FRIDAY KNIGHT NEWS : November 8, 2024

KNIGHTS

From the Principal's Desk...

We just wanted to take the time for everyone who made it out to the Remembrance Day liturgy/service. It was great to be able to get together to celebrate and remember those who have served and those who continue to serve to protect the rights and freedoms that we have as a country. A huge thank you to Rebecca from St. Albert Parish, our parents, students and staff who made the event successful. A special thank you to Mr. Lachappelle and Mr. Grondin for all their work in making this a special day. We certainly appreciate all the efforts. Thank you both.

As we make our way to Fall Break we just wanted to thank everyone for their support to start the school year. We have grown so fast in a short period of time with overall numbers and we appreciate the patience of everyone as we organize things in a different way. Thanks everyone for making our school a great place to be.

Have a great weekend everyone! May God Bless you and keep you safe in all that you do and as always, Go Knights!

Week At A Glance

Fall Break Nov 11-15- No School

November 18th:

November 19th: School Council Meeting (6:30 PM)

November 20th: Healthy Hunger (BPs)

November 21st: Sister Alphonse's Birthday

November 22nd:

Tickets for our "Knight's Noel" Christmas Family Night on Nov. 28th are on sale NOW in Powerschool!

St Albert Parish Sacramental Prep

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2024-25 Preparation for The Sacrament of Confirmation - Grade 6 families

2024-25 Preparation for First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (First Holy Communion) - Grade 2 families.

Faith In Action

<u>St.Albert Parish</u> <u>Holy Family Parish</u>

Trinity: Lov Mercy & Gra As a school community we commemorated Remembrance Day with a beautiful liturgy followed by a ceremony. Lest We Forget.

MISSION:

Sister Alphonse Academy is a welcoming learning community that awakens the hearts and minds of students while educating and nurturing each to learn, live fully and serve others.

VISION: Excellence in learning through faith, learning and engagements. At SAA we strive to: Serve, Achieve, Aspire



District Chaplain-Doug Kramer



No Plan "B" Gospel Reading Mark 12.38-44 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus doesn't ask us for "more". We can't impress him with an amount of money or prayer or behaviour. What impresses Jesus is someone who gives everything they have, even if especially if - that's all you can give.



Early Learning

Am Kinder had lots of fun working at different centers this week.









Full Day kinders learned about health and wellness through yoga with Mrs Hoskins.





Fun with friends!



We learned about keeping the Earth healthy with Miss Valerie from the U of A.

Both Grade 2 classes participated in a science experiment with with Dr. Valerie Miller and discussed Future Energy Systems!

Division One



Grade 1A is learning how to conduct a science experiment with Dr. Valerie form the UofA science department. We look forward to learning more about plant growth and data tracking.



Grade 3 was doing ALL things Science this week! We spent time with Dr. Valerie and did 3 experiments.



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Division Two

6B created thermometers to learn about thermal expansion and contraction of liquids!



4A had an amazing time watching The Wild Robot movie to tie in with our read aloud!







6A had an amazing week at the Legislature

Division Two

Grade 4 on their way to watch The Wild Robot.

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Division Three

Our Senior Girls' Volleyball team finished 2nd Place in Tier 2 on Thursday night. This is 6th place overall in St. Albert. This was a successful season four our very young team and small school! We had four grade 7's, 4 grade 8's and 5 grade 9's competing at the senior level! Way to go girls.





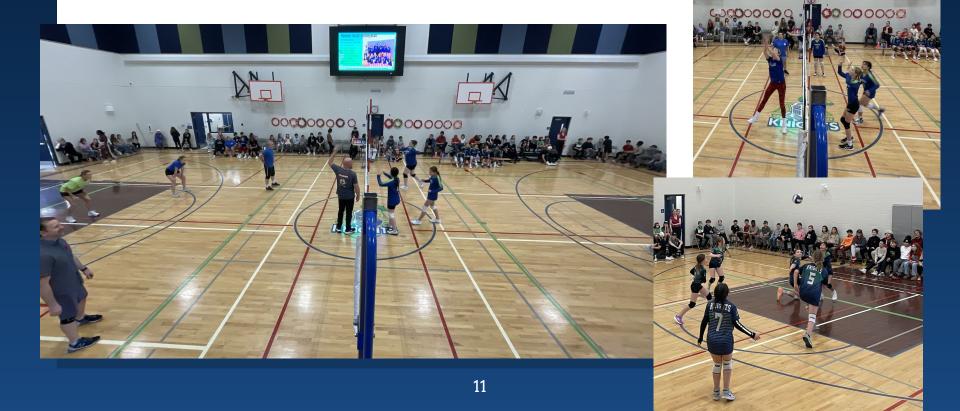
Our junior high students *dressed to impress* today to recognize the importance of our Remembrance Day Ceremony. Thank you for going out of your way to show respect on this special day.

Division Three



Student VS Staff Volleyball Game

Teachers won both junior and senior volleyball teams!



GSACS Education Foundation 50/50 Christmas Cash tickets on sale now; proceeds are used in supporting group grants to enhance learning & educational opportunities for GSACRD students. Get your tickets until Dec 3 (or until sold out) - don't miss your chance at up to \$10,000, just in time for Christmas.

https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/gsacsef

November Dates

Knights Noel tickets are on sale - Go to Powerschool to purchase! November Fall Break Nov 11-15- No School November 11th: Remembrance Day November 14th: Deadline to order Poinsettias for our CSS fundraiser November 19th: School Council Meeting (6:30 PM) November 20th: Healthy Hunger (BPs) November 21st: Sister Alphonse's Birthday, deadline to Order tickets for our "Knights Noel" November 27th: Healthy Hunger (iHop) **Advent Begins** November 28th: Beauty and the Beast play @11:30am Knights Noel from 5:30pm to 8:00pm November 29th: PD Day/No School



Knights Noel

Join us for a night of musical performances, crafts and community, Santa pictures, cookie decorating and more! Tickets on sale now! \$3ea. (4 per family) 5: 30pm - 8:00pm - Performance Schedule HERE . Thursday, Nov. 28th @ SAA

Please dress in black bottoms, white tops and Santa Hats!

ADVENT GIVING ... In preparation for the season! Poinsettia Fundraiser for Catholic Social Services Order from Oct. 18 - Nov. 14th! Pick up at our Christmas Family Night Nov.28 @ SAA - Mrs. Trenchard's Room <u>GROWING SMILES POINSETTIA FUNDRAISING LINK</u>



COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

5 friendship truths I tell my child:

- "Not everyone will like you and that's okay."
- "Good friends will always respect your 'no'."
- "Never change yourself to fit in find friends who love the real you."
- "You don't have to be friends with someone who is repeatedly unkind."
- "Making good friends can take time. But once you get there, it is so worth it!"



Friendships are vital for a sense of belonging and joy, but they can also bring challenges that may seem tough to handle. For parents and students alike, it's reassuring to know that these moments—whether it's a disagreement, feeling left out, or discovering friends who don't share our values—are opportunities to grow resilience, self-awareness, and empathy. Each challenge helps students build the skills they need for future relationships, teaching them patience, conflict resolution, and the value of kindness. When kids learn to navigate friendship ups and downs, they're not just strengthening their current relationships—they're developing emotional tools that will serve them well throughout life. Embracing these experiences helps students feel empowered and confident, knowing that each hurdle is a step toward becoming a compassionate, thoughtful friend. Check out some helpful phrases from The Big Life Journal to support your child.

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FRIENDS of SAA

November and December hot lunches are posted. Woohoo! Take a break from packing lunch and purchase your child a delicious meal!

Every order helps contribute to our goal of purchasing new chromebooks for SAA!

Thank you so much for your support!

www.healthyhunger.ca

Nov 20, 2024	Boston Pizza
Nov 27, 2024	нор
Dec 03, 2024	rock your grey matter!
Dec 04, 2024	EAF
Dec 11, 2024	RIZZO RATE

Art Cards



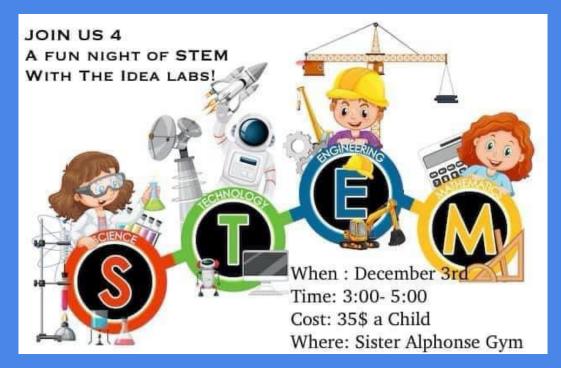
Check your child's backpack!

Students in K-Gr. 6 have made some beautiful artwork that has been transformed into cards.

If you are interested in ordering their very special masterpiece or an ornament / puzzle / plaque / notebook ... the instructions are inside the card, with their ordering code on the back.

Orders are due Nov. 22nd Thank you, Friends of SAA

SAA STEM NIGHT - 10 tickets left



On Dec. 3rd, Idea Lab is coming to SAA!!

It will be a STEMtastic good night.

The event includes a quick EXPLOSIVE science presentation followed by 4 centres around the gym (Hexbug mazes and races, zip line challenge, Bridge Engineering challenge and Hoop Gliders).

Students will meet in the gym for 3:00 and parents can pick up at the front door at 5:00pm.

Grab your spot before they are filled up.

Idealab

Ryan from Idea labs St Albert has extended a discount code to Our families at SAA for his upcoming fall break camps.

The code is **SAE10DAY** and it will save 10 % for the camps .

Fall Break @ Addealab Edible Science! November 14th

Spots still available for this exciting science and culinary adventure day camp! Register on our website

REGISTER NOW



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