

MAY CALENDAR

May 19: Grad Banquet & Dance 6:30PM @ Kamloops Conference Centre (Coast Hotel)
May 21: **Victoria Day (NO SCHOOL)**
May 24: HS PLC Meetings
May 24 & 25: Prince George Soccer Tournament (Gr 7)
May 29: Elem Strawberry Tea, 2:30-3:30PM in the SAA gym (see details below)
May 30: Intermediate Spring Concert, 6:30PM (see details below)
May 31: Elementary Pizza Day (for those who pre-ordered; rescheduled from May 17)
June 1: Elem Assembly (12:50 PM in the SAA gym... parents welcome to attend!)
June 1: Kindergarten to Grade 9 Dress Down Day for Charity (more details next week)
June 4: High School PLC Meetings
June 4: School Council Meeting 6:00PM (**rescheduled from June 15**)
June 5: High School Year End Arts Celebration, 6:00PM in the SAA gym (see details below)
June 6: Early Dismissal (Elementary-noon, High School- 12:30PM, bus departure- 12:45PM)
June 6-8: Grade 7 Sunnybrae Trip
June 7: High School Athletic Banquet (more details next week)
June 27: Year-End Assemblies and Last Day of School for Students

PARISH-SCHOOL NEWS



Vacation Bible/Sports Camp at St. Ann's Academy July 9 – 13. Join us for a fantastic time. Discovery Mission Catholic Vocation Bible School! What is Discovery Mission? It's a brand new Catholic VBS program that teaches children about vocations! It's filled with fun activities and meaningful content about single life, marriage, priesthood, and religious life, and then offering an optional afternoon Basketball Camp. The program is for ages 4 – 12 (VBS) and Grade 4-7 (Basketball camp). Cost is \$50 for VBS and \$75 for Basketball or \$125 for both. Registration may be made at the Cathedral website www.sacredheartkamloops.org or by calling Sr. Analisa at 250-372-5470 or the Cathedral parish office at 250-372-2581. **DEADLINE to register is June 17! We need volunteers – adults and older children. Please call Sister Analisa if you can assist in any capacity. 250-372-5470**

K-12 NEWS

GRADE 12 GRADUATION EVENTS – FRIDAY, MAY 18 & SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2018! Remaining events for the weekend include:

- ❖ Commencement: Friday, May 18 @ 7:00 PM, SAA
- ❖ Graduation Banquet & Dance: Saturday, May 19 @ 6:30 PM, Kamloops Coast Hotel Conference Centre

2018-2019 CALENDAR DATES

To assist in your planning, the following dates have been confirmed for next year. We are still working on finalizing Professional Development days.

- September 5 – First Day of School for students (full day)
- September 13 & 14- Staff Retreat (no school for students)
- Dec. 24-Jan. 4 – Christmas Break
- Feb. 3-7, 2019 – Catholic Schools Week
- March 18-29, 2019 – Spring Break
- June 26, 2019 – Last Day of School for students

YEAR END ARTS CELEBRATION – TUESDAY, JUNE 5

We encourage our families to attend the upcoming YEAR END ARTS DINNER & CELEBRATION! The event begins at 6:00 PM in the SAA gym. Enjoy a fine dinner, while being serenaded by our high school music department! Wonderful artwork will be on display for you to view from our Fine Arts Department. Tickets will be available soon at the school office!

SAPA Annual General Meeting and Executive Positions Available for 2018/2019

The St. Ann's Academy Parents Association Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 12th at 6:30pm in the meeting room. We will be holding our election for the 2018-2019 executive. SAPA does a lot of work that benefits all of our students and families – please consider joining us! There are a couple of positions available, and no experience is necessary. Please contact sapa@st-anns.ca for more information, or to let us know you'd like to be involved next year.

1. The **President** preparing agendas; collecting paperwork from office; chairing meetings; signing off on requests and cheques (based on approval from committees); supervise all other officers in execution of their duties; preside at all meetings; is a signing officer.
2. The **Vice-President** support president; fills in chair duties in president's absence; is a signing officer.
3. The **Fundraising Coordinator** develops a fundraising plan for the year, organizes fundraising events and campaigns, works with the treasurer to ensure incoming funds are handled appropriately, and reports on fundraising plans and amounts raised at each meeting.

All parents/guardians of St. Ann's Academy students are eligible to serve on the SAPA executive. Executives are expected to attend our monthly meetings (currently the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:30 - 7:30pm, in the school meeting room, but we will consult the new executive in September to determine a schedule that works best for everyone). Our executive works very collaboratively, so while it may seem overwhelming to take on one of these positions, there is lots of help available! If you are interested, or if you have questions about any position, please contact sapa@st-anns.ca

DRESS DOWN DAY FOR CHARITY (Kindergarten to Grade 9)

The Dress Down Day for Charity held in May in support of The Cure for Breast Cancer Research raised \$250.45. Thanks for your generous support! The next Dress Down Day for Charity will take place on **Friday, June 1st** (charity and dress theme to be announced next week).

LOWER PLAY STRUCTURE WILL BE CLOSED JUNE 4- JUNE 19

Through the generous support of our school community, SAPA has managed to raise enough funds this school year to install the new playground structure on the lower field. It will replace the existing structure which had the broken slide removed last year. Therefore, the lower play structure will be fenced off beginning Monday, June 4 so the removal process may begin. The fence will be in place until approximately Tuesday, June 19 (depending on how the project goes). Parent volunteers are needed to help with the installation of the new playground on Saturday, June 16 (see details above). We wish to sincerely thank everyone who has contributed to making this possible! Special thank you goes out to SAPA Co-Chairs Mrs. Pilbeam and Mrs. Matuschewski for their tireless work all year long, and to Paul and April Johnson of Urban Appeal Landscaping for generously offering to donate their time and equipment for the removal and installation process. The students are very excited to see the new playground that will be revealed at the end of June.

PARENT PARTICIPATION PROGRAM (PPP)

This is a reminder to all families who have not completed the full 20 hours of volunteerism for the current school year 2017-2018 or notified Mrs. Vicky Galea via e-mail (vicky.galea@st-anns.ca) with your plans to complete the hours before the end of the school year – your cheques will be deposited next week.

ALL PPP cheques will be deposited first thing Tuesday morning, May 22nd.

LOOKING FOR PHOTOS

Parents of athletes in grades 8 -12: if you have any photos of St Ann's High School sports teams in action, please send them to Mr. Green at Byron.green@st-anns.ca before June 5th to be included in the sports banquet montage. Thank you.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

SCHOOL FEES 2018-2019 – MUSIC & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

In order to prepare for the upcoming school year, Music instrument order forms for the 2018-2019 school year will be sent home next week with students currently enrolled in grades 2-6. Physical Education forms will be sent home the following week with students currently enrolled in grades K-6. Please review the letters for more detailed information. We require parents to pay for these items separately (payment cannot be combined). We apologize for the inconvenience that this may cause. Cheques can be made payable to St. Ann's Academy.

STRAWBERRY TEA

The Elementary staff and students of St. Ann's Academy will be hosting a Grandparents Tea on **Tuesday, May 29** from **2:30 to 3:30 PM** in the SAA gym.

We encourage our elementary students to participate by inviting a grandparent or senior to join them for tea. Admission is free, but please note that unchaperoned students will not be admitted to the tea.

In order to prepare for the tea, we ask that you RSVP via the form that was sent home with your child last week. Please return the form to your child's teacher no later than Thursday, May 24. We will be serving strawberry shortcake.

INTERMEDIATE SPRING CONCERT – WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018

Students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 have been practicing for the upcoming Intermediate Spring Concert. The Concert will be held in the gym on **Wednesday, May 30** and will begin at 6:30 PM. All students are asked to arrive at the school by 6:10 PM. *It is important that all students attend as they have been preparing for a while for this performance.* The Intermediate Spring Concert only happens every second year and is a wonderful opportunity for you to see what your child has learned in elementary music this school year.

Concert Dress: Please have your child wear white t-shirt and blue jeans. Mass dress shirts and uniform pants would work well, too.

Doors open at 6:00 PM. Children will have assigned seating with their classmates in the gym. If you have any questions or there are extenuating circumstances as to why your child is not able to attend, please contact Mrs. Mahoney at Charlotte.mahoney@st-anns.ca. Thank you for your support!

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

There is still time to be a member of the SAA Library's Birthday Book Club for this year! The deadline to donate a **NEW** book to the library is **Friday, June 1st!** Parties will take place towards the end of June. Invitations will be sent out to each student who has donated a book this year!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

CANTEEN

Mrs. Skiba is looking for volunteers in the canteen - please email mila.skiba@st-anns.ca if this is something that interests you!

K-12 SPORTS DAY

Sports Day will be Friday, June 15th at St Ann's Academy! Please email Byron.green@st-anns.ca if you are able to volunteer.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - 'Catch The Fire' Workshop

The Catholic Women's League of Canada's "Catch the Fire" Workshop is coming to St. John Vianney Parish, Kamloops on Saturday, June 2nd, 2018. All Ladies of the Kamloops Diocese are invited to attend! No cost to attend - but please R.S.V.P. Please bring a bag/picnic lunch and weather permitting we will sit outside for lunch. Healthy snacks and beverages will be provided. St. John Vianney- Catholic Women's League is excited to offer this free dynamic and inspiring workshop. For details and to RSV, contact Colleen Stallard @ cstallard53@gamil.com or 250-573-6004 by Monday May 28/18. Please bring a friend, sister, mother, niece or cousin- we welcome all ladies and look forward to spending the day with you.

"Be who you are meant to be, and you will set the world on fire!" -St. Catherine of Sienna

ROYAL SOCCER CLUB – SUMMER CAMPS

All boys and girls aged 5-13 are able to register for any of the 9 weekly sessions held during the months of July and August. The camps will be held at Brock Park. Full day and half day sessions are available. For more information, please visit royalsoccer.com or phone 1-800-427-0536.

LOBSTERMANIA

Lobstermania Dinner at St Ann's Academy! Fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus Council 1614 on Saturday, May 26th. Cocktails at 6PM, Dinner at 7PM. Dance to the live music of **COD GONE WILD!!** Tickets are \$65/ per person and are available from a number of places:

St Joseph's Bookstore, REMAX, Smith GM, Giddens Services, Ed Barker (250-319-3331) Anthony Muzzillo (250-851-1111), John Giddens (250-682-4600) & Garry Mayhew (250-572-5429).

Camps at BIG Little Science Centre, Summer 2018

Camps that include movement, science exploration and experimentation, construction, and loads of hands-on fun are always how we share science with your children. Sign up now for a week (or more) of summer science awesomeness. Camps run daily from 9:00am to 3:00pm, for a week at a time. Cost is \$180 per week, members receive a \$10 discount.

Super Wow Science Camp

Week 1 from July 9 to 13

Week 2 from August 13 to 17

Enjoy hands-on science activities mixed with games, experiments, crafts and art.

Bubbles, rockets, chemistry, crystals, dinosaurs, volcanoes, treasure maps, puzzles/mysteries, roller coaster construction, Zorbs, and much more!

Each week contains different activities and most requested favorite activities, allowing children to participate twice over the summer.

Active science learning allows a child's brain to discover the world around them while their body is busy. Fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) science at its best.

For ages 5 and up. Children must have completed Kindergarten.

Summer Robotics Camp: July 30 to August 3

Robotics Camp is a favorite camp that is for children who like to design, build, and program their own robots. Using the Mindstorms LEGO robotics systems, campers will create their own works of art/science and put them through their paces. Learn how to go fast, be

strong, use sensors, run mazes, and much more. Extra coding opportunities and games will be included to help campers create the ultimate robots! Outdoor fun will include the water slides and Zorbs and more. For ages 9 and up.

Please visit <http://www.blscs.org/> for more registration information.