

MARCH CALENDAR

Mar 12: Elementary Lenten Retreat, 8:45am, SAA Gym
Mar 12: Grad Transitions Presentations 1:30-2:30pm, SAA gym
Mar 12: High School PLC Meetings
Mar 13: Science Fair (Grades 5, 8 & 9) - see details below
Mar 13: Elementary Baking Club (3:00-4:00pm for those registered)
Mar 13: SAPA Meeting 6:30pm (Meeting Room)
Mar 13: School Council Meeting 6:00 pm (HS Study)
Mar 14: Talent Show (High School & Elementary) – see details below
Mar 14: **No Canteen for Elementary** (due to Talent Show)
Mar 14: Elem Smoothie Day for those who pre-ordered
Mar 14: Elementary Art Club (3:00-4:00pm for those registered)
Mar 15: Elem PLC Meetings
Mar 16: Report Cards for HS & Elementary students sent home
Mar 16: Last Day of School before Spring Break (full day)
Mar 16: **School Mass (K-12), 8:45 AM SAA Gym**. Mass Dress not required (Green Day).
Mar 16: Non-uniform day (Green Day; no donation required)
Mar 19-30: Spring Break
Apr 2: Easter Monday (no school)
Tuesday, April 3: School Re-opens after Spring Break

K-12 NEWS

SAPA SPRING RAFFLE FUNDRAISER – WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Thank you to everyone who supported the SAPA Spring Raffle. The raffle draw took place at the Elementary Assembly today. Congratulations to our SAPA Spring Raffle Winners:

- *The Sparkling Hill Get Away - Sandra Henderson
- *Vancouver Canucks Weekend Package - Lisa Russell
- *Sun Peaks 3 Night Stay and Ski - Carol-Anne McQuarrie
- *Staycation - April Johnson
- *Chromebook Package - Michelle Mac
- *Apple Watch Package - Hans Klunder
- *BBQ and Golf Package - Michelle Blackmore

Winners have been contacted directly by SAPA. Many thanks to all families and community members who supported our annual fundraiser – it was a huge success. The Spring Raffle raised just over **\$10,000.00** for our school. We have now successfully reached our goal - raising just over **\$80,000** for our new playground! Plans are in the works to order and install the new playground this June! Thank you to all our families for their continued support!!!! Special thanks to Mrs. Danielle Pilbeam and the SAPA team for their coordination of the Spring Raffle.

SAA TALENT SHOW

The St. Ann's Academy Talent Show will take place on **Wednesday, March 14.**

FULL Dress Rehearsals: students must be in full costume (if relevant) and have music, equipment, etc.

*Act 1 Dress Rehearsal – Monday, March 12 after school in the gym.

*Act 2 Dress Rehearsal – Tuesday, March 13 after school in the gym.

Talent Show Schedule for Wednesday, March 14:

Act 1 begins at 10:15 AM and runs until approximately 11:45 AM.

Act 2 begins at 12:45 PM and runs approximately until 2:15 PM.

All performances take place in the school gym

Due to the Talent Show schedule, the **canteen will not be available** for Elementary students on March 14. Parents are required to pack a lunch from home on March 14 for their child. The canteen will still be available for use by our High School students.

FOOD DRIVE

The SAA *Food Drive for the St. Vincent De Paul Society* will run from March 5- March 15, 2018. We encourage all students to bring non-perishable food items for this important cause. Hampers will be located in each elementary classroom. For high school, each religion teacher will have a hamper in his/her classroom; high school students are asked to bring non-perishables to their respective religion class. Items will be collected until Thursday, March 15. As always, we thank you in advance for your support.

CANTEEN CARDS – NO LOANS NEXT WEEK

Parents please note that the office will not be loaning any canteen cards and/or tickets during the week before Spring Break. Please ensure your child has a lunch or a canteen card by purchasing in advance. Thank you!

2017 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

All unclaimed 2017 Income Tax Receipts were sent out in the mail this week. If you do not receive the tax receipt within one week, please contact Mrs. Rombough at accounts@st-anns.ca.

TOP MARKS SPRING UNIFORM FITTING

We will be having Spring Uniform Fittings on May 14th & 15th. More information to follow regarding appointment bookings. We are looking for volunteers to help with the fittings.

If this is something that might interest you please email: vicky.galea@st-anns.ca

UPCOMING VACATIONS

With Spring Break just around the corner and some students leaving early for vacation, we kindly ask that you email Mrs. Galea: attendance@st-anns.ca or vicky.galea@st-anns.ca at the attendance desk to inform her of your student's upcoming absences prior to the absence. Thank-you very much!

YOUNG AUTHORS' CONFERENCE - MAY 4, 2018

The Young Authors' Conference is a full day conference held at Thompson Rivers University for aspiring young writers. Participating grade 4-12 students attend workshops facilitated by published writers, develop their writing skills, and collaborate with peers. To enter, a student must submit a **manuscript** of script, prose, or poetry to their classroom teacher (elementary students) or English teacher (high school students) by **April 6, 2018**. The school contact refers the manuscript to a school-based committee that

selects outstanding compositions. Authors of these compositions are invited to attend the conference. Each year about 150 to 200 students participate in the conference. Criteria for the manuscript can be found at <http://sd73youngauthors.weebly.com/> or from classroom teachers. For any further questions, the Young Authors' Conference contacts at SAA are Mrs. Mary Dimopoulos (high school) mary.dimopoulos@st-anns.ca, and Mrs. Cecilia Kernan cecilia.kernan@st-anns.ca and Mrs. Lori Zubak lori.zubak@st-anns.ca (elementary).

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Looking for ways to earn some PPP hours? Mrs. Skiba in the canteen is looking for volunteers, please contact her at: mila.skiba@st-anns.ca if this is something that might interest you!

Just a friendly reminder that PPP hours must be completed by May 15th or notification received to Vicky Galea at the front office of anticipated completion date eg. Class field trip taking place in June.

PPP checks will be deposited on Tuesday, May 22nd, no refunds will be issued after this date.

INVITATION TO JOIN US ON FRIDAYS FOR THE ROSARY

On Friday mornings during Lent, parents, students and staff are invited to gather in the Chapel before school to say the Rosary together. It will begin at **7:50 AM** every Friday morning starting on Friday, February 16. Everyone is invited to attend.

TOP MARKS UNIFORM FITTER NEEDED

Top Marks, your uniform supplier, is looking for people who are interested in joining their fitting team. In particular, people who are dependable and would be available to work from 1:00 pm until 8:00 pm, on some Mondays to Thursdays in May and June. Not all weeks will have four days of work. Not all weeks will have work. Exact dates of work will be confirmed by March 30th, working with your schedule. If you are able to work certain days and not others they will work with you to find a mutually convenient schedule. Duties of fitters are: assisting parents selecting the appropriate clothing for their children in correct sizes. Support from experienced fitters will be provided. Wages are \$12.50 per hour. If you are interested in this position please contact: Lorraine Mitchell at Top Marks by phone at 204-979-1049 or email her at Lorraine@topmarks.ca and she can provide more details. Applications accepted until March 30th. Thank-you

ELEMENTARY NEWS

SUPERVISION REMINDER

Outdoor supervision is provided for students between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM during the school week. Parents are reminded that students should not be dropped off at school before 8:00 AM and students need to be picked up after school by 3:00 PM. Students are to be outside during non-instructional times where proper supervision is schedule. While we understand the occasional event occurs which might cause you to be late in picking up your child, we ask that you let the office and classroom teacher know in advance. Many times, teachers have meetings or other school-related events happening before and after school, and students are not to be in the hallways or cafeteria without supervision. Elementary students were reminded of the supervision expectations at the Assembly this afternoon. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

ELEMENTARY REPORT CARDS

Elementary Report Cards will be sent home with your child on Friday, March 16. For those leaving on vacation early, your child will receive their report card upon their return to school after spring break as report cards will not be available prior to March 16. The format used for elementary report cards has changed and a letter explaining the changes will be sent out to parents early next week. Parents are asked to review the report card with their child and keep the report card at home. Parents are asked to sign the envelope and return the signed envelope (not the report card) to their child's teacher after spring break.

TALENT SHOW – NO CANTEEN FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

Due to the Talent Show schedule, the canteen will not be available for use by elementary students on Wednesday, March 14. Students are reminded to please bring a **packed lunch from home** on that day. High School students will still be permitted to purchase items at the canteen on March 14.

ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL NEWS

Congratulations to the **Tier 1 Boys** Basketball Team on winning the quarterfinal game yesterday vs. Dallas by a score of 46-30. Good Luck to the team as they play in the District Semi-Final on Tuesday, March 12 at KSA at 4:00 PM. **GOOD LUCK, CRUSADERS!**

The Tier 1 Boys Basketball Team will have a practice at OLPH on Monday, March 12 (the SAA gym is not available due to other events occurring next week). Mr. Eichenberger will provide transportation to OLPH via the SAA mini bus, but parents are asked to pick up their child from OLPH at 4:30 PM.

BASKETBALL TEAM PARTY - Wednesday, April 4

As the basketball season runs late this year, we will have to schedule the team party for after Spring Break. All students who played elementary basketball this season are invited to attend a team party open to all Tiers (boys and girls) on **Wednesday, April 4**. Students should wear their SAA gym strip. Pizza, chips and drinks will be provided at no charge. The party will take place from 3:00 to 4:30 PM in the SAA gym and cafeteria. Players will participate in fun skill competitions until 4:00 PM, with pizza being provided around 4:15 PM.

SCHOLASTIC "PAWS FOR BOOKS" BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic "Paws for Books" Book Fair is coming to our school! This spring reading event takes place Tuesday, April 10th to Friday, April 13th at lunch and after school in the library and everyone is invited! There will be some "paw-some" activities running throughout the week as well as a family door prize for those students who bring their families to check out the Book Fair! Don't miss this "doggone" great event!

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 under News and Events.

GRAD TRANSITIONS – PARENT PRESENTATION

Thanks to everyone who RSVP'd to Ms. Spina regarding their attendance at the upcoming Grad Transitions Presentation. It will take place in the St Ann's Academy Gym on Monday, March 12th from 1:30pm-2:30pm.

KISSIM

Looking for a fantastic Summer Music Camp? Look no further than Kamloops Interior Summer School of Music! Please click link for more information! <https://www.kamloopsmusiccollective.info/>

There's still time to register!
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