

SAA Weekly: June 16

CALENDAR

Jun 19: High School PLC

Jun 20: Mass (8:45AM in the SAA gym) Mass Dress required

Jun 21: Grade 6 Waterslide Trip

Jun 22: SAA Store open from 2-3pm

Jun 22-26: High School Exams (Grade 8 students required to wear uniform during school exam period)

Jun 23: Kindergarten to grade 3 Wildlife Park Trip

Jun 27: Grade 7 Graduation (6:00PM in the SAA gym)

Jun 28: Last day of school! (Grade 8 students NOT required to wear uniform this day)

Elementary assembly at 8:45AM in the gym and dismissal at 10:30AM.

High School assembly at 11:00AM in the gym and dismissal at 12:30PM.

Report cards for elementary and high school students will be given out.

Bus run on last day – pick up at normal time in the morning; only one return run at 10:45 AM for

Elementary students (no second bus for High School students that day).

Sept 6: First Day of School for the 2017-2018 year (full day)

SCHOOL NEWS

Moving During the Summer?

If any of our families are moving throughout the summer, please provide the office with your new address so we will be able to send you your yearbook for next year. It is important that we have your most current contact information on file at the school office (email address, phone numbers, emergency contacts, mailing address, etc.). Thank you.

SPRING PHOTOS (Kindergarten to Grade 8)

In consultation with Lifetouch over the past couple days; they decided that due to the misinformation they provided us, the spring photo packages **will in fact be complimentary**. As such, any families who have returned the packages to the school will be given them back along with any payment that has been collected. If you paid for your package online, Lifetouch has informed us you should receive your reimbursement within 5 days.

YEARBOOK PHOTOS

The yearbook team is looking for photos of several events throughout the year. If you have any photos of the following events, please submit them to this link:

<http://www.hjshare.com/eShare/?code=StAnnsYearbook>

Photos needed for:

- grad
- grade 11 trip to the Lower Mainland
- high school music performances
- grade 7 Sunnybrae trip

Canteen

Just a friendly notice to let parents and students know we will no longer be loaning canteen cards for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Please ensure your student has a packed lunch or money to purchase a lunch at the canteen (elementary students are not able to use cash at the canteen) from now until the end of the school year. Thank-you!

Lost & Found

Reminder to please check the lost & found for your children's belongings before the end of the school year. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity on Friday, June 30.

Summer Office Hours

Our office will be open July 4th through to July 7th from 8:00am – 2:00pm (closed on July 3 due to Canada Day holiday). We will then be closed for summer break! The office will then re-open on August 21st.

HOMESTAY OPPORTUNITY

St. Ann's Academy is excited to welcome international students for the next school year. We are looking for dedicated families who will open up their homes for a cultural experience. Homestay families are required to supply a room, three meals a day, and a warm, welcoming environment. We have a variety of students from different countries and age groups looking for homes. Homestay families receive \$825 per month per student. For more information, please contact Mrs. Bernita Leahy at Bernita.leahy@st-anns.ca Thanks for your interest.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND MUSIC FEES FOR NEXT YEAR

In preparations for the 2017-2018 school year, PE and Music forms were sent home with your child on Monday, June 12. Forms and fees are due back to the school by **Thursday, June 22, 2017**. Cheques can be made payable to St. Ann's Academy. The forms will also be posted on our school website at <http://st-anns.ca/saa-weekly/>.

CANTEEN CARDS

Any students who have punches remaining on their Canteen Card at the end of this school year will have their cards stored at the main office and the punches will be transferred to the next school year. Canteen Cards should not be brought home unless all punches have been used.

Canteen cards will continue to be sold for \$30.00 next year which is good for ten lunches at the canteen (\$3.00 per lunch). This does not include a drink.

DRESS CODE REMINDER

It is wonderful that the warm weather has arrived. Please remember that, in accordance with SAA Elementary Dress Code, NO open toed-shoes, flip flops or open sandals are allowed for your child(ren)'s safety. Thank you for your cooperation.

ELEMENTARY YEAR-END ASSEMBLY

The final Elementary Assembly of the year will take place on Wednesday, June 28, 2017 in the school gym. The Assembly will begin with the presentation of Intermediate Awards at 8:45 AM during our Celebration of Excellence. The Intermediate Awards will recognize students in grades 4-7 for outstanding effort and achievement in certain areas.

At approximately 9:30 AM, Primary students will join the Assembly and be recognized in their own special way. The Assembly will end with our final slideshow of the year. Parents are invited to attend the Assembly. Elementary students will be dismissed for summer holidays at **10:30 AM** on Wednesday, June 28.

Message from Mr. Chisholm:

SAA Parking:

As we come close to the end of the school year I know many parents would agree with me that the expanded SAA parking lot has been a blessing for our community - especially during early dismissals.

That being said, there are some important reminders I would like to share with our community to ensure the safety of all of our parking lot users:

- Stopping and leaving your vehicle in the drop off circle or behind other parked cars is forbidden and presents an unnecessary safety risk for our students. With the visitor stalls remaining in front of the school and the new, additional parking stalls at the west end of the parking lot there is no need to park in the drop off zone or behind other parked vehicles. There is a safety issue as most vehicles back out of their spots and should not assume that a vehicle will be stopped or doing a drop off behind them.
- The south side of the upper parking lot is designated for staff parking – so please do not take a staff member’s spot – especially when there are often sufficient spaces allocated for our parent parking.
- Student parking is clearly marked at the west end of the lot and I ask that our parents not use these student-designated parking stalls, especially in the morning.
- Our new parking area has one-way traffic through this area with a loop at the far west end of our lot behind the upper field.
- Congestion leaving the school is still a reality as there is only one entry/exit point for the school. Much of the congestion is often caused when access to 3rd Ave. is difficult due to traffic volume. A solution to this problem that many of our parents are using is to take a right turn as they leave the school and then the first left turn to travel through the hospital. If you then make a right turn at the first stop sign you will be able to access Columbia St. via the roads at the bottom of the hill.
- While our expanded on-site parking has improved the traffic flow at SAA, I do anticipate continued challenges in the future. Therefore, I ask that all of our

parking lot users follow these practices and remain patient, understanding and civil when using the SAA parking lot.

Shawn Chisholm

SAA Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

CORPUS CHRISTI WEEKEND CELEBRATION: June 17–18 at Sacred Heart Cathedral
Our desire is to facilitate a weekend where families or individuals of all ages from the Diocese of Kamloops can come together and grow in their relationship with each other and with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

ARRIVAL TIME: 11:30 – 1:00 for check in at St. Ann's Academy

WHERE: Saturday at St. Ann's Academy 205 Columbia Street, Kamloops, and Sunday at Riverside Park at 100 Lorne Street, Sacred Heart Cathedral Church at 255 Nicola Street, and back to St. Ann's Academy.

ACTIVITIES: Guest speaker Sister John Mary Sullivan FSE, Dinner, adoration, confessions, square dancing and youth and children's activities centred on Our Lord in the Eucharist and the Blessed Sacrament. Breakfast on Sunday, Mass at the Park, Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Cathedral church and lunch at St. Ann's Academy.

Please register online at www.sacredheartkamloops.org, or www.rcdk.org or through the parish office: 250-372-2581

VACATION BIBLE SPORTS CAMP

Dates: July 10-14 & 17-21

Where: SAA

Cost: \$50 (morning only), \$75 (afternoon only), \$125 (all day)

Registration form can be found on our website at <http://st-anns.ca/wp-content/uploads/Participant-Registration-Form-2017.pdf>

JUNE IS NATIONAL INTERNET SAFETY MONTH!

Did you know June is Internet Safety Month? This is a great time to brush up on current safety trends and practices. Visit the following website for more information: www.staysafeonline.org

MERIDIAN SUMMER CAMPS

Looking for a camp for your child this summer? Meridian Summer Camps offers numerous options with regard to date and ages. These camps are for children ages 3-12 years old. For more information, check out their website at www.meridianrehab.ca

ROYAL BC MUSEUM: free admission

Will you be visiting The Royal BC Museum this summer? If so, stop by the school office for a coupon for a free youth admission.

**One free youth admission (ages 6 – 18) with the purchase of an adult admission. One youth per paid adult. This coupon must be presented at time of purchase. Not valid for IMAX. Not valid with any other*

offer. Not valid for family admission or membership. Expires September 4, 2017.

Community Presentation

Youth & Substance Use Harm Reduction Awareness Evening: Tuesday, June 27th @ Henry Grube Education Centre. Free event for parents and youth, free snacks, resources and giveaways! Presentations from 6-8pm by the Phoenix Centre, RCMP, School District 73, Interior Chemical Dependency Office, C&C Resources for Life, Child & Youth Mental Health and Tk'emlups te Secwepemc.

Free bus service to this event is also available; we will print a form that you can present to a city transit bus driver for a free ride to and from the Henry Grube Centre. These forms will be available in the office.