This is also when borrowed items can be returned to the school.

Support Friends of SAA - Labels for Next Year

While school re-entry plans are being finalized, please consider supporting Friends of Sister Alphonse Academy in enhancing our school community by ordering through Mabel's Labels or Oliver's Labels to assist students with keeping track of their belongings once they do return to school.

Please select Friends of Sister Alphonse Academy at https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support

OR <http://www.oliverslabels.com/FriendsofSAA>

If you have any ideas for fundraisers you think might be appealing to families for the 2020/21 school year, please contact friendsofsaa@gmail.com.

Thank you so much!

St. Albert Parish News

Message from Father Ignacy

If there is one doctrine, which most defines what it means to be a Christian, it is the doctrine of the Most Holy Trinity. It is so central to our beliefs that we baptize in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Before every prayer, or when we enter into a church and bless ourselves with the holy water, we mark ourselves with the sign of the cross praying in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. To be a Christian, in essence, is to profess belief in One God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Since this belief is at the root of our identity as Christians, it is important that we have some understanding of it, even though it will always be beyond our grasp to have a full understanding of this mystery. Of course, our heads can begin to spin when we try to make sense of this great mystery. We can say that God is eternal. He has no end and no beginning. God is also all-powerful. There is nothing He cannot do. To say that all the persons of the Holy Trinity share in the nature of God is to say that whatever can be said about God can be said about the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. All of them are equally God. But simply put, God is love. Our God is not some distant Being. No. In His essence, God is a Being who is constantly loving.

We read in the gospel why Jesus came into the world: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." As complicated as we may sometimes make the matter, it all comes down to this. The God who is love loves us. And He wants us to love Him in return. The God of love wants us to know everything about Him so that our human minds can understand so that we can love Him. It is as simple as that.

Just as God has poured Himself out in love for us, so we should do the same for one another.

Blessings,

Father Ignacy Warias, OMI

COVID 19 Update

Sacraments, Retreats, Parish meetings, Social gatherings and Parish related events are still on hold until further notice but Masses have started as of Friday, 5 June. Parishioners who want to attend mass must register by calling the Parish Office as only 50 people are allowed to be in the Church at one time.

Televised Mass

Salt + Light TV has arranged with cable companies across Canada (Rogers, Bell, Telus, Shaw Direct, Videotron) to make their service available free of charge to all subscribers until 1 May 2020. This means that anyone who subscribes to cable TV will be able to access Salt + Light TV and therefore the Daily TV Mass and Sunday TV Mass produced by the National Catholic Broadcasting Council. Also, "La Messe du jour" that is produced and televised by Salt + Light TV six days a week from the crypt at Saint Joseph Oratory in Montreal will likewise be televised on Sundays now through arrangements with the Archdiocese of Montreal. Salt + Light TV is televising the daily Mass celebrated by Pope Francis from Casa Santa Marta. This airs every morning and will be televised in both English and French. The channel number on each cable company that carries Salt + Light TV can be found at <https://saltandlighttv.org/subscribe>. The Daily TV Mass is available on other faith-based television networks, and schedules can be found at dailytvmass.com/about/broadcast-schedule.

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

Holy Family Parish News

A Message from Father Fr. Jozef

Masses have resumed but under strict guidelines. We must conform to those set by the province as well as the guidelines set by the archdiocese. The maximum number of people attending Mass at any one time is 50.

Please adhere to these guidelines. I realize that many of you would prefer to attend every Sunday but since we are limited to the total attending each Mass, please consider attending every second week. If you have a sick spouse or family member, you may bring a pyx for them. Contact the office to register for the Mass you would like to attend. These are trying times but this, too, will pass.

God bless, Fr. Jozef

MASKS AVAILABLE

With Masses beginning, we have a very willing parishioner making masks. If this is something you would be interested in buying, please call the parish office to be added to the list. Once your masks are completed, you will be contacted for their pickup and can make payment through the office. Masks are \$10 each. All money collected will be donated back to the parish. Thank you for your support.

STAY SPIRITUALLY INVOLVED

In light of recent restrictions on our faith practices, here are some ideas or ways to continue your faith at home and while still respecting social distancing:

Prayer:

Continue your prayer life, first thing in the morning, mealtimes and before bed. All are easy ways to incorporate more prayer into your daily life.

Confession:

Fr. Joe has agreed to hear confessions on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm (noon) and on Thursdays and Fridays from 6:00 until 9:00 pm.

Mass:

Although currently attending Mass in person is not available, we are all strongly encouraged to attend virtually.

The Archbishop will be live streaming Sunday Masses at: <http://caedm.ca/>

Bishop Baron will also be live streaming Masses at: <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

Salt and Light has Masses at: <https://saltandlighttv.org/mass/>

EWTN has Masses at: <https://www.ewtn.com/tv/shows/sunday-mass-live>

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

[A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic](#)

Most Merciful and Triune God,

We come to You in our weakness.

We come to You in our fear.

We come to You with trust.

For You alone are our hope.

We place before You the virus present in our world.

We turn to You in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors.

Give understanding to scientists.

Endow caregivers, first responders and those who ensure food have abundant strength and protection.

Bring healing to those who are ill.

Protect those who are most at risk.

Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.

Welcome those who have died into Your Eternal Home.

Stabilize our communities.

Unite us in our compassion.

Remove all fear from our hearts.

Fill us with confidence in Your care.

Jesus, I trust in You.

Amen.

Keep the Faith!
We will get through this.

