

# Newsletter

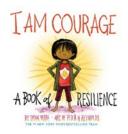
# St. John Bosco Catholic School

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June 2024

#### Administrators' Message

We began the 2023-24 school year is inspired by Matthew 5:16, "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." This passage speaks about the same way in which a city on a hill cannot be hidden, or a lamp in a room should not be hidden, we are to let our light shine. It should be obvious by our actions that we belong to Christ. Jesus says that what should be seen are the good deeds that we perform for the glory of God. The key here is glory. Who gets glory when our righteousness is noticed by others? Sometimes we will be praised by people for what we do for God, which is fine, but truly it comes down to the attitude of our hearts in the deed we perform. So, with this scripture to inspire each of us, we are called to reflect on how we 'Let Our Light Shine Forth... For the Glory of God.



Our theme book for the year is, "I Am Courage: A Book of Resilience", by Susan Verde and Illustrated by Peter Reynolds. The book focuses on how we encourage kids to find their inner strength and invites us to each consider how we model for them as the adults in their lives what it means to move ahead one breath at a time as well as how we act with bravery when faced with challenges and most of all how we gain courage and build resiliency one step at a time with courage. When we picture someone brave, we might think they're fearless but real courage comes

from feeling scared and facing what challenges us anyway. When our minds tell us "I can't," we can look inside ourselves and find the strength to say, "Yes, I CAN!"

From the I Am series comes a triumphant celebration of everyday courage: believing in ourselves, speaking out, trying new things, asking for help, and getting back up no matter how many times we may fall. Grounded in mindfulness and awareness, I Am Courage is an empowering reminder that we can conquer anything.

As we enter the final month of the school year, we reflect on the successes that this past school year has brought. The growth for both staff and students as we partnered within and outside of the school to collaborate towards continued growth and learning is always something to be celebrated. Looking ahead to the upcoming school year, we are excited about our continued growth and development in the areas of Inquiry, Written Literacy and Numeracy.

Some important upcoming dates for our school community are as follows:

Our Terrific Kids celebration will be held on June 11th by division level. As such, Div. 1- Gr. 1-3 will take

place at 10:30 am and the Div. 2-Gr. 4-6 will take place at 2:15 pm.

On June 24<sup>th</sup>, we bid farewell to our Grade 6 students and their families as they begin an exciting new chapter in their lives as Junior High students.

On June 16<sup>th</sup> we celebrate all fathers, we would like to extend a huge hug to all our SJB fathers; may you stay strong and devoted in faith and hope as you work hard to support your loved ones.



Our year end celebration will be held on June 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 pm. This year we would like to have all the students together for a final time so it will be a **closed celebration** due to capacity and wanting to be together on our last day.

June is busy, and it is also the time of year that we work on staffing for the upcoming school year. We would like to wish Ms. Karen as she begins a new journey at other schools in our district. Our TA-OT Ms. Jenna who has been with us for 2 plus years will be furthering her education. Ms. Gillian who has been with us for more than 7 years will be working closely with inclusive families at the Family Counseling center. Ms. Kowalchyk who has been with us for the last 4 years as she will be moving on to the Principal role at St Lucy School. We thank them for their years of service and commitment to the students of SJB.

As staffing is not yet completed until later in the month, the final staffing list will be shared in the September newsletter.

As educators, we recognize the important contributions parents make toward a child's success in school. One of the most important and essential elements of a great school is the partnership between the school, parish and parents who work together for the best interests of children. The collaboration between home and school is one of the exceptional strengths at St. John Bosco School. We thank all of our dedicated staff for their good works.

Enjoy a relaxing and happy summer with your family as you continue to be diligent about staying safe!

Ms. A. Esposito-Brady Principal Ms. Kowalchyk Acting Principal Ms. Bergevin-Tran
Acting Assistant Principal

#### PRAYER/REFLECTION

#### Prayer for Father's Day

God Bless all the fathers in the world.

Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children. Help them to be like You are.

Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way. To all the fathers in our school community

Amen



#### **End of the School Year Prayer**

May God's blessing go with us today, at the end of this school year, we pray.

That you keep us safe and give us rest so we start again renewed and refreshed.

Full of health, full of fun, ready to come and learn again. Amen

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER & CALENDAR INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



#### Prayer to End a School Year

God of wisdom, we thank you for all the gifts you have given us throughout this school year. We praise you for giving us life, for saving us in Christ, and for choosing us to be your people.

As we come to the end of this school year, we voice our gratitude for the good things you have done in us, and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of this school.

We ask you to bless them in your love and give them refreshment and peace. We praise you, God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers/Revised Edition. USCCB

A reminder that moving forward we will be posting SJB calendar and event dates directly onto our website for ease of access from wherever you are. Please click on the links below and place into your favorites list for easy access each month.

To access the school's calendar of events, click on link below: <a href="https://stjohnbosco.ecsd.net/calendar">https://stjohnbosco.ecsd.net/calendar</a>

To access the school's newsletters, click on the link below <a href="https://stjohnbosco.ecsd.net/newsletters-">https://stjohnbosco.ecsd.net/newsletters-</a>

#### REGISTRATIONS OF CURRENT SJB STUDENTS

Students currently attending our school are reminded that their registration continues and rolls over into the next school year. As such, for current students there is nothing to be done as students are automatically rolled over and registered for the upcoming school year based on the intentions process that occurred earlier.

Please let us know if you are **away** any days September, as we do a count on the first day of school, mid-month and at the final day of September.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION FOR NEW REGISTERING FAMILIES

For information about our registration process for the upcoming 2023-24 school year, visit our school website at <a href="https://www.ecsd.net/1024">https://www.ecsd.net/1024</a>. For any families with kindergarten age children entering school, refer to the section below within this newsletter. If you have a child in grades 1 to 6 and are interested in registering at our school, <a href="click here">click here</a>.

Registration process can only begin with the parent going online and completing the registration process. Click on the link to complete an online registration form at https://stjohnbosco.ecsd.net/register.

#### SUMMER DROP-IN REGISTRATION HOURS

**New families are always welcome** and are asked to drop in to ask questions during out **Summer Drop-in Registration Times** listed below:

### Aug. 26-28 from 10-12 pm & 1-2 pm



#### **BACK TO SCHOOL FALL START UP INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**



Parents are asked to watch their email in the last week of August for all start up details. As in the past, outlined below for your information is what parents can expect in late August for our school start up.

- Parents will receive emailed information as to the logistics for the first day of school via swift.
- The information that will be emailed out will include timelines as to when parents can expect to see their child's homeroom in power school, so they would know their child's homeroom teacher and where to line up on the school field.
- On Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:05 am, students will arrive at the school and will line up with their homeroom, (marked by pylons with a label indicating the Homeroom #. There they will be greeted by their teacher.
- Parents are welcome to watch from the perimeter of the field, allowing kids to be more independent with the comfort of their parents watching from the sidelines.
- Staff will lead their student and enter the building in a staggered fashion which will ensure that doorways, boot racks and hallways are not congested.
- Students will begin the day building community and will be oriented by the teacher as to their designated entrance door and other pertinent routines and expectations.
- Part of the orientation will include expectations related to behaviour both inside and outside of the school, personal devices which are not permitted, as well as digital citizenship, responsible technology usage for school computers which are for educational purposes only. Consequences for inappropriate use of technology will be discussed at length.
- On the second day of school, all students will line up at their designated door and students will enter in a specified order, as outline by administration to staff, again to ensure the smooth flow of traffic,

avoid congestion and ensure the smooth operations of the school during high traffic times.

#### SCHOOL START UP TIMES FOR 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

#### Grades 1 to 6 Students Start Up Dates:

First Day of classes for Gr. 1-6 is on Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd,</sup> 8:05.

#### Kindergarten Students Start Up Dates:

Staggered Entry days are September 3 and 4<sup>th</sup>. (Please refer to your scheduled date and time that was emailed out to you in June) First Day of Classes for all Kindergarten students is on Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.

AM Classes will begin at 8:05am and PM Classes will begin at 11:43 am. Meet by the front cross in front of the school.

#### SJB SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS



St. John Bosco School student supply lists were posted to the website under School Information on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Please click on the following link to take you to that Supply List Page where you can shop for your own grade school supplies.

To order click on the link: SJB Student School Supply Lists

#### **'SCHOOL START' SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS**

St. John Bosco School will once again be offering the opportunity for parents to pre-order student school supplies for the upcoming school year. This is not a mandatory program; however, it is a school fundraiser, with the school receiving \$5.00 for every kit sold. You are able to go online to place your order at <a href="https://www.schoolstart.ca">www.schoolstart.ca</a>. Visa and MasterCard are accepted.



To order click on the link: SCHOOL START Supply Lists

Supply kits will be delivered directly to your home. Here are the benefits for Home Delivery:

✓ You can pre-label your child's supplies

✓ You can add supplies to your order for your child in another school
\*\*Please note that there will be no school pick-up option, only home delivery\*\*\* If you
have any questions, please contact

**School Start:** info@schoolstart.ca Ph: 1-800-580-1868 Fax: 1-800-580-1890

#### TRANSPORTATION 2024-25 FEE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

#### **REMINDER: for 24-25 School Year**

All students will be rolled over from this current school year 2023-24 to the 2024-25 school year.

The only students that need to apply for TRANSPORTATION for the 2024-25 school year are the students that are new to a school for the 2024-25 school year, or the students that are moving home addresses and secondary addresses.

Who is eligible for Yellow Bus Service?: Eligibility for yellow bus service is determined by where a student lives. Students attending their designated school may be eligible for yellow bus service if they are:

- Kindergarten to Grade 6 who live at least **1 km** from their designated school
- Grades 7 to 12 who live at least **2 km** from their designated school

The first date of transportation is September 3, 2024 (Regular bus and curb service). The first day for Kindergarten noon hour bussing is September 6<sub>th</sub>.

If you have any questions, please contact transportationservices@ecsd.net

#### GRADE 6 PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Grade 6 will begin writing our Provincial Achievement Tests. As such, we wanted to send out some important reminders that will contribute to our students' overall success with these exams. Below you will find reminders that will be reviewed in class. Please review with your child at home as well. It is important that leading up to these exams our students continue to follow the attached PAT calendar and spend time nightly reviewing concepts. Just as with anything if concepts are not practiced, they are not remembered.

- Students should be going to bed on time nightly and getting enough sleep for the following day
- It is important that breakfast is eaten every morning and that students bring their lunch and snacks for the day
- A full water bottle should be packed

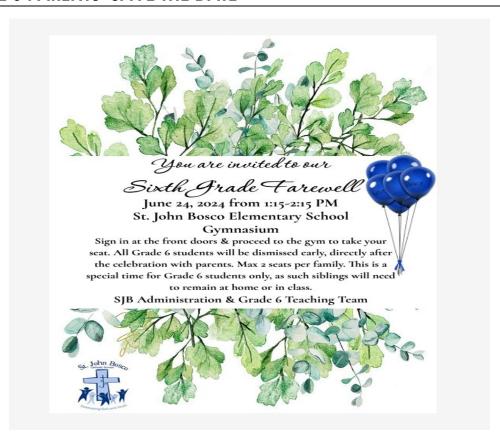
All scores after grading are unofficial but will be shared with your child

As indicated by the Alberta Government, Grade 6 students did not write a Math or Language Arts Provincial Achievement exam. However, St John Bosco students will be participating in Field Testing for both Language Arts Part A and B, as well as Math Part A and B. These Field-Testing marks will include all material covered through the year and will be reflected on your child's summary report in June. This is a great opportunity to learn the digital tools that students using in future learning in junior high on the Chromebook.

#### The schedule for these exams and the time allotted will be as follows:

Wednesday, May 15 LA Part A Field Test 4 hours Wednesday, June 12 LA Part B Field Test 2 hours Thursday, June 13 Math Part A Field Test 40 minutes Friday, June 14 Math Part B Field Test 2 hours 20 minutes Wednesday, June 19 Social Studies 2 hours Thursday, June 20 Science 2 hours

#### **GRADE 6 PARENTS 'SAVE THE DATE'**



#### **CLASS LIST CONSTRUCTION**

This is the time of year where we begin to consider and work on class lists for the upcoming school year. Student placement in classes is one of the most important things we do as a school team of professionals. Parents, we have listed below for you the process used to generate our class lists. We, as professionals, who work with your children day in and day out are very clear on the needs of our students and understand fully the impact of developing class lists that are functional, manageable and well-balanced in several categories. We consider a variety of variables in the construction of those class lists.

The following categories are considered by our learning teams which are made up of Teachers, Multi-Discipline Service Providers, Learning Coach, and Administration:

**Ability**: The best conditions for an effective learning community are created by placing children in an environment where there is a range of abilities. This creates strength through diversity and students can draw on the richness of positive group dynamics.

**Gender Balance**: It is important that the gender ratio is as balanced as possible.

**Multi-Disciplinary Supports Required**: Some students require additional supports from a variety of multi-disciplinary staff based on developmental needs.

**Independence**: Some students are highly independent workers; others require more direction and support. A balanced mix is needed to create a supportive learning environment for all students. Our goal is to ultimately create independence and not dependence on others, as such we ensure that children have opportunities to make new friends each year.

**Behaviour**: Students exhibit a variety of behaviors. Some students require more guidance and positive role modeling than others to develop acceptable and proper behavior. Equal distribution of children who have behavioral needs among the different classrooms must be considered.

**Children with Exceptional Needs**: Some students may require academic challenge or academic support. Equal distribution of these students in each classroom must be considered.

**English As a Second Language Learners:** Some students, as new Canadians require special services and interventions as they continue to build their language skills.

As is in the past, we will **NOT** be accepting classroom requests; please understand that these decisions are made very carefully with the needs of <u>ALL STUDENTS</u> in mind! We hope this helps you to better understand the logic and rational of student placement. Thank you for your support.

#### FLOOR HOCKEY TEAMS

Our boys' and girls' floor hockey team were excited to participate in the St. Dominic Heart and Hustle Floor Hockey Tournament last month!

They have been practicing since April and were eager to put their skills and sportsmanship to the test on the afternoon of Thursday, May 9th. The boys came in second and the girls came in first at the tournament and brought the cup back to SJB! Congratulations to all of our amazing athletes!

#### TERRIFIC KIDS CERTIFICATE TERM 3 RECIPIENTS

We will celebrate our final Terrific Kids with GIFTS recognition assembly on Tuesday, June 11th. These assemblies honour, celebrate, and acknowledge students who have nurtured their GIFTS by sharing the virtues taught throughout the **months** of March, April, May, and June:

Forgiveness, Justice, Compassion, and Faithfulness

Students in Division 1 (K-GR. 3) will be recognized at 10:30, followed by Division 2 (GR. 4-6) in the afternoon at 2:15, each student will receive a certificate, pencil, treat and bumper sticker or magnet which is graciously supplied by Edmonton Southwest Kiwanis Club and spearheaded by Mr. Dan O'Keefe who generously volunteers his time.

Please note the **virtues** highlighted for each of the respective months throughout the year are **aligned with the Catholic virtues outlined monthly in student agendas** and are as follows:

GR	Forgiveness	Justice	Compassion	Faithfulness
00A		Peter I. Olivia S.	Lena T. Cindy S.	Beza D.
00В	Evaan N. Shivesh S.	Milo A. Nixon R.	Anna K. Jasmine O.	Abiela T. Shaan S.
00C	Jackson B. Nathan T.	Wiktor K. Naomi O.	Abigail M. Dominic S.	Sienna C. Ximena P.
00D	Maddex L.	Isaac E. Emma D. Joel A.	HannahG. Chelsey B.	Amari I.
1A	Zia B. Kayla R.	Shama C. Enzo S. Nico Z.	Aaron S. Anaëlle M.	Gelila W. Judah J.
1B	Merry M. Kome O.	Salome O. Aiden S.	Teodora P. Arlo F.	Olivia E. Owen I.
1C	Lukas W. Jad I.	Oliver T. Lance M.	Aiden P. Ava W.	Maxine H. Desiree O.
1D	Abigail M. Aidan G.	Vincent N.	Varunika K. Parker C.	Light P. Siji A.

2A	Lance G. Garrett J.	Lauren P. Tinley G.	Nebi K.,	Harlow G. Ruhama R.
2B	Maison D. Marcello G.	Chloe P. Brianna R. Hayley A.	Alexis I. Marko M.	Ellie M. Joury S.
2C	Arya A. Hustinx Jr. A.	Jacob Y., Mlkiyas M.	Madison M., Ihlaan R.	Alexander J. Nanate E.
2D	Andreia F. Kai N.	Tiago B. Anh N.	Mateo D. Joyce A.	Daniel A. Mercy A.
3A	Ezekiel S. Cara R. Dylan M.	Ariana W. Mason K.	Gabriel D. Caileigh G.	Adam B. Jason A.
3B	Chesca C. Miles M.	Hendrick S. Grace S.	Edward M. Isaac A. Florence N.	Kendra O. Sawyer M.
3C	Atnina O. Ayansa Y.	Ezekiel M. Uriah H. Dominic D.	Lincoln C.	Nazret G. Sophia Q.
3D	Lucas K. Andi D. Yonatan B.	Salah H. Omari M.	Antonella M. Garin H.	Lyla A. Isabella O.

GR	Forgiveness	Justice	Compassion	Faithfulness
4A		Ronin M.	Mariama J. Aria S. Giuliana Z.	Anastasia K. Adelina R. Kevin S.
4B	Naomi N. Charlie A.	Hunter K. Chulainn J. Thea K. Rex O.	Patricia S. Andre A.	Lataa E. Sloane K. Charis K.
4C	Emily H. Joshua D.	Kendrick K. Marcenzo T. Peyton H.	Ali J. Gibbous M. Ellias C.	Shandi C. Isabel G.
4D	Debra W. Brandon K.	Ekam S. Sara F.	Andrew N. Gabriella D. Addison B.	Mariia P. Anastasiia O.
5A	Jero B. Leon A. Colton M.	Daksh G. Jeremy L.	Kinley E. Eli H. Ryan R.	Anjola L. Hana K.
5B	Aliya S. Caleb G.	Julianna F. Brianna J.	Philip T.	Violeta M. Loudonya B.

		Abel G.	Vanessa S. Eldana S.	Joy N.
5C	Ronin S. Jaiden L. Aaryan S.	Mia W. Gia P. Zachary K. Victoria A.	Eligh C. Apollo D. Adrian E.	Marcus T. Sofia M. Dareen H.
6A	London A. AnLong N. Andrew S.	Sehana M. Elizabeth S.	Natalia J. Jad K. Avani W.	Nathan L. Audrey T.
6B	Shannen S. Thomas W.	Zaidan F.	Julia C. Emmanuella O.	Ella F. Emerson H.
6C	Dave G. Ayahna V. Noah C.	Jett W. Alejandro A. Jessie B.	Hanaa A. Soliana A. Sabrin G.	Diya M. Irene M.

#### DANCE-A-THON MAY 23-26

In May, we got moving, worked on remembering new dance routines and expressed ourselves through the art of dance. We ended the week with a whole school dance number and an opportunity to show off some of the great moves that we learned. Thank you to all of those of you who contributed to our Dance- A- Thon fundraiser!



Pledges are due Monday June 3rd.

#### SJB SCHOOL SPIRIT EVENTS FOR JUNE

The following events are highlighted for all students:

#### June 7th

#### Dress like a teacher/staff member

Our student leadership team has organized theme day on the first Friday. Students get to come dressed like their teachers/ staff, in turn staff might just dress like the students that day. It will be fun to see what outfits changes we will see.

#### Friday, June 21:

#### National Indigenous Peoples Day

We have National Indigenous Peoples Day to recognize the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada. We will be celebrating National Indigenous Peoples Day across Canada, a time for all **Canadians** - **Indigenous**, non-**Indigenous** and newcomers - to reflect upon and learn the history, sacrifices, cultures,

contributions, and strength of **First Nations**, Inuit and Metis people. For our communities, increasing awareness, and celebrating diversity is part of a path forward in the important relationship with the Indigenous people in Alberta.

#### Fun Day / Beach Day June 25

Fun Day will be held on the morning of Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, wear your beach day attire. (No bathing suits)

Fun Day will be held on the morning of Tuesday, June 25th. Fun Day is an opportunity for students to get outside and participate in a variety of activities with their teachers and classmates. The afternoon is reserved for homeroom year end activities.

We are also looking for volunteers to help run the stations and make Fun Day a success. Should you wish to volunteer, please refer to the swift or this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/JXA5s8BYn8ej67HW8">https://forms.gle/JXA5s8BYn8ej67HW8</a>

The Fun Day committee will be coordinating volunteers and will send out a confirmation letter to those parents who were randomly selected to volunteer. We thank all our volunteers in advance and if you were not selected, please know that next year there will be an abundance of opportunities for you to volunteer.

We look forward to spending time as a school community!

#### COMPLIMENTARY HOT LUNCH FUN DAY - JUNE 25

SJB Fundraising Society will be hosting and treating all students to a FREE FUN DAY HOT LUNCH on June 25 which is our Fun Day.

Each student from Kindergarten to Grade 6, will receive 1 beef hotdog, chips and a frozen treat to enjoy during the regular lunch time(12:11 - 12:31pm)





Please note that should your child have a healthier appetite we recommend that parents provide and send their child with additional lunch or snack items. Please ensure that your child has their water bottle for the day's events and lunch. For those students who have been identified with dietary restrictions or food allergies as per their student registration form, a letter will be sent to those specific families directly. If you have NOT identified your child's medical/food needs than please contact the office directly.

We will require a few volunteers for hot lunch assembly and distribution and are asking that if you wish to volunteer, please email: sjbhotlunch@gmail.com

#### YEARBOOK ORDERS

#### YEARBOOK ORDERS DUE BY JUNE 7, 2024- GO TO PARENT PORTAL TO ORDER

Don't be disappointed, get your yearbook order in as a keepsake of your child's time here at SJB.. This is especially important for our grade 6 students her are moving on to junior high and to our families moving out of the community.

#### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

#### ST. JOHN BOSCO SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION FOR 2024-25

Grade 1 to Grade 6

Monday, Tuesday,	, Wednesday & Friday	Thursday		
8:05 am	Entry Bell	8:05 am	Entry Bell	
8:05-8:15 am	Registration	8:05-8:15 am	Registration	
8:15-10:06 am	Instructional Time	8:15-10:07 am	Instructional Time	
10:06-10:21 am	Recess Break	10:07-10:22am	Recess Break	
10:21-12:12 pm	Instructional Time	10:22 -11:40 am	Instructional Time	
12:12-12:32 pm	Lunch Time	11:41 am	Early Dismissal	
12:32-12:49 pm	Lunch Recess			
12:49 pm	Entry Bell			
12:49-12:52 pm	Registration			
12:52-2:50 pm	Instructional Time			
2:50 pm	Dismissal			

At times, students in both the morning and afternoon classes may be asked to attend class together in the morning for a combined field trip or for special presentations. There are no classes held on Thursdays for Kindergarten students.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday A.M. Class		Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday P.M. Class		
8:05 am	Entry Time	11:43 am	Entry Time	
8:05-11:12 am	Instructional Time	11:43-2:50 pm	Instructional Time	
11:12 am Dismissal		2:50 pm	Dismissal	

#### **SCHOOL FEES INFORMATION FOR 2024-25**

Our school fees for the upcoming school year will be posted to our school's website.

#### REPORT CARDS

Final report cards for students in all grades will be posted to PowerSchool on Wednesday, June 26, 4:00 pm. Report cards will not be available prior to this time. Please note that report cards are only available for two weeks once they have been posted, so please make sure to print a copy.



#### HOME READING PROGRAM - BRADY BUNCH PIZZA LUNCH WINNERS

We are very excited to celebrate our ongoing monthly 'Brady Bunch Pizza Lunch' Home Reading Program. We are happy that the monthly winners will be having a pizza lunch with Mrs. Esposito-Brady.

It has been a wonderful experience to witness the excitement from all our St. John Bosco students as they enter their names into a monthly draw for **PIZZA WITH THE PRINCIPAL!** Over the past few years, our SJB Home Reading Program has proven to be a GREAT SUCCESS

and we look forward to continuing to watch the enthusiastic attitude and love for reading.

**BRADY BUNCH PIZZA LUNCH MONTHLY RECIPIENTS** Congratulations to the following students whose names have been drawn for **May** 's Pizza with The Principal:

00A: Kayla R.	1A: Arya A.	2A: Yatse W.	3A: Danijela Z.	4A: Hana K.	5A: Tudor B.	6A: Athena D.
00B: Alden L.	1B: Kai N.	2B: Michael N.	3B: Marc G.	4B: Victoria A.	5B: Tavius K.	6B: Damien B.
OOC: Blakely K.	1C: Emma C.	2C: Elise Y.	3C: Evelyn I.	4C: Ethan K.	5C: Jovanny P.	6C: Colton H.
OOD: Connor H.	1D: Madison M.	2D: Ellie G.	3D: Charlie A.	4D: Raffaella B.		

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL/PARENT FUNDRAISING SOCIETY INFORMATION

School council is vital to the continued life of our school as we have discussed as a group a number of topics and have especially enjoyed having increased perspectives and feedback shared by our parents.

**Special thanks on behalf of the administration** to our wonderful executive. St. John Bosco School values the School Council, the Parent Fundraising Society and the roles these groups play in contributing to our school programs. For information, please see below as you consider a role next year.

St. John Bosco School Council & Parent Fundraising Executive 2023-24

Title	Name
Chairperson	Erin N - A
Vice Chairperson	Waltana M
Secretary	Vanessa F
Financial Liaison (Treasurer)	Yetunde L
Casino Coordinator	Nancy R



We are actively seeking out parents who may be interested in running for a role as Executive Council for next year. If you have any questions or wish to express your interest in any of the positions, please contact your School Council Executive Chairperson, Ms. Nykyforuk-Ahmad or Acting Principal, Ms. Kowalchyk by June 14<sup>th</sup>.

All Executive members are selected during the annual general meeting (AGM) which will take place on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 6:30 pm, before the Meet the Staff Night.

Listed below for your information are the various Executive Members positions and their responsibilities as member of the Executive:

#### 1. DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

#### A. Chair

Unless otherwise delegated, the Chair of the Council will:

- 1) Chair all meetings of the Council.
  - 2) Coordinate with the Principal to establish meeting agendas.
  - 3) Communicate with the Principal on a regular basis.
  - 4) Decide all matters relating to rules of order at the meetings.
  - 5) Ensure that Council Operating Procedures are current and followed.
  - 6) Be the official spokesperson of the Council.
  - 7) Be an ex-officio member of all committees of the Council.
  - 8) Ensure that there is regular communication with the whole School Community.
  - 9) Review any communication to the School Community prior to distribution and include the Principal in the same.
  - 10) Stay informed about School and School Board policy that impacts the Council.
  - 11) Comply with the School Councils Regulation by providing the School Board with an annual report that summarizes the Council's activities for the previous School year by September 30th; and
  - 12) Have general responsibility for all activities of the Council.

#### B. Vice-Chair

Unless otherwise delegated, the Vice-Chair of the Council will:

1) In the event of resignation, incapacity or leave of absence of the Chair, fulfill the Chair's responsibilities until a new Chair is elected.

- 2) In the absence of the Chair, supervise the affairs and preside at any meetings of the Council.
- 3) Work with and support the Chair in agenda preparation.
- 4) Ensure the appropriate management, in compliance with PIPA, of any personal information collected on behalf of the Council.
- 5) Assume responsibility, in consultation with the Council and Executive, for communicating with other Parent groups within the Council and School.
- 6) Promote teamwork and assist the Chair in the smooth running of the meetings;
- 7) Keep informed of relevant School and School Board policies; and
- 8) Assist the Chair and undertake tasks assigned by the Chair.

#### C. Secretary

Unless otherwise delegated, the Secretary of the Council will:

- 1) Act as a recorder at each meeting and ensure that the minutes are prepared accurately to reflect the directions agreed to at the meeting.
- 2) Keep minutes, correspondence, records and other Council documents, and ensure that all relevant documents (as per legislation) are available to the public in an accessible location in the School, for a period of 7 years; and
- 3) Distribute, as determined by the Council, agendas, minutes, notices of meetings and notices of other events.

#### D. Financial Liaison (Treasurer)

Unless otherwise delegated, the Financial Liaison of the Council will:

- Present a full, detailed account of receipts and disbursements to the Council as required by the Council, and prepare the financial statements for the annual report; and
- 2) Work collaboratively with the Fundraising Association.



#### **EDMONTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Hello from the Edmonton Public Library, Londonderry Branch!

Warmer weather is coming, and we're excited to share information about <u>Summer Starts at EPL</u>. Summer Starts at EPL engages children in reading, learning and creating at EPL in order to prevent a slide in student learning over the summer months.

The students will have opportunities track their summer reading, make their own buttons after every 6 hours of reading, and participate in free fun events in which they explore concepts in science, technology, engineering and art.

Opening day at the Londonderry Branch is Saturday, June 22 with activities from 1:00-4:00 pm. Children can visit any library location on or after June 22 to pick up their free registration package and begin reading for the chance to win exciting prizes.

#### INDIGENOUS LEARNING MONTH

June is National Indigenous Peoples History Month. The month celebrates Indigenous peoples and their culture. The month culminates on June 21st which is National Indigenous Peoples Day.

This is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of <u>First Nations</u>, <u>Inuit</u> and <u>Métis</u> peoples. The Canadian Constitution recognizes these three groups as Aboriginal peoples, also known as Indigenous peoples.



Although these groups share many similarities, they each have their own distinct heritage, language, cultural practices and spiritual beliefs.

In cooperation with Indigenous organizations, the Government of Canada chose June 21, the summer solstice, for National Aboriginal Day, now known as National Indigenous Peoples Day. For generations, many <u>Indigenous peoples and communities</u> have celebrated their culture and heritage on or near this day due to the significance of the summer solstice as the longest day of the year.

At St. John Bosco, students will be reading Indigenous books, playing Indigenous games and learning about Indigenous culture throughout the month. We will have a full day of activities and celebrating Indigenous culture.

#### SJB SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL TEAM GRADE 5/6

We are delighted to share exciting news about our amazing Grade 5 students who have taken on the role of school safety patrollers. Since March, they have demonstrated exceptional dedication and responsibility, ensuring the safety of our school community. We couldn't be prouder of their achievements!



Grade 5 students had the opportunity to learn from our Grade 6 patrollers, who have been serving as exemplary role models in their safety patrol duties. The Grade 6 students have shown great leadership and have been instrumental in guiding and mentoring their younger peers. Thanks to the guidance and support of our Grade 6 patrollers, our

Grade 5 students have risen to the occasion, going above and beyond in keeping our school safe. Their commitment, attentiveness, and teamwork have made a significant impact on our school community!

To celebrate the hard work and dedication of our Grade 6 patrollers, AMA has planned a special event. On June 2nd, they will be treated to a well-deserved picnic at Rundle Park. It will be a time for them to reflect on their achievements and enjoy a day of fun-filled activities and camaraderie. We would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to our Grade 6 patrollers for their outstanding contributions to our school safety program this year. They have truly made a difference in creating a safe neighborhood for all!

Thank you for your continued support in fostering a culture of safety and responsibility at our school. Together, we can ensure a bright future for our students.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



To access the Superintendent's monthly message please click on the following link:

To access the Chief Superintendent's monthly message please click on the following link:

Superintendent's Message

#### ST. DOMINIC SAVIO PARISH INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

For parish sacramental preparation information, please click on the links below for the most current parish information. <a href="https://stdominicsavio.caedm.ca/sacraments/confirmation/">https://stdominicsavio.caedm.ca/sacraments/confirmation/</a> for additional information, please contact the pastoral assistant as noted below.

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# **SACRAMENTS REGISTRATION**

# FIRST RECONCILIATION

# 1st HOLY COMMUNION

The Holy Eucharist (Holy Communion) is "the source and summit of the Christian life," around which the other sacraments and ministries are oriented.

The Holy Eucharist is the sacrament in which Jesus Christ gives His Body and Blood (His very own self) for us so that we might give ourselves to him in love and be united with Him in Holy Communion. In this way we are joined with the one Body of Christ, the Church (CCC. 1322, 1324, 1409, 1413).

Children 7 years of age or older are invited to Register and prepare for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion (Eucharist).

**REGISTRATION OPENS: MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024** 

First Holy Communion is for any baptized child in Grade 2 and above

Registration fee: \$50

For more information, or to register, please visit parish website or contact the parish office on 780-473-4259 Ext 2 or email <a href="mailto:stdominicsavio.sacraments@caedm.ca">stdominicsavio.sacraments@caedm.ca</a>

**REGISTRATION CLOSES: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024** 

FIRST COMMUNION DAY: June 22, 2025

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi Sunday)

Sacraments preparation classes at St. Dominic Savio Parish is guided by the Archdiocese of Edmonton Standards.



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of Edmonton



#### Learn More:

https://stdominicsavio.caedm.ca/

## CONFIRMATION

The sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal grace, for it is by this sacrament that the baptized are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence, they are the true witnesses of Jesus Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed to those around us. (CCC. 1285).

Young people aged 12 or older are invited to Register and prepare to celebrate Confirmation.

REGISTRATION OPENS: MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024
For Grade 6 and above who have received First Holy Communion
(Holy Eucharist).

Visit parish website to Register or call the Parish Office.

Registration fee: \$50

REGISTRATION CLOSES: FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2025

CONFIRMATION DAY: SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 (Pentecost Sunday)

#### RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS & RCIA – Adapted for Children

#### Want to become Catholic?

Have you been wondering what it means to be Catholic? Do you want your child to become Catholic? Find out more about RCIA Programs in the parish website.

RCIA Adapted for children/Youth is open to anyone 7 - 13 years of age who has not been baptized.

#### Accompanying RCIA Inquirers

If you would like to spend a little time sharing your faith or simply being present to someone who wants to know more about Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church, contact the parish office.

#### REGISTRATION OPENS: MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024

Also for anyone 7 years of age and older who has been baptized and not yet received First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Registration fee: \$50

Class starts Sunday September 8, 2024.

Visit parish website to Register or call the Parish Office.

REGISTRATION CLOSES: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

# REGISTER TODAY

SCAN HERE TO VISIT PARISH WEBSITE



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