### APRIL NEWSLETTER

SAA wishes all our families a blessed Easter!

#### **CALENDAR**

April is World Autism Month

April 2: Good Friday (no school)

April 5: Easter Monday (no school)

April 7: Early dismissal (K-3 @ noon, 4-7 @ 12:10 pm, high school @ 12:30, bus departure

@ 12:45 pm)

April 13: Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment

April 13: SAPA meeting @ 6:30 pm (if you are interested in joining, please email sapa@st-

anns.ca for the zoom link)

**April 14: Elementary Mass** (elementary students in mass attire this day, please) **April 15: High School Mass** (high school students in mass attire this day, please)

April 15: Grade 10 Literacy Assessment

April 16: Dress for Charity Day

April 26-May 7: Elementary Spring into Reading

April 26-May 10: Book Fair
April 29: Capstone Presentations

April 30: Crusaderwear Day

#### **TALENT SHOW**

Many of our amazing students put their talents on display for the annual Talent Show. While we weren't able to witness our amazing talent in person this year, we encourage families to enjoy the virtual compilation <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

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

Our next non-uniform day will be on Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup> in support of the BC Children's Hospital. Students are invited to donate a loonie or toonie, wear jeans, and bring their favourite stuffy to school that day.

#### A MESSAGE FROM SAPA

COVID has affected all of us, including SAPA and the things that we traditionally allocate funding for. Many of the things in the budget that we approved last June aren't going ahead, such as various class trips and music and sports extracurricular activities and travel. At our March meeting, we made financial decisions to reallocate much of the spending, within the rules and guidelines and in cooperation with school administration, to fund the following: wireless microphones; a large projector screen; fencing to improve the safety of the lower field; portable regulation sized soccer goals; and moveable risers for assembly and music events. In addition, SAPA funded food and activities for Catholic Schools Week and the purchase of house t-shirts. There is a series of "COVID-buster" events and activities to enhance school spirit

coming up from late March through June. SAPA appreciates the support of all parents in our school community.

## **ELEMENTARY SPRING INTO READING** is just around the corner! \*Events will take place between April 26th and May 7<sup>th</sup>.

- Dress up as your Favourite Storybook Character (Monday, April 26th)
  Start planning your costume now. Students can pick their favourite storybook character and dress up like them for the day. This will be a non-uniform day for all participants.
- Virtual Scholastic Book Fair (Monday, April 26th Monday, May 10th, 2021 at 8:59pm PT)

Purchase new books online and support the Library! See more details about the book fair below.

- Read-a-thon: (April 27th- May 6th)
  Students will be bringing home a special reading log to keep track of their reading. The results will be tallied and classes will be competing for house points. There will be prizes for the top readers from each class.
- Book Trivia (April 28th, May 3rd, and May 5th)
  Students will have the opportunity to test their book knowledge with brain-teasing questions.
- Sock Day (Thursday, April 29th)
   Wear your favorite funky reading socks to school with your uniform today!
- D.E.A.R. Drop Everything and Read! (Friday, May 7th)
  Students will have a quiet reading time in class.

Please note the Spring Into Reading 2021 Calendar of events will be found on our school website closer to the date.

#### **BOOK FAIR**

The Spring Book Fair will once again be taking place virtually. The dates to purchase new books online and support the Library is **Monday, April 26th to Monday, May 10th, 2021 at 8:59pm PT**. Check out the online shopping link which will be live on April 26th, enjoy the book trailers, and start making wish lists! <a href="https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5156901">https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5156901</a>
Once the book fair is live and you have placed an online order, your order will be shipped directly to your address and the Library will earn <a href="https://www.20%-back.in.product rewards">20% back in product rewards</a>. Free standard shipping on orders over \$40, otherwise standard shipping is \$6. Customers will receive a tracking number for their order once it is shipped. "Family Night Free Shipping Events" are Wednesday, April 28th and Wednesday, May 5th from 6-8pm. Even though the book fair will look a little different again this spring, the Library appreciates all of your support! Thank you from Mrs. Sucro

#### ST. JOSEPH'S FUNDRAISER

in our first St. Joseph's fundraiser during the month of March, the SAA community raised \$850 for the Women's Shelter in Kamloops. Thanks to all those who generously donated. In April, we will be doing a food drive in honor of St. Joseph. Stay tuned for more details regarding this.

#### **RE-REGISTRATION PACKAGES**

Thanks to families who already returned their re-registration packages. If anything is outstanding, you will be contacted via email over the next month or so to follow up with missed registration items. Please note that if it is your intention to re-register your child(ren) for the upcoming school year and you have not yet returned the re-registration package, please do so ASAP. Packages were due to the school office by March 12<sup>th</sup> to guarantee placement for the 2021/22 school year.

#### PARENT PARTICIPATION PROGRAM

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, due to the covid pandemic most parents have not had the opportunity to volunteer with the school. To our families who had the intention of completing their hours who:

- **provided a post-dated cheque -** your cheque will be shredded on April 9<sup>th</sup>, unless you let us know you want your cheque back before such date.
- **provided cash** we will refund your cash with a school issued cheque on April 9<sup>th</sup>. We will send the cheque home with your oldest child.

Note: If parents wish to donate the PPP funds, it would be gratefully accepted; however, it is not an assumption, nor is it an expectation. Please email <u>accounts@st-anns.ca</u> prior to April 9<sup>th</sup> if you will be making your PPP payment a donation.

#### **BASEBALL ACADEMY**

Do you know any high schoolers who play rep baseball that may be interested in joining our Baseball Academy? If you have a high school aged relative or family friend who loves baseball, encourage them to contact the school about this great program!

#### A HIGHLIGHT FROM FOOD STUDIES 10 CLASS

The students enjoyed a guest teacher (Mr. Arsenault, our high school VP) for a recent Foods class. Who knew Mr. A was this talented in kitchen?! See pictures below for proof of his skills making crème puffs...





#### **SAA STORE**

SAA's very own store will be open on Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 2-3 pm. You are welcome to visit the side doors of the school (near the upper field and portable) to purchase some awesome merchandise.

#### SAPA FUNDRAISER

Please join SAPA in an ongoing fundraiser with the Colombo Lodge. See attached PDF for items that can be purchased. Please visit <a href="www.colombolodge.com">www.colombolodge.com</a>. On the main page, scroll down and there is <a href="Weekly Take Out Special">Weekly Take Out Special</a> picture. Click on "Order Now" and you can see the products that are for sale. On the checkout page, there is a section titled <a href="Order Note">Order Note</a> where you can write a note to indicate they are from the St. Ann's community (i.e. St. Ann's or St. Ann's fundraiser). SAPA will then receive a credit for all purchases and fundraising completed. The meals come in various sizes and are great to freeze for when you need food quickly.

FICKUP EVERY FRIDAY from 12:00pm to 4:00pm

PLACE YOUR ORDER
ONLINE AT:
WWW.COLOMBOLODGE.COM

OR CALL: ROBERTA MORONI BUS 250.374.4914 CELL 778.257.8500



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# SAPA SPONSPORED COLORING & PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS

SAPA is having an Easter themed coloring contest for interested elementary students. Coloring sheets went home with students this week. Entries are due to the school office by April 9<sup>th</sup> for those students wanting to participate.

For high schoolers, SAPA has created an Easter themed photography contest. Students who are interested in participating must email their photo submission to <a href="mailto:jloehr2003@yahoo.ca">jloehr2003@yahoo.ca</a> by April 9<sup>th</sup>. In the email to Mr. Loehr, please include your name and grade.

One winner from each grade will receive a \$20 gift card. Winners will be announced the week of April 19<sup>th</sup>.



**Theme: Easter Spring Time** 

Open to Grades 8 to 12

One winner from each Grade to receive a \$20.00 Gift Card

Entries received from April 1st to April 9th, 2021

Judging April 12-16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Winners announced week of April 19th

Email entries to jloehr2003@yahoo.ca include your name and grade

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