

# JANUARY CALENDAR

Jan 11/12: Gr 6/7 Ski Trip to Harper Mountain  
Jan 12: Crusader Wear Day  
Jan 15: HS PLC  
Jan 16: **Mass HS/ ELEM 8:45am SAA Gym**  
Jan 18: Pizza Day  
Jan 18: Grade 7 Parents Confirmation Meeting 6:15pm @ SAA (grade 7 classroom)  
Jan 19: Dress Down Day  
Jan 19: SAA Clothing Store Open  
Jan 22: HS PLC  
Jan 23: School Council Meeting 6pm  
Jan 24: Elem Smoothie Day (for registered students)  
Jan 25 & 26: Grad Photo Re-takes  
Jan 25: Elem PLC  
Jan 25: Reconciliation for 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Candidates (6:30pm SHC)  
Jan 29: HS PLC  
Jan 31: **Early Dismissal Elem 12:00/ HS 12:30pm Buses depart @ 12:45pm**

## K-12 NEWS

### **Parking Lot Protocols:**

Parking at SAA can be a challenge for 15 minutes in the morning before school and in the afternoon when school dismisses. Undoubtedly we all have experienced frustrations and anxiety in the SAA parking lot - especially during the winter season. With the addition of over 20 parking stalls two years ago, the level of anxiety and frustration has certainly lessened but we must all recognize that delays will occur.

The overriding goal we all share is to have our students dropped off and picked up in a safe and orderly manner. Towards this end I ask that **those who use the drop off and pick up circle to please remain in their vehicles and not park in the circle.** Parking in the circle can cause unsafe situations that could potentially result in injury to our students. For those who must enter the school, please come a little earlier and find a parking spot elsewhere in the parking lot (there is always spots available at the west end of our parking lot - especially if you arrive before 8:15).

Together, using good planning, abiding by the SAA parking lot protocols and exercising good judgment, we can insure that our students arrive and depart from our school safely.

Sincerely, Shawn Chisholm

### **SAA TALENT SHOW**

The St. Ann's Academy Talent Show will take place on **Wednesday, March 14** (rescheduled from March 7). Students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 are invited to audition. Auditions take place at the end of February, but students may wish to start preparing now. We thank every student who will be auditioning for the Talent Show but due to our large student population, unfortunately, not all students who audition will be selected to perform at the Talent Show.

After the auditions are complete, students will be notified later in the week to let them know if they were successful in their audition. Students will then receive information regarding the Act (morning or afternoon) they will be performing in on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> during the Talent Show.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK – February 5 to February 9, 2018**  
**\*Request for Parent Volunteers\***

Catholic Schools Week is celebrated in Catholic Schools across the world. This year, our theme for Catholic Schools Week is “Care For Everyone In Our Common Home”, and we are planning some great activities to celebrate how wonderful it is to attend a Catholic School. Permission slips will be sent home with students on Friday, January 12.

We are asking parents to help cover supervision duty for our dedicated Teaching Staff during Catholic Schools Week as a sign of our appreciation for all they do. (Due to confidentiality reasons, we cannot have parents cover supervision for our CEAs but we will show our appreciation for them in another way during this week).

Parent Volunteers are needed to help with **outside supervision (Elementary) and indoor supervision (High School)** during the week of February 5 to February 9, 2018. Parents are able to earn **Parent Participation Hours** for their supervision help during Catholic Schools Week.

In Elementary, we hope parents will be able to cover supervision from **8:00 to 8:20 AM, 10:15 to 10:30 AM, 11:45 AM to 12:30 PM** and from **2:30 to 3:00 PM**. We require **two parents** for each of these time slots for each day. If you have a current Criminal Record Check on file at the school office and would like to help out, please contact Mrs. Leggett at [joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca](mailto:joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca).

In High School, we hope parents will be able to cover supervision from **8:00 AM to 8:20 AM** (one parent), **11:10 to 11:25 AM** (two parents) and **12:45 to 1:30 PM** (two parents). If you have a current Criminal Record Check on file at the school office and would like to help out, please contact Mrs. Evelyn Bennett at [evy.bennett@gmail.com](mailto:evy.bennett@gmail.com)

Parent Volunteers are also needed to help out with our **Elementary Winter Sports Day** that will be held outside during Catholic Schools Week on **Thursday, February 8, 2018**. Parents must have a current Criminal Record Check on file at the School Office. Please contact Joanne Leggett at [joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca](mailto:joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca) if you are able to help out by supervising at a station alongside a staff member.

Thanks in advance to our parent community for their support of Catholic Schools Week 2018!

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPERVISION**

Please be reminded that there is NO supervision provided for students before 8:00 am and after 3:00 pm. Please make arrangements to drop off and pick up your children between these hours. Students are allowed to be in the school for **supervised** sports activities, **supervised** clubs (homework, baking, etc.) and **supervised** events held outside of the regular schedule. Students are not to be wandering the school hallways after hours without adult supervision. Thank you for your attention to this request and for partnering with us to keep all students safe.

### **KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 8 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT**

SAA will be hosting Kindergarten and Grade 8 Parent Information events on Thursday, February 15 at 6:30 PM. The Kindergarten meeting takes place in the Kindergarten classroom while the Grade 8 meeting takes place in the high school study room. Please encourage friends and family who might be considering enrolling their child for Kindergarten or Grade 8 in September 2018 at St. Ann's Academy to attend these information sessions.

### **DRESS DOWN DAY FOR CHARITY**

The next Dress Down Day for Charity (*Grades Kindergarten to Grade 9*) will take place on **Friday, January 19, 2018** in support of **Royal Inland Hospital**. Students are invited to bring in a loonie or a toonie in support of this charity and wear **non-uniform free choice** instead of their regular school uniform. Students must adhere to our school dress code.

### **9TH ANNUAL HEAP THE HONDA EVENT!**

For the month of January, our school has been challenged by the Family Literacy Committee and Kamloops Honda to collect gently used and new board books & picture books to "Heap the Honda" (fill a Honda Ridgeline with books). These donated books will be sorted and distributed to local agencies throughout Kamloops to share with families. The hope is for every child to have good quality books at home to read and enjoy. Books will also be used to stock Kamloops Bright Red Bookshelves at key locations in the city and will be given to children at the Kamloops ABC Family Literacy Day in January.

Mrs. Sucro will have a bin in the library for students to drop off their donated books until **Wednesday, January 24th**. Please take some time over the Christmas break to go through books at home and find some that you no longer read or need and bring them to the library to Heap the Honda!!

### **SAPA & KAMLOOPS KITCHEN HACKS – PARENT EDUCATION SESSIONS**

These two to three hour sessions are packed with nutrition knowledge and practical implementation. Walk away from these sessions with a plan in place that works just for you! Space is limited to 8 people per session, book your spot soon! All sessions hosted at St Ann's Academy. SAPA is pleased to bring you these sessions at a 40% discount- only \$15 per person, per session. We will be having three sessions: Family Mealtimes, Meal Planning and Kitchen Hacks. Attend all three sessions for less \$45- these sessions will be put on by Danielle Sykes who is a Nutrition Educator (and one of our school's parents) with more than 15 years' experience. Check out <https://kamloopskitchenhacks.jimdo.com/> for more information.

Dates are as follows:

January 18 - 9am to 11:30am (family meal times); January 22 - 9am to 11:30am (meal planning); January 23 - 9am to 11:30am (kitchen hacks) and 6:30pm to 8:30pm (family meal times); January 30 - 6:30pm to 8:30pm (meal planning); February 6 - 6:30pm to 8:30pm (kitchen hacks)

Sign up ASAP before these sessions fill up by emailing Danielle at [Danielle.m.sykes@gmail.com](mailto:Danielle.m.sykes@gmail.com)

### **LEGACY PAVER FUNDRAISER**

Help us pave our way to a new Elementary playground! The Legacy Paver Fundraiser is well underway. If you would like to be a part of this fundraiser, see attachment for the order form which includes more details. You can also access the form on our website at:

<http://st-anns.ca/wp-content/uploads/SAA-Paver-Order-Form-fundraiser-for-new-playground.pdf>

Deadline to submit orders is: **February 1st 2018**

# ELEMENTARY NEWS

## ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL

Basketball coaches for the teams are as follows:

- Tier 1 Boys – Mr. Eichenberger
- Tier 2 Boys – Miss Santos
- Tier 3 Boys – Miss Spada & Miss Robillard (Sponsor teachers Mrs. Ferguson & Mrs. McCarthy)
- Tier 1 Girls – Mr. Pearce
- Tier 2 Girls – Mrs. Leggett
- Tier 3 Girls – Mrs. Broadway

Practices for next week are as follows:

Monday, January 15	Tuesday, January 16	Wednesday, Jan. 17	Thursday, January 18
Tier 1 Boys Practice (3:00 to 4:00 PM)	Tier 2 Boys Practice (3:00 to 4:00 PM)	Tier 3 Girls Practice (12:00-12:30 PM)	Tier 3 Boys Practice (7:30-8:15 AM)
Tier 1 Girls Practice (3:00-4:00 PM)		Tier 2 Boys Practice (3:00 to 4:00 PM)	Tier 1 Girls Practice (3:00-4:00 PM)
			Tier 2 Girls Practice (3:00 – 4:00 PM)

All League Games begin the week of January 23, 2018. Permission forms and Athletic Contracts have been sent home and are due back by January 22, 2018.. Please ensure to include the \$10 Athletic Fee when forms are returned to help cover busing costs.

### Game dates are as follows:

Tuesdays afterschool – Tier 1 Boys and Tier 2 Boys Game days  
Wednesdays afterschool – Tier 3 Boys and Tier 3 Girls Game days  
Thursdays afterschool – Tier 1 Girls and Tier 2 Girls Game days  
Games should end by 4:15 PM.

## CRAFT CLUB

In January, Mrs. Iwaskow and Mrs. DaSilva will be starting up a craft club for grades 1, 2 and 3 taking place once a week during lunch break. Some of the crafts they will be making are from recycled items. If you have, or can save any of the items listed it would be much appreciated. Please bring all items into the school; we will have a box set up in the elementary hallway for all donations.

- Buttons (all sizes & colors)
- Thread & Ribbon
- Old worn toques and gloves (even with holes)
- Ric-Rac
- Old Socks or Old Nylons
- Pom-poms

- White shoe laces
- Felt (various colors)
- Plastic cutlery
- Styrofoam (different shapes and sizes)
- Bottle tops (different sizes and colors)
- Washers & screws
- Marbles or Beads
- Elastic (waist band elastic)
- Velcro
- Clothes pegs
- Tissue or wrapping paper

### GRADE SEVEN PARENTS CONFIRMATION MEETING

Parents meeting for Grade 7 Students being Confirmed at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:15 in the Grade 7 classroom.

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

### MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

The Catholic Health Association of BC will be awarding two bursaries valued at \$250 each for two 2018 graduating students enrolled in Catholic secondary schools, or who are members of BC or Yukon parishes and enrolled in a public secondary school, or are home-schooled. Students are asked to submit a 500-word essay that demonstrates an awareness and understanding of the significance of **Spirituality in Health Care**. Submissions must be received on or before March 9, 2018. For further details, please refer to the poster on display in Student Services, download <https://www.chabc.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/CHABC-Bursary-for-2018-Graduates.pdf>, or check the CHABC website [www.chabc.bc.ca](http://www.chabc.bc.ca) under News and Events.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### 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 out consider attending the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraising Dinner & Dance on February 17, 2018. Cocktails at 6pm, Dinner at 7pm tickets are \$80 per person (with tax receipt for \$45). To purchase tickets please contact: Margaret or Kevin Langevin 250-573-2229, Kelly Tries 250-314-1429 or Anna & Lloyd Babcock 250-579-8888.

Come enjoy a fantastic evening have some great food and hear some inspirational stories...all for a wonderful cause!