

SEPTEMBER 'WELCOME BACK' NEWSLETTER



St. John Bosco Catholic Elementary School

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SEPTEMBER 2026



Prayer for the Start of a New School Year

Lord, We pray that our children will develop a passion for the things of God. We pray they will hunger and thirst for You and Your Word and will love You with all of their heart, soul, and mind. Give them compassionate and generous hearts to love others as much as You love them. We pray they will always work and study with excellence, but that You will help them desire a servant spirit of greatness, rather than a worldly lust for success. We pray they will fall in love with Jesus over and over again. We ask this in your name. Amen.

Welcome to the 2026- 2027 school year!

We hope that everyone had a great summer. The students and staff are so excited to see each other. We would like to formally welcome all of our new families to the St. John Bosco School family! Additionally, we would like to welcome all of our new staff members to our school. Our Division theme for this year is "Rooted in Joy." At St. John Bosco, this theme is supported by this year's book "**Be Kind**" by Pat Zietlow Miller and Jen Hill which shares the message that frames every interaction we have with our classmates, parents and teachers.

From the Catholic context we are blessed to be able to be understanding and welcoming of each individuals' unique qualities in an inclusive and multi-cultural environment.

If you ever have questions, suggestions, or concerns, please contact us at the school. We are very excited to be starting this fantastic year!

Mr. Mark Sylvestre – Principal

Mrs. Tracey Sauer – Assistant Principal

Mrs. Marta Prystasz – Assistant Principal



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***Parent Council Annual
General Meeting Sept. 17,
2026
6:00 PM***

All Parents Welcome!

School Hours

Grade 1 to Grade 6

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday		Thursday	
8:05 am	Entry Bell	8:05 am	Entry Bell
8:05-8:13 am	Registration	8:05-8:13 am	Registration
8:14-9:54 am	Instructional Time	8:14-9:50 am	Instructional Time
9:54-10:09 am	Recess Break	9:50-10:05 am	Recess Break
10:09-11:48 pm	Instructional Time	10:05 -11:41 am	Instructional Time
11:48-12:08 pm	Lunch Time	11:41 am	Early Dismissal
12:08-12:28 pm	Lunch Recess		
12:28 pm	Entry Bell		
12:28-12:30 pm	Registration		
12:30-2:50 pm	Instructional Time		
2:50 pm	Dismissal		

Kindergarten

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

Picking up Children at School and Students arriving Late to School

In order to ensure security and safety of all our students at St. John Bosco, we ask that you kindly call the office when picking up your child during the middle of the day. For example, if your child is leaving early due to an appointment, call the office to advise the office staff. Your child will be called to meet you at the office. Additionally, if you arrive late with your child in the morning, please ensure that they check in with the office. We will be “cracking down” on our students that arrive late on a continual basis, and the attendance board may have to be contacted. BE ON TIME every day, the loss of instructional time accumulates to your child’s disadvantage. School doors are open from 8:05-8:10. Students arriving after that need to use main front doors.

Home Contact Information

A gentle reminder that if you have recently changed any of your home contact information, please provide updates to the office as soon as possible. This includes e-mail address so that you may receive important school communications. Additionally, if student emergency contact information has changed, please update this information as well. You will receive a Student Verification email early in the school year to update your personal information.

Pickup After School and Bussing

Please note that if you are picking up your child after school, and they are regularly scheduled to take the bus, please ensure that you let the office know of this change before you pick up your child. Not doing so often creates confusion and worry for both bus drivers and school staff in that when your child does not show up for his or her bus, we do not know of their whereabouts. The end of the day is not the time to make these calls as the office is very busy.

Bussing begins Sept. 2 for students in Grade 1-6. Kindergarten bussing begins on Sept. 11. You need to check your Powerschool account for pickup and drop off times. Please download and sign up on your mobile device the BusPlanner App. Follow the directions to link your child's bus routes for am/pm and Thursday's bus schedule. This will keep you informed of late busses.



“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness...”
Galatians 5.22

The design for the 2026–20267 school year's "Rooted in Joy" theme takes a more literal approach, incorporating elements that reflect both faith and symbolism. Our Catholic faith, represented by the cross, is integrated into a tree, reinforcing the idea of being "rooted" while also evoking the image of the "Tree of Life." The tree itself grows from a dove at its base, symbolizing a foundation of peace and spiritual beginnings.

It represents the seed of our joy and faith. It grows and explodes into joyous colours through circular fireworks for the tree canopy meant to represent a celebration and are done in overlaid circles, a motif prevalent in our Division, and symbolic of togetherness, wholeness, and community.

The rich variety of colours highlights the diversity in our school division. A white back-ground is used to reflect the liturgical colour of joy, while yellow (gold), an alternative liturgical colour for joy, was used as the main colour of the -reworks, further emphasizing the theme of light, joy, and celebration.

St. John Bosco School Staff

Our total student enrollment to date is 635 students. As students continue to register, minor class changes may occur in order to accommodate the needs of our school and the needs of our students. It should be noted that enrollment fluctuates somewhat at all grade levels during the month of September. Our funding is based on the enrollment count on Sept. 29. Staffing therefore is not finalized until the final enrollment count.

Principal Mark Sylvestre

Assistant Principals Tracey Sauer
Marta Prystasz

Instructional Coach Lisa Hailes

Administrative Secretary Matilda Sousa

Administrative Clerk Benita Boyko

EBS Suzanne Kahler
TA-BT Evelyn Hartard
TA-BT Evelyn Astorga Salas

TA-SL Lisa Sales

Educational Assistants

Vicki Dickson
Melissa Vandenberg
Rabiah Jomaa
Dume Ipa
Iriola Latifi
Natsnet (Mimi) Mender
Josephine Aljecera
Vickie Beaudoin
Rosemary Evans
Rochelle Simeon
Sondes Abda
Maria Alicpala
Ariam Medhanie
Davinder Sudan

Kindergarten 0A, 0B

Kindergarten 0C, 0D

Grade 1A

Grade 1B

Grade 1C

Grade 1D

Grade 2A

Grade 2B

Grade 2C

Grade 2D

Grade 3A

Grade 3B

Grade 3C

Grade 3D

Grade 4A

Grade 4B

Grade 4C

Grade 4D

Grade 5A

Grade 5B

Grade 5C

Grade 5D

Grade 6A

Grade 6B

Grade 6C

Music

Math Int. Educator

Lit/Numeracy Support

Complexity Teacher

Carrie Mastronardi

Heather Conroy

Desiree Brownlee

Carol Strilchuk

Christina Ianni/Carly Migadel

Emily Campbell

Samantha Chuback

Melissa Carnovale

Alexandra Welsh

Megan Hennessey

Katrina Molzahn

Emma Schraepel/Danielle Reith

Amy Williams

Kara-Lynn Sneddon

Brianne Caldarola

Adriana Elias/Samantha Chlebek

Lynda Zolcinski

Jackie Small

Michelle Melnyk

Daniela Kingsley

Kimberly Craig

Carly Hannay

Lillian Aguilera

Megan Jackson

Amie Pereira

Sheena Newbury

Grazia Caramia

Lana Garcia

Diane Bergevin-Tran

Head Custodian

Senior Custodian

Light Duty

Harnek Bains

Maria Drapala

Martha Lestari

At this time, we are very pleased to extend a special welcome to the teaching staff at St. John Bosco School as well as the large number of wonderful support and custodial staff that help to serve our kids! We are blessed to have each of you!



Weekly Newsletters/Communications

Edmonton Catholic Schools has a communication system called School Messenger. This system is designed for quick, paperless messaging to our schools. It is important to note that all school communications (i.e. Weekly Newsletter and important information) will take place via School Messenger so no paper copies will be sent home. Please don't unsubscribe as you will then not be able to receive information.

With this in mind, in order for you to receive School Messenger messages it is important that the school has an updated e-mail address AND an updated phone number.

If you've accidentally unsubscribed and are not receiving regular updates every Friday, please contact the office to enable this tool. Thanks!

Student Agenda Books – Lates and Communication

Each student from Grade 1-6 receives a student agenda. The agenda is to be signed and returned to class each day. This is an excellent means of communicating between home and school and it's where you can let us know of changes in routines like appointments, busing changes or in-person pickups. Our students love using the agenda to let you know what they need to focus on or upcoming events.

Please Note: Students are to bring their agenda to the office for a **late stamp or slip** when they come to school late. In the interests of future citizens that contribute to our society, please don't be late.

Security – “Visitor Access Policy”

To ensure the safety of our students and staff, entry in and out of the building for individuals who are not staff or students is closely monitored. St. John Bosco school has a 'Visitor Access Policy'.

✓ **We are asking that all approved visitors please enter our building through the front door only.**

- If you are here early to pick up your child, after calling the office we are asking that you please wait at the front. We will call your child down to the office for you.
- Parents/Guardians, are welcome to access the school as a visitor, please call to book an appointment.
- If you are granted access as a visitor, We ask that you sign in at the front desk and to wear a visitor pass/nametag. You will then need to sign out when you leave.

Once again, these policies are in place to help ensure the safety and security of our entire school community.

Parking/Student Drop-Off – Student Safety



Please note that for the safety of staff, students and community members in general, we require that you NOT park in the school parking lot OR drop off OR pickup students in the parking lot. In addition, our bus lane is not for student drop off or pickup. Please use the crosswalks and teach your children to follow the rules. Our layby extends back to the west cross walk. It will be for parents to “kiss and drop” not park, with our daycare vans/bus taking priority near the front. Our buses will be on the main roadway. We appreciate your patience and insist on your cooperation in keeping all our students safe when arriving at school, following bylaw rules and expectations.

PowerSchool Reporting/Summary Reports

Edmonton Catholic Schools provides summary reports which will be available at the end of January and June.

You will need to have established a ‘PowerSchool’ account. Most parents already have an account and they are easy to set up. Through PowerSchool you can monitor your child’s attendance, pay school fees and carry out a host of school-related functions. To set up an account please use a computer website and not the App.

Instructions - Logging In To PowerSchool For First Time - Click [HERE](#) PowerSchool Log In – Parents - Click [HERE](#)

Recess Expectations

Good health is necessary for effective and optimal learning. Recess is important in that it is a vital time for socialization, exercise, the opportunity to eat a snack/drink a beverage, and to recharge mentally. If your child has come to school, it is expected that they participate in recess breaks. Parents are asked to keep in mind the following guidelines, when deciding whether to send their child to school.

- All students are expected to go out for recess. Students must come to school dressed appropriately for the Canadian outdoors.
- Recesses will always be outdoors unless inclement weather conditions are in place, at which point we follow the respective inclement weather guidelines.
- Students who become ill during the day are to inform their teacher directly. Our practice is to call parents and ask them to pick the student up or give the student permission to go home.
- Please be reminded that if a student is too sick to go outside, they are too sick to attend school and should be at home resting to prevent the spread of germs as per direction from AHS.

PowerSchool Fees and Fieldtrip Payments

St. John Bosco is entirely cashless for payments. To see a listing of all school fees please go online to the Parent Portal at <https://powerschool.ecsd.net/public/>. There on the left side bar you will see a complete listing of all fees.

When a field trip comes up for your child, you will receive a Fieldtrip Form from the homeroom teacher that must be returned signed by the legal parent/guardian. At the same time, you will be required to pay the cost of the fieldtrip online.

For Online Payment Instructions – See our school website or [Press Here](#)

Parent Advisory Council

Our PAC is made up of wonderful volunteers who meet about once a month with the school administrators to discuss school related matters and plan activities. We have a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Casino coordinator and Members at Large as well as classroom representatives. We need Christmas hamper volunteers, organizers for our Family Dance in May, classroom volunteers and more. Please help your child out by becoming involved with this group. We'll be hosting an in-person Annual General Meeting on Sept. 17. 6-7 pm.

School Pictures

Our Picture Day is booked for Friday, October. 16 and all our students will participate. More info will be coming closer to the date. We'll have retakes offered November 4.

Meet the Staff

We will be hosting a presentation on September 17, 2026 to introduce our staff to all our parents and guardians starting at 6:00 pm in the gym. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher (s) following the presentation and sign up for volunteer roles with our Parent Advisory Council, events and special activities. This is also the time you will be able to see your child's classroom! Please note, children won't be able to attend this event due to Fire restriction capacity in the gym.

Updated information regarding Student and Parent Conduct

- Our Gr. 1-6 Agenda books were printed before this update mandated by Alberta Education:
- Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that safeguards and contributes to a safe and caring environment that fosters and maintains respectful and responsible behaviors. Every individual plays a vital role in respecting diversity and fosters a sense of welcome and belonging for all members of the school community.
- **Students will:** *Refrain from engaging in violence of any kind at school and during school-related activities.*
- *Assist in the prevention of violence without putting the student's own safety or well-being at risk, by co-operating with school staff and supporting intervention efforts. Students are encouraged to report incidents of concern to school staff.*
- Parents are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that supports a safe and caring learning environment through respectful and welcoming behavior within the school community.

Transportation

Our Transportation department has been working through the summer to get our student pick-up and drop-off times set for your children. In addition, bus drivers will create seating plans that your children will be asked to follow. You must have an active PowerSchool Account to find out your child's pickup and drop off times. Messaging about delayed buses will be accessed through the BusPlanner Delays App. (Download on your device and select all your child's bus runs)

2026-2027 Student Transportation Fee Schedule:

1. Kindergarten to Grade 12 students taking ETS: \$60 per month
2. Kindergarten to Grade 12 students taking the yellow bus: \$70 per month
3. Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 students who access inclusive curb services: \$0 per month
4. Please contact Transportation Services at 780-441-6078 or visit ecsd.net/transportation for more information.

Eligibility: Effective September 2025, the transportation eligibility distance criteria for students in grades K through 6 will be 1.6 km instead of 1.0 km from their designated school. The requirements for students in grades 7 to 12 will remain unchanged at 2 km.

Bus Passes: Starting in September 2025, students will no longer be required to have a yellow bus pass. Students are listed on the student listing report for their respective routes, which yellow bus carriers and schools can access for weekly route changes.

Lunch and Snacks

Send your child healthy snacks and lunches and a labeled water bottle. Please include cutlery for your children as we will not be providing them at the school. Sign up for our HealthyHunger.ca hot lunch days in advance. Birthday treats – fruit and small cupcakes are welcome – let the teacher know if you are bringing treats for your child's birthday so they can plan. (This is not the venue for your Birthday party)

If you fail to order your lunch through HealthyHunger.ca, we do not want you ordering food and having it delivered. Send a normal lunch with your child, and next time order through the program. Kindergarten won't be ordering lunch through HealthyHunger.ca, please ignore those reminders.

Which Class is My Child In?

Students have been placed into classes based on many different factors. **Please do not contact the school to make a specific change or to request a certain teacher.** You are able to access your PowerSchool account to see which homeroom your child has been assigned starting at 3:30 on Monday, Aug. 31. You will need this information for school start up on Sept. 2.

If you do not have a PowerSchool account, you need to contact the office to obtain that information. If you need to add a child to an existing account, you are able to do that from your own account. Call 780-471-3140

Our office is closed for meetings on Tuesday, Sept. 1 all day.

Google Classroom

All our teachers will maintain a Google classroom. This is to ensure that learning is ongoing for students who may be absent for longer periods of time. Parents will be expected to refer their children to their google classroom to retrieve and complete assigned work if a child has an extended absence. Click for a [Parents Guide to Google Classroom](#)

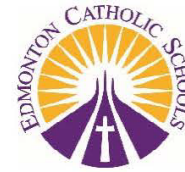
Entry for Students

All Grade 1-6 Students begin on Wednesday, Sept. 2. Our bell schedule is 8:05 for 1st bell. Students need to come to their designated doors that are indicated on the attached map on the last page of this document. On the first day of school, students will gather in the back field and find their teacher, joining their line with their supplies and everything they need for the day. Parents will wave them off and wish them a great first day. This is only on Sept. 2. Thereafter, students will line up at their designated doors.

Construction update: Our attached portable arrived on Wed. Aug. 19 quite late due to weather conditions. We have crews working tirelessly to get this building attached and wired and the groundwork completed. We are in the process of getting new sidewalks and ground grooming and are hoping things are in place by the 3rd week of Sept. Our Grade 6B student will be setting up class in our Work Room beside the office as a temporary classroom. As soon as we are given clearance, they will move to the new portable. 6B's will enter and exit through the staff entrance on the East side. We appreciate everyone's support and understanding for the initial disruptions this has caused. Please remind your child to walk safely by the construction areas.



ECSD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2026-2027



July 2026							August 2026							September 2026						
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- Non instructional Days
- Non-Operational Days
- Cancellation of early dismissal
- Early Dismissal
- Statutory Holiday - Office/School Closed
- Named Holiday - Office/School Closed

First Day of Operation
August 31, 2026
 First Day of Instruction
September 2, 2026
 Last Day of Instruction
June 28, 2027
 Last Day of Operation
June 29, 2027

Labour Day	Sept 7
Truth & Reconciliation Day	Sept 30
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 12
Election Day	Oct 19
Remembrance Day Wknd	Nov 11-13
Christmas Vacation	Dec 21 to Jan 1
Family Day	Feb 15
Faith Development Day/PD	Feb 24
Teachers' Convention	Feb 25- 26
Professional Development Day	Mar 25
Spring Break	Mar 26 to Apr 2
Good Friday	Mar 26
Easter Monday	Mar 29
Victoria Day Wknd	May 20-24

MONTH	Operational Days	Instructional Days
August	1	0
September	20	19
October	20	20
November	18	18
December	14	14
January	20	20
February	19	16
March	19	18
April	20	20
May	18	18
June	21	20
Total	190	183

Draft CELEBRATIONS TIMELINE 2026-2027

Celebrations at the school. Please check your Weekly News for updated date/time.

GRADE 4 BIBLE CELEBRATION

St. John Bosco School	September 23, 2026	11:00 am	Gym
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THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION –

St. John Bosco School	October 9, 2026	9:30 am	Gym
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Pre Advent CELEBRATION and Wreath blessing –

St. John Bosco School	Nov. 27, 2026	9:30 am	Gym
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EPIPHANY CELEBRATION –

St. John Bosco School	Jan. 8, 2027	9:30 am	Gym
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St. John Bosco FEAST DAY –

St. John Bosco School	Jan. 29, 2027	1:00 pm	Gym
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ASH WEDNESDAY CELEBRATION –

St. John Bosco School	Feb. 10 2027	9:30 am	Gym
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LENTEN RECONCILIATION – Father Michael, Father Julian, Father Glenn , Father _____

St. John Bosco School	March 10, 2027	9:30 am	Gym
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EASTER CELEBRATION –

St. John Bosco School	April 9, 2027	9:30 am	Gym
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YEAREND FAREWELL –

St. John Bosco School	June 28, 2027	10:30 am	Gym
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**Alberta Health
Services**

Kindergarten Immunization

Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis and Polio Booster Second dose Measles, Mumps, Rubella and Varicella Vaccine

Immunizations protect your child from serious childhood diseases. Diseases spread more easily when children are together in a group. Ensure your child is protected from vaccine preventable diseases by having his/her immunizations up to date. Kindergarten immunizations are given at the Public Health Centres.

After their 4th birthday most children should have:

- A booster dose of DTaP-IPV (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and polio) vaccine
- 2 completed doses of MMR-Var (measles, mumps, rubella and varicella) vaccine

If immunization is needed, call your local Public Health Centre for an appointment.

If you have any questions, please call:

- Health Link Alberta at 811.
- Northgate School Team at 780-342-2775

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Hannay
Room 396P

ENTRY DOOR
5D

**MUSTER
POINT
2**

Evacuation
Pick Up Zone



Crisis Map - Legend	
	AED
	First Aid Kit
	Fire Extinguisher
	Fire Pull Station
	Crisis Bag

St. John Bosco School - "2026-2027 Key Dates" Parent Version

August

- 26-28 Office Open 9-2

September

- 1 Office is closed today.
- 2 First Day of Classes for All Gr. 1-6 Students. Bussing for Grades 1-6. 2, 4, 8, 9 Staggered Entry for Kindergarten - There will be 2 "rounds" of staggered entry. Wed, Fri & Tue. Wed.
- 7 **Labour Day No School**
- 11 Kindergarten starts today Bussing for Kindergarten Starts today.
- 17 **Opening Celebration 9:30, Meet the Staff presentation 6 pm PAC**
 - **School Council AGM Meeting at 6pm**
 - Elections/Sign up Volunteers.**
- 18 Terry Fox Run today 2:15
- 22 Cross Country Run today 2:00 depart.
- 23 Bible Celebration for Gr. 4 students 11:00 am Gr. 6 Immunization Presentation 1:37-2:10 in gym
- 24 Blanket Exercise for teaching and MDT staff. 12:30-3:00 booked with Donita Large
- 29 Orange Shirt Celebration 9:30
- 30 **Federal Holiday – Truth and Reconciliation Day - No School**

October

- 5-9 Read in Week "Let Stories Soar"
- 9 **Thanksgiving Celebration with Father 10:30**
- 12 **Thanksgiving Monday-No School**
- 16 Picture with Edge photography
- 19 No School today due to Election
- 20 PAC 6pm
- 23 **St. John Bosco Spirit Wear Day**
- 29 School PD Day - No School for students
- 30 Halloween Morning parade with costumes

November

- 2-6 Veteran's Week
- 4 Picture Retakes with Barb Fraser
- 9 Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:30
- 11-15 **Fall Break - No School**
- 16-20 **Scholastic Book Fair Days**
- 18 Grade 6 Immunization booked All Day
- 19 Term 1 Demonstration of Learning 1:00-4:30, 5:30-8:00 Book Fair Kindergarten 9:30-11:00 Book Fair
- 24 PAC 6 pm
- 27 **Pre-Advent Celebration and Blessing of the Wreaths 9:30 am**
- 30 **Advent Celebration over announcements 1st Advent Candle**

December

- 4 Terrific Kids Hospitality Gratitude Peace
- 7 2nd. Pink Advent Candle Celebration over announcements
- 10 Hamper Pickup am. Staff Luncheon
- 14 3rd. Advent Celebration over announcements.
- 15 **Kindergarten In school FT. Puppet show.**
- 17 Full Day - Movie in the morning for Gr. 1-6, Kindergarten in classrooms.
- 18 Half Day. Advent Celebration followed by some Christmas Carols.
- 19- Jan. 3 **Christmas Break**

January

- 4 First Day Back for Students
- 8 **Epiphany Celebration 11:00 am**

- 12 PAC 6 pm
- 20 Ski Trip booked
- 29 Alberta Musical Theatre Company Booked Rumpelstiltskin 9:30 am
Feast Day Celebration 11:00 am
- 31 Actual Feast Day of St. John Bosco

• February

- Intention Process for indicating your school for the following year.
- 4 Early Learning Open House @ 6pm Thursday
- 9 Shrove Tuesday
- 10 Ash Wednesday/Lent Begins Celebration 9:30 am
- 11 St. Nick's Soccer tournament (Grade 4/5 Co-Ed team)
- 12 Kindergarten Fieldtrip to Telus World of Science am
- 8-12 Random Acts of Kindness Week
- 15 Family Day – No School
- 16 PAC 6 pm
- 16-19 Gymnastics/Mission Impossible in the gym
- 19 Kindergarten Here full day (Friday)
- Feb. 22-23 Jump Rope
- Feb. 24 Division faith day
- Feb. 25-26 Teacher Convention

March

- 15-19 Scholastic Book Fair Preview Days
- 18 Demonstration of Learning 1:00-4:30, 5:30-8:00 Book Fair Kindergarten 9:30-11:00
- 10 Lenten Reconciliation grades 3-6 starting at 9:30 am Lent ends March 25
- 17 St. Patrick's Day. Potato luncheon for staff
- 19 Terrific Kids Charity Courage Love
- 24 Full Day – Kindergarten Here normal schedule
- 25 Division wide common Professional Development Day No School. Holy Thursday
- 26 Good Friday
- 29 Easter Monday
- March 26- April 4 Spring Break

April

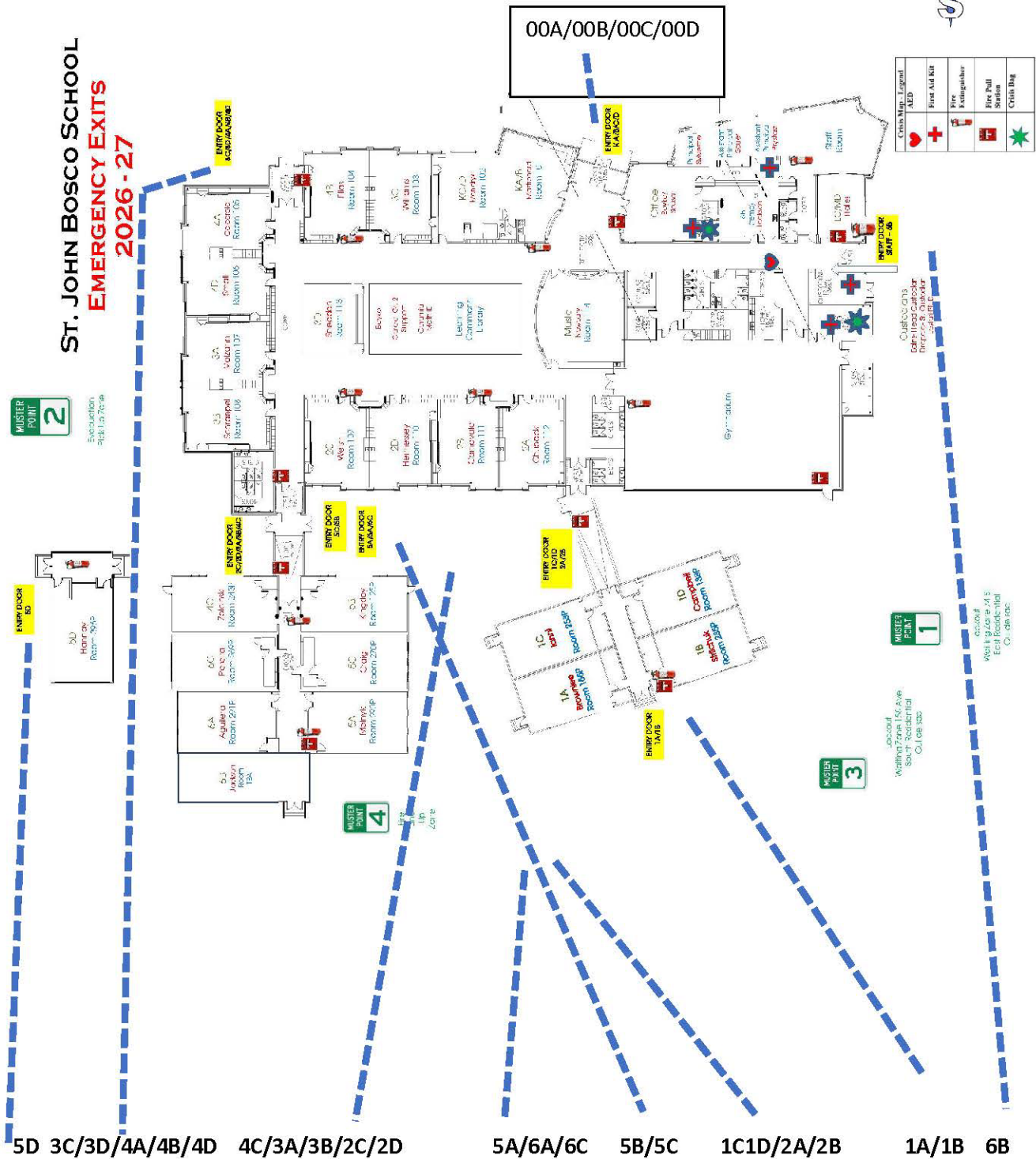
- 5 School resumes
- 9 Easter Celebration 10:30
- 13 PAC 6 pm
- 21 Administration Support appreciation day
- 22 School PD Day
- 23 Gym set up for Concert rehearsal
- 27-28 Spring Concerts

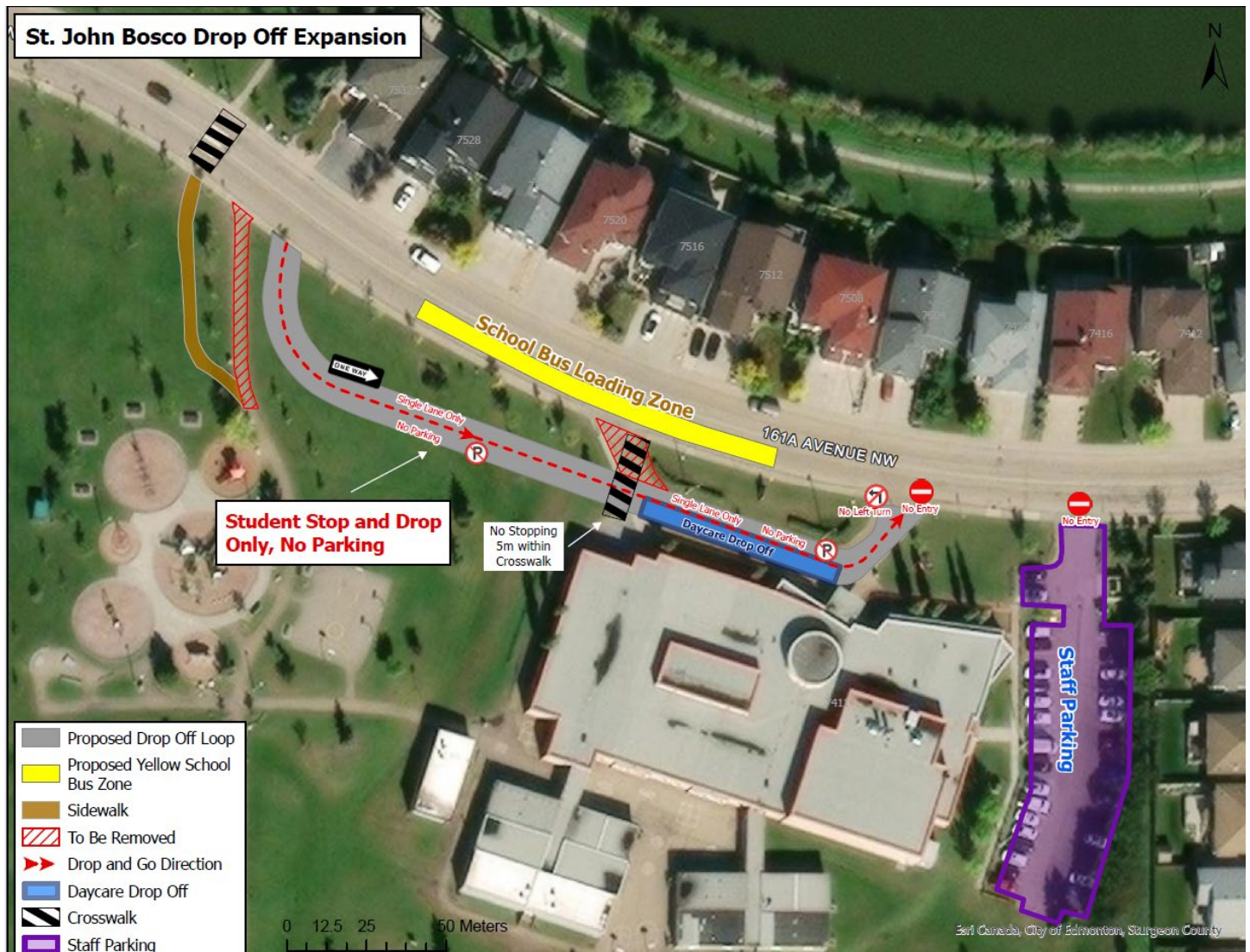
May

- 3-31 Month of Mary
- 4 Bus driver appreciation day
- 5 Camp Warawa Day Trip Grade 6's (Booked May 6, 2026)
- 6 Floor Hockey Tournament @ St. St. John Bosco
- 9 Mother's Day
- 13 Kindergarten New Student Orientation Day.
- 14 Family Dance stage Kindergarten full day (Friday) at Prairie Gardens
- 18 PAC Executive Dinner
- 19 Immunization Date for Gr. 6's All day
- 20-24 Victoria Day Weekend No School
- 20 Last Day for Library
- 28 All Library books due

June

- All IPPs Signed Off by Parents and teachers. Finalized by Admin
- 2 PAT Gr. 6 ELA Part A 9:00-11:00 am,
- 4 ELA Part B PAT 9-10
- 7 Terrific Kids Forgiveness Justice Compassion Faithfulness
- 10 Social Studies PAT 9-10
- 11 Science PAT 9-10
- 11 Family Picnic lunch
- 14 Math Part A PAT 9-9:20
- 16 Math Part B PAT 9-10:10
- 17 Year End Staff Luncheon
- 20 Father's Day
- 21 Fun Day at school Kindergarten – Gr. 6
- 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
- 25 Celebration for Gr. 6 Farewell 1:30
- 28 Last Day for All Students Kinder last day – Regular Morning and Regular Afternoon Year End Celebration 10:30
- 29 Tuesday: Staff Only Full Day Getting classes ready for summer cleaning





Please note that you are not allowed to park in front of resident driveways and there are areas that are marked as Handicap that are for vehicles with the appropriate licensing.

Parking, Drop Off and Pick up continue to be a concern to the community, school and the safety of our students.

In the layby, it's a quick drop and pickup area. Vehicles must not be left unattended. If the Layby entrance is blocked, it means you go past and circle around the neighborhood so you are not blocking traffic on 161A Ave. There are no U-Turns allowed on this road.

The Layby is one way only and you must turn right when exiting. Picking up and dropping off is only allowed on the curbside, not the grass side.

Please share this information with your family members who may be picking up or dropping children off. Make arrangements for your child to meet you at the agreed area and have them prepared to wait if traffic is high. Grade 1 and Kindergarten students need to be met at their door promptly at dismissal, which means those parents who drive, need to find a place in the community to safely park.

We consistently get calls and emails from concerned homeowners of disrespectful drivers illegally parking, blocking driveways or hindering the traffic flow around the school community. Please respect the rules and etiquette for the safety of those around us.

We have 6 large busses that need access to the road allowance in front of the school and students will be crossing the layby at the cross walk. Please pay close attention to those crossing.