

## NOVEMBER & DECEMBER CALENDAR

Nov 25: **SAA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**, 12:00-3:00pm, SAA School and Gym

Nov 25: SAA Clothing Store will be open during the Bazaar from 12-3:00pm.

Nov 27: Science Club @ 12noon (for registered students)

Nov 27: Gr 6/7 Mandatory Ski Trip Parent Meeting (6:30-7:00PM in the Cafeteria)

Nov 27: Parents meeting for Italy 2019 Trip 7pm SAA (for interested students in grades 9, 10 & 11)

Nov 29: **EARLY DISMISSAL** (Elem 12 noon/ HS 12:30pm- Buses Depart @ 12:45)

Dec 1: SAA Store will be open from 2-3:00pm

Dec 7/8: Grad Photos

Dec 7: Science Club @ 12 noon for registered students

Dec 22: Last Day of school before Christmas Holidays- Noon Dismissal (all students dismissed @ 12pm; busses to leave at 12:15pm)

## K-12 NEWS

### **St. Ann's Annual Christmas Bazaar and Family Fun Day – November 25<sup>th</sup> 12-3pm**

#### **1 MORE DAY.....**

**This is it...the Bazaar is almost upon us & we're excited!!!!**

**Some last minute items that are needed:**

**Baking, baking & more baking!! For the cake walk & tea room**

- We are asking that parents whose children are in Kindergarten to Grade 6 bring cakes for the cake walk
- Parents whose children are in Grade 7 to 9 bring goodies for the Tea Room
- Any baking that is brought in will equal **1 PPP hour** for purchased items & **2 PPP hours** for homemade items. Please make sure the items are clearly marked
- Baking can be brought in Saturday morning from 9am forward.

**We could also use some more volunteers for Saturday at the games and activities from 11:30am to 3pm. If you are able to help please let us know!!!!!!!!!!**

**The baskets are looking amazing; you don't want to miss the chance to win these awesome gift baskets!!!**

If you can help please contact Joel at [\(250\) 374-8038](tel:250-374-8038) or [jloehr2003@yahoo.ca](mailto:jloehr2003@yahoo.ca). Thank you to all who have stepped forward to help!!

**See you tomorrow for fun, games, crafts and food!!!!!!**

## DRESS DOWN DAY FOR CHARITY – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

The next Dress Down Day for Charity (*Grades Kindergarten to Grade 9*) will take place on **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>** in support of **Make a Wish Foundation**. Students are invited to bring in a loonie or a toonie in support of this charity and wear **Christmas Sweaters or shirts** instead of their regular school uniform.

### TANZANIA MISSION TRIP 2019

The next group is up and running, with plans of installing another water system in a village in 2019. If you would like to help these students from St. Ann's with their fundraising, here is a great idea that will help with your Christmas shopping:

#### 1.) Purdy's Chocolates

Click on the link below and you can order any item that is available in the store-front. 25% of the purchase price is profit for the mission. Last day to place your order!  
(Deadline: November 24th) [www.purdysgpp.com/672993](http://www.purdysgpp.com/672993)

### NET TEAM HOST FAMILIES

The grade 7-12 students will be having NET retreats this year. We are in search of families who are willing to host a minimum of two NET team members from November 27th-December 9th.

Hosting involves providing a room for the team members, as well as dinners and breakfasts. Lunches on weekdays will be provided by the school. Because several of the team members are 18 years old, we are particularly looking for families where the host parents are willing to have or already have criminal record checks with the school. If you are interested in hosting, please contact:

Mrs. Bruneau @ [alicia.bruneau@st-anns.ca](mailto:alicia.bruneau@st-anns.ca)

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

### ELEMENTARY VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

Congratulations to the Tier 1 Girls, Tier 2 Girls, and Tier 2 Boys (and their coaches Mrs. Pearce and Mrs. Hanlon, and volunteer parent helper Mrs. Dabrowski) on a fantastic volleyball season. Although the teams did not advance to District Championships, they should be very proud of how well they played all season long. Good Luck to the Tier 1 Boys Volleyball team who will be playing in the District Championships at Brock on November 30. **All volleyball Players are asked to please return washed jerseys to their coaches by Wednesday, November 29 as per the Athletic Contract** (except for the Tier 1 Boys team who will playing in the District Championships next week). Thank you.

Monday, Nov. 27	Thursday, Nov. 30
Tier 1 Boys Practice (3:00-4:00 PM)	Tier 1 Boys Semi-Final Game @ Brock 3:30pm <b><i>If team wins, will play again at 5:30 pm in District Championship</i></b>

### ELEMENTARY VOLLEYBALL TEAM PARTY:

On **Monday, December 4**, there will be a volleyball team party held in the gym for all teams (Tier 1 Boys & Girls, Tier 2 Boys & Girls, and Tier 3 Boys & Girls) from **3:00-4:30 PM**. Volleyball games will take place in the gym from 3:00 to 4:00 and pizza and drinks will be supplied from 4:00 to 4:30 PM in the cafeteria for all players. Thanks to the volleyball coaches for organizing the food and games for this wrap-up volleyball event – hope all the players can make it!

### **ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL NEWS**

For those students in **Grades 4 to 7** who are interested in joining extracurricular basketball at SAA, BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS will take place during the month of December in the gym from **3:00-4:00 PM**:

- Monday, December 18 - **Boys (Grades 4-7)**
- Tuesday, December 19 - **Girls (Grades 4-7)**
- Wednesday, December 20 – **Boys (Grades 4-7)**
- Thursday, December 21- **Girls (Grades 4-7)**

Students are asked to please let Mrs. Leggett know if they are unable to attend the basketball evaluations. Parents can contact Mrs. Leggett directly at [joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca](mailto:joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca). Students will not be placed on teams if they fail to attend the evaluations and do not notify Mrs. Leggett ahead of time.

Games will begin the second week of January. Game days are as follows;

Tier 1 and Tier 2 Boys – play on Tuesdays

Tier 3 Boys and Girls – play on Wednesdays

Tier 1 and Tier 2 Girls – play on Thursdays

### **THE STAR MOVIE**

The elementary division is looking into the possibility of a school booking for our students to go and see *The Star* movie which is currently playing in theatres. *The Star* is a sweet nativity story told from the animals' perspectives and is rated G for General. We are waiting to hear back from both local theatres about a possible booking. The cost per student for the movie will be communicated to parents at a later date, but we wanted to let our families know that we are pursuing this option in case you wish to wait for your child to see the movie until the school attends the showing.

### **MANDATORY PARENT MEETING – GRADE 6 & 7 PARENTS**

There is a **mandatory parent meeting** for all parents of students in Grades 6 & 7 on **Monday, November 27 at 6:30 PM** to discuss the upcoming ski/snowboard trip to Harper Mountain. The meeting will take place in the High School Cafeteria. Parent attendance is required at this meeting as the following important topics will be discussed: safety protocol, behavior expectations, appropriate clothing (helmets are mandatory), cost of the trip and ski/snowboard safety rules. The meeting should last for approximately thirty minutes. The Grade 6 & 7 ski/snowboard trip is scheduled to take place on **Thursday, January 11 and Friday, January 12, 2018** at Harper Mountain, and parents are encouraged to join us! If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact Mrs. Leggett at [joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca](mailto:joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca)

### **SKATING REMINDERS**

Each grade will be skating multiple times as part of the Elementary Physical Education program at St. Ann's Academy.

**Students must wear a properly-fitted helmet and gloves/mittens at all times while skating.** Skates must be transported to and from the rink in a safe manner. **Skates must be covered by a skate guard or be carried in a cloth bag** to protect students from being cut by the sharp blades.

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or if your child needs to borrow some skates from the school.

## ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

St. Ann's Academy Elementary Christmas Concert will take place on **Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**. There will be two performances this year: **1:00 PM** (time has been moved earlier, from 1:30 to 1:00 PM) and **6:30 PM**. Family members are encouraged to attend the afternoon performance if possible as our evening performance is often packed to capacity. Thank you.

It is very important that all students participate in both concerts as each student is crucial to the overall success of the concert. Their classmates and teachers count on the participation of all students! Please note that doors to the gymnasium will open **thirty minutes prior** to each performance.

Students are asked to report to their classroom no earlier than 6:00 pm for the evening concert (supervision will be available beginning at 6:00 pm).

We know that this is a very busy time for all families. We truly appreciate your support of your child and the school. It is really important for students to return to school to perform in the evening concert at 6:30 pm.

### Best Concert Dress

Mrs. Mahoney, our elementary Music teacher, requests that all students come in their best concert dress unless they are one of the actors in the musical. Costumes will be provided to the actors.

Please note that students are asked to wear "**Best Concert Dress**" which refers to the following:

- **Blue jeans are not permitted**
- Dresses must be knee-length
- **Refrain** from wearing make-up, large pieces of jewelry or high heels
- Small stud earrings are permitted

On Thursday, December 14, students should come to school in their 'Best Concert Dress' for the Christmas Concert as the afternoon performance begins at 1:30 PM. *Students do not have to wear regular school uniform on December 14<sup>th</sup>.*

The Grade 7 Band will be playing during the afternoon performance while the Rising Stars Choir will be singing at the evening performance on Thursday, December 14. Band students and Rising Stars members wear the same formal dress as everyone else. Rising Stars **do not wear** their Rising Stars t-shirts.

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

### HS BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The High School Boys Volleyball team is playing this weekend at TCC & TRU. The team won their 1<sup>st</sup> match today, lost their 2<sup>nd</sup> match, their 3<sup>rd</sup> match started at 3pm today. Go Crusaders Go!

## MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

Information session for students interested in attending The University of Calgary at Hotel 540 this Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Please click on the link below for more information.

<https://choose.ucalgary.ca/events/eventRegistration.do?eventRegistrationAction=registration&stringEventID=MTU2>

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### 2018 KVA PACK YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CLUB TRYOUTS – GRADES 6-12

Club volleyball compliments Volleyball Canada and Volleyball BC competition programming. Club volleyball is a highly organized, provincial and national competitive volleyball network designed to provide training and playing opportunities for young pre-college athletes, both male and female outside the regular high school season.

December Tryout Information: KVA PACK Volleyball Club Tryouts Information and Registration for each gender and age grouping can be found at the Kamloops Volleyball Association

Website: <http://www.kamvolleyball.ca/youth.h>

### SAINT JOHN VIANNEY CWL

Saint John Vianney CWL is hosting a Paint night fundraiser on Tue. Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Please click on the link below to buy your tickets. [https://www.paintnite.com/events/\\_10018999](https://www.paintnite.com/events/_10018999)

## MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

The Canadian Mental Health Association has created a program called Bounce Back to help youth (and adults) bounce back from low mood, stress and anxiety. This free self-help program, by doctor referral, incorporates video, skill-building workbooks and telephone coaching. For more info, talk to your doctor, visit [www.bouncebackbc.ca](http://www.bouncebackbc.ca) (access code bbtodaybc) or call [1-866-639-0522](tel:1-866-639-0522)

### MIDNIGHT & MASKS

New Year's Eve Masquerade at OLPH Parish Centre Dec 31/2017. Event begins @ 6pm with Cocktails followed by Dinner & Dance @ 7pm. Ticket prices are \$50/ adult, \$25/ child or \$140/ family (2 adults, 2 children- \$15 each additional child). Menu & Details located on Facebook: OLPH School Kamloops.

Tickets available at OLPH School T: [250-376-2343](tel:250-376-2343) OR contact Maria Cuglietta @ [778-220-1770](tel:778-220-1770)

### OLPH COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & TEA

On Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 11am to 2pm OLPH is hosting their Country Christmas Bazaar & Tea. Full of wonderful Baking, Crafts, Bottle table, Granny's Attic, Knitting & Sewing, Jewelry & more! Come out and bring a friend for tea in our Tea Room! Address: OLPH Parish Hall, [635 Tranquille Road](http://www.olph.ca/635-Tranquille-Road), N. Kamloops.