

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Oct 2: HS PLC Meetings

Oct 3: Elementary Cross-Country Run @ Westsyde Centennial Park (hosted by Arthur Stevenson)

Oct 3: Elem Mass 9AM @ SHC **Mass Dress required.** Parents welcome to attend.

Oct 3: SAPA Meeting 6:30pm in the Meeting Room

Oct 4: **Early Dismissal** (Elementary at 12:00 PM, HS at 12:30 PM, busses leave at 12:45 PM)

Oct 5: HS Mass 9AM @ SHC. **Mass Dress required.** Parents welcome to attend.

Oct 6: SAA Walkathon- **Dismissal at 1:00 PM**, busses leave at 1:15 PM (details below)

Oct 6: SAA Store will be open from 11:30am -1:00pm

Oct 9: **Thanksgiving – NO SCHOOL**

Oct 11: Elementary Cross Country Meet @ Dallas Elementary (District Championships)

Oct 12: Elementary PLC Meetings

Oct 13: K-9 Dress Down Day For Charity (see details below)

Oct 13: Elementary Assembly 12:50pm SAA gym. Parents welcome to attend.

Oct 18: Top Marks- Customer Service Day- SAA Meeting Room 2:00pm-3:00pm

Oct. 27: Professional Development Day. **School not in session for students.**

K-12 NEWS

SAPA APPLE FUNDRAISER

SAPA is in the process of raising funds for an updated playground. The apple fundraiser from Davidson Orchards has gone home and orders are due back on October 4th. Thanks in advance for your support!

MESSAGE FROM ACCOUNTS DEPT

Our bank is now using a cheque counter when we bring in our deposits. If you are writing a cheque to the school please print clearly and please do not put 'xx' at the end of the dollars line.

The machine has trouble reading the 'x' so please put the cents or just put '00'. Also, please avoid using staples on your cheques. Thank-you for your cooperation!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

St. Ann's Academy will be holding their Thanksgiving food drive for St. Vincent de Paul beginning Tuesday September 26 to October 5th. Please have students bring non-perishable food items to their classrooms. Thank you for your support of those in need.

SCHOLASTIC "Saddle Up & Read" BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic "Saddle up & Read" Book Fair is coming to our school! This fall reading event takes place Tuesday, October 17th to Friday, October 20th at lunch and after school in the library and everyone is invited! There will be a chance for students to win FREE books through daily trivia questions and a fun contest running throughout the week. There will also be a family door prize for those students who bring their families to check out the Book Fair! **Adventure Awaits at the Book Fair!**

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who supported the Freezie Fundraiser last week. Thanks to your generosity, **\$350** will go to help the victims of hurricanes and earthquakes. Great job helping everyone in our common home!

DRESS DOWN DAY FOR CHARITY (K-9) – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Pink Ribbon Charity Dress Down Day held on Tuesday. Thanks to your generosity, **\$287.05** has been donated to this charity.

The next Dress Down Day for Charity will take place on **Friday, October 13** in support of **Ronald McDonald House**. Students are invited to bring in a loonie or a toonie in support of this charity and wear **yellow and/or red colours** instead of their regular school uniform.

BUS STUDENTS SAFETY TALK & REMINDERS

SAA bus drivers and Administration will be meeting with SAA students who ride the SAA bus to school and/or home from the school to review bus safety guidelines on Tuesday, October 10. For those students who take the bus to school or home after school, please note that **food and drink is not permitted** to be consumed on the SAA school buses. There have been recent incidents of students leaving a mess on the bus from eating on board. Students will be permitted to drink water on the bus. Thank you for your cooperation.

SAA ANNUAL WALKATHON – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

Walkathon Dismissal Time – Friday, October 6

Elementary students will be dismissed from classes at **1:00 PM** on Friday, October 6, but parents may choose to sign-out their child earlier that day depending on when the class returns from the Walkathon (return times to the school vary by grade level due to varying distances being walked). Parents are asked to please sign-out their child with the classroom teacher directly. **Parents must pick up their child(ren) by 1:00 PM on Friday, October 6 as there is no supervision provided after that time.** SAA School buses will depart at **1:15 PM** on Friday, October 6.

Walkathon Pledge forms: All money and pledge forms must be returned to the school on or before Thursday, October 26, to ensure that students are entered into the draw for final prizes which will be drawn at our Final Walkathon Assembly on October 31. **Unused pledge forms must be returned to the school.** Our goal this year is to raise **\$30,000**. We appreciate your support of this major school fundraiser.

LOST & FOUND

Lost and found items will be displayed on until **Friday, October 6 at 9:00 AM** after which all items will be donated to charity. Please have a quick look to see if any of your children's belongings are in our lost & found. Please **label your child's belongings** which makes it easy for us to return misplaced items. Thank you!

ELEMENTARY NEWS

MINI MARY CLUB (GRADES 5-7)

The Mini Mary group will begin on Tuesday, October 3rd from 3:00 to 4:00pm. There will be weekly meetings and one visit to Gemstones each month. This group is open to all students in Grade 5, 6, & 7. If your child is interested, please complete the consent form and return it to school. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Ferguson at helen.ferguson@st-anns.ca. The consent form can be found at this link: <http://st-anns.ca/saa-weekly/>

ELEMENTARY ART CLUB

High School Art Teacher, Ms. Reiswig, will be offering the Elementary Art Club again this year to allow students the opportunity to explore different kinds of art materials and creativity. Due to the limited space of the art room, there will only be **25 students** accepted, and these will be determined by the first 25 registration forms handed in to the office. The final due date for handing in the form is **Friday, September 29th at 3:00 PM**.

Elementary Art Club will run for one hour on Wednesdays, from **3:00 – 4:00pm** in the high school art room (first floor of the high school Exner building, in the art room). The Art Club registration form is posted on our school website at the following link: <http://st-anns.ca/saa-weekly/>

ELEMENTARY BAKING CLUB

Elementary Certified Educational Assistants Mrs. Iwaskow and Mrs. Harrison will be offering the Elementary Baking Club again this year to allow students the opportunity to bake a variety of items and also experience some craft activities. Due to the limited space of the High School Home Economics room, only the first 20 registration forms received at the school office will be accepted. The final due date for handing in the form is **Friday, October 6th at 1:00 PM**.

The Elementary Baking Club will take place on Tuesdays from **3:00 – 4:30pm** in the High School Home Economics room. The Baking Club registration form is posted on our school website at the following link: <http://st-anns.ca/saa-weekly/>

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RISING STARS CHOIR – Grades 4-7

It's not too late for students to sign-up for the Rising Stars Choir. Practices take place Tuesday mornings from 8:00-8:25 AM in the Elementary Music Room. Please contact Mrs. Mahoney, Elementary Music Teacher, for more details at charlotte.mahoney@st-anns.ca.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING – Grades 3-7

There are two remaining Elementary Cross Country Meets this year. All races take place after school hours. Students will be bussed to the races by SAA school bus but parents must pick up their child after the race. Please be sure to sign-out your child with one of the SAA supervisors after each race.

Cross Country Meets are as follows:

- Tuesday, October 3, 2017 @ Westsyde Centennial Park (hosted by Arthur Stevenson)
- Wednesday, October 11, 2017 @ Dallas Elementary (District Championships)

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Leggett at joanne.leggett@st-anns.ca

ELEMENTARY VOLLEYBALL – PRACTICE TIMES

Team lists have been posted on the Elementary PE bulletin board just outside the elementary entrance to the gym. Coaches are named in brackets below. Practices for next week are as follows:

Monday, October 2 - Tier 3 Boys (Mrs. Sjokvist) & Tier 3 Girls (Ms. Makse)

Tuesday, October 3* - Tier 1 Boys (Mrs. Leggett) & Tier 2 Boys (Mrs. Hanlon)

**Students in Cross Country should attend Cross Country Meet*

Thursday, October 5 - Tier 1 Girls (Mrs. Pearce) & Tier 2 Girls (Mrs. Leggett)

**Final practice days and times will be determined at the end of next week. Most teams will practice at lunch or before school depending on gym availability.*

Games will begin the week of October 16th. The schedule is still being finalized but game days are as follows:

*Tier 1 Boys and Tier 2 Boys -Tuesdays

*Tier 1 Girls and Tier 2 Girls - Thursdays

*Tier 3 Boys and Tier 3 Girls - Wednesdays

COMMUNITY NEWS

OLPH CWL APPLE PIE FUNDRAISER

OLPH CWL is making APPLE PIES for sale for the weekend of October 8 and 9nd 2017, for Thanksgiving. The Pies are \$10.00 each and are frozen and ready to bake. If you would like to pre-order, please call Margaret Dennison at 250-554-1378 or Cathy Inskip at 250-376-9810 for more information.

OKTOBERFEST

The 24th annual St John Vianney **Oktoberfest** will be October 14th, 2017 @ 6:30pm. This great event will help support St Vincent DePaul, Tanzania Mission & Parish projects. For tickets please contact:

Casey @ 250-682-1069 or Julian @ 250-579-9560.

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