



ST. ANN'S ACADEMY  
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## MARCH NEWS

### March CALENDAR

- Mar 3: Elementary Art Club 3:00-4:00 PM (for those pre-registered)  
Mar 4: **Early Dismissal Day- Elem 12:00PM/ HS 12:30PM/ Buses leave 12:45PM**  
Mar 6: Crusader Wear Day  
Mar 6: Elementary Assembly 12:50 PM  
Mar 9-10: Grade 11 Vocations Pilgrimage to Westminster Abbey (Mission, BC)  
Mar 9&10: Talent Show rehearsals 3:00 PM, SAA gym  
Mar 9: SAA Store Open 2:15 PM- 3:15 PM  
Mar 10: Science Fair- Grade 5, 8 & 9 (please details below)  
**Mar 10: Elementary Mass 9:00 AM SHC. Mass Dress Required.**  
Mar 10: Re-registration packages due by 4:00 PM  
Mar 10: Elementary Baking Club 3:00-4:00 PM (for pre-registered students)  
Mar 11: SAA Talent Show (see details below)  
Mar 11: SAPA Raffle Draw Date 2:10 PM  
Mar 12: Elementary Pizza Day (for students who pre-ordered)  
Mar 12: Elementary PLC Meetings  
**Mar 12: High School Mass 9:00 AM SHC. Mass Dress Required.**  
Mar 13: Dress Down for Charity (Blue Theme- Ocean Legacy Charity)  
Mar 13: **Noon Dismissal- All Grades; Buses leave 12:15 PM**  
Mar 13: Report cards sent home High School & Elementary  
Mar 16-27: **SCHOOL CLOSED FOR 2 WEEK SPRING BREAK**  
Mar 30: First day of school after Spring Break (full day of school)  
Mar 30: SAA Store Open 2:15 PM- 3:15 PM  
Mar 31: First Communion Share a Meal 7:00 PM, grade 2 classroom  
Mar 31: School Council Meeting 6:00 PM  
Apr 1: **Early Dismissal Day- Elem 12:00PM/ HS 12:30PM/ Buses leave 12:45PM**

### K-12 NEWS

#### SAA TALENT SHOW

The St. Ann's Academy Talent Show is just around the corner! The Talent Show is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11th during the school day and will include performances from both elementary and high school students.

We thank every student who auditioned for the Talent Show but due to our large student population, unfortunately, not all students who auditioned were selected to perform at the Talent Show. Students have been

notified this week if they were successful in their audition. Students will then receive information regarding the Act (morning or afternoon) they will be performing in for the Talent Show to be held on Wednesday, March 11.

**FULL DRESS REHEARSAL:** Monday, March 9 (1st Act) & Tuesday, March 10 (2nd Act) @ 3:00 pm (SAA Gym). Students must be in full costume (if applicable) and have music/instruments/props with them for the rehearsal.

-SAA Talent Show Committee

### **DRESS DOWN DAY FOR CHARITY – MARCH 2020**

Thank you to everyone for your generous support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation in donating **\$421.20** today! Our next Dress Down Day for Charity will be held on **Friday, March 13**. Students are invited to bring in a loonie or toonie donation in support of **Oceans Legacy** and dress in **shades of blue** clothing rather than the regular school uniform. Thank you for your support of this charity!

### **YOUNG AUTHORS CONFERENCE GRADES 4-12**

Students in grades four to twelve who have expressed interest in attending the Young Authors Conference on May 1<sup>st</sup> will need to hand in their completed manuscripts to Mrs. Zubak or Mrs. Dimopoulos by Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **SAPA SPRING RAFFLE**

The booklets went out on January 24<sup>th</sup> (Elementary) and January 27<sup>th</sup> (High school). [BC gaming laws dictate that ALL booklets \(both sold and unsold\) must be returned before we can hold the raffle draw.](#) If you have lost your booklet, please contact the office and we will have you fill out a lost booklet form per BC gaming rules. **ALL Sold and UNSOLD Booklets were due back on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.** Draw date is **March 11, 2020** after the Talent Show.

Thank you for your continued support of SAPA! These funds improve school programming by purchasing equipment that enhances what SAA can offer our students.

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

Re-registration packages were sent home with the youngest or only child in each grade on Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Re-registration packages are due into the office by **Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup> before 4:00 PM**. Incomplete packages will not be accepted. A \$50.00 administration fee will be applied for any re-registration packages returned past the deadline.

### **TOP MARKS UNIFORM FITTING DATES**

Representatives from Top Marks, our uniform supply company, will be at SAA on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Information about booking appointments will be sent out at a later date. For the 2020-2021 school year, all students in Grades One through Twelve will be required to wear school uniform. Uniforms are to be purchased from our uniform supplier, Top Marks. Parents are encouraged to attend uniform fittings to ensure proper sizing of uniform pieces for their child(ren).

### **SAA BUS – REMINDER**

Parents are asked to please send a note, in writing or via email, if their child has permission to take the SAA bus home with a friend. If the child is not a regular bus student, then a bus pass must be purchased ahead of time at the office for \$3.50. Students wishing to ride the bus other than their regular bus home will only be permitted to do so if we have written notice from the parents in advance. This is to ensure the safety of our students. Thanks for your cooperation and support.

## SCIENCE FAIR

The Grade 5, 8 and 9 students will be participating in our school science fair on Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. The fair will be open to the community from 1:45-2:30pm. We need your help. Firstly, the students will be participating in a STEM activity that requires toilet paper rolls. If you are able to provide toilet paper rolls, please send them with your child and ask them to drop them off in the Grade 5 classroom. Secondly, we still need a few more judges. If you are interested in science and have time available on the day, please contact Miss Smylie ([ksmylie@st-anns.ca](mailto:ksmylie@st-anns.ca)) or Mrs. Ferguson ([hferguson@st-anns.ca](mailto:hferguson@st-anns.ca)) to sign up and/or for more information.



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Looking to get a jump on your PPP hours? We have the following opportunities available:

- ✓ Canteen: Mrs. Skiba is always looking for volunteers in the canteen. Mon-Fri from 8:30-11:00 AM; if this is something that interests you please contact Mila Skiba at [mskiba@st-anns.ca](mailto:mskiba@st-anns.ca) to book.

## TOP MARKS SPRING FITTINGS

We are looking for volunteers for our uniform spring fittings on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Please email Vicky Galea for further information at [vgalea@st-anns.ca](mailto:vgalea@st-anns.ca)

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

### 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 11<sup>th</sup>. 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 11<sup>th</sup>.

### KAMLOOPS HOMELESS MAT PROJECT- MARCH 2020

Too many plastic bags? The SAA elementary students are collecting plastic bags in their classrooms for “The Homeless Mat Project”. The bags will be sorted, flattened, and cut at school. They will then be passed on to some wonderful volunteers who will use the strips of plastic to crochet lightweight, waterproof sleeping mats for people who find themselves without a home. We are asking students to bring clean, non- biodegradable plastic bags to their classrooms throughout the remainder of the school year. Thank-you for your support of this initiative!

### ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the Tier 2 Boys Recreation and Tier 2 Girls Recreation Basketball Teams on their very successful basketball seasons. Well Done, Crusaders! Team members are asked to return their washed jerseys as soon as possible to their coach.

Good Luck to the Tier 1 Boys Competitive basketball team and the Tier 1 Girls Competitive basketball team as they begin District Playoffs next week. If they win their first game, they will advance to the District Quarterfinals. Should they lose a game in the playoffs, the team will be finished playing for the season (first-round knock-out).  
**GOOD LUCK, CRUSADERS!**

Practices and Games for next week are as follows:

<b>Practice Time</b> <b>PLAYOFF WEEK 1</b> <b>For T1 C Teams ONLY</b>	<b>Mon, March 2</b>	<b>Tues. March 3</b>	<b>Wed. March 4</b>	<b>Thurs. March 5</b>	<b>Fri, March 6</b>
<b>Before school</b> <b>*2 teams*</b> 7:30-8:15 AM					
<b>Lunch *1 team*</b> 12:00-12:30 PM			<i>Noon Dismissal</i> <i>No Practices</i> <i>No Games</i>		Tier 1 Girls C (Classroom)
<b>After School *2 teams*</b> 3:00-4:00 PM	Tier 1 Boys C Tier 1 Girls C	<b>T1 Boys "HOST"</b> <b>vs Dallas</b>  <b>T1 Girls @ KCS</b>	<i>Noon Dismissal</i> <i>No Practices</i> <i>No Games</i>	<b>If Win Tuesday:</b> <b>T1 Boys @ Brock</b>  <b>T1 Girls "HOST"</b> <b>Playoff Game</b>	Tier 1 Girls C

<b>Practice Time</b> <b>POSSIBLE</b> <b>PLAYOFF WEEK 2</b> <b>For T1 C Teams ONLY</b>	<b>Mon, March 9</b>	<b>Tues. March 10</b>	<b>Wed. March 11</b>	<b>Thurs. March 12</b>	<b>Fri, March 13</b>
<b>Before school</b> <b>*2 teams*</b> 7:30-8:15 AM	<b>NO GYM</b> <i>Talent Show</i> <i>rehearsals</i>	<b>NO GYM</b> <i>Talent Show</i> <i>rehearsals</i>	<i>TALENT SHOW</i> <i>No Practices</i>		
<b>Lunch *1 team*</b> 12:00-12:30 PM					
<b>After School *2 teams*</b> 3:00 to 7:00 PM		<b>T1 Girls Semi-Finals</b> <b>@ OLPH</b> <b>(2 Games)</b> <b>4:00 &amp; 5:30</b>  <b>If Win</b> <b>T1 Boys @ Brock</b> <b>Semi-Finals</b> <b>5:30</b>		<b>T1 Girls FINALS</b> <b>@ Brock 5:00</b>  <b>If Win</b> <b>T1 Boys FINALS</b> <b>@ Brock 6:30</b>	

# HIGHSCHOOL NEWS

## **GRAD CAPSTONE PRESENTATIONS**

Grade 12 Parents and guardians: you are invited to the St Ann's Academy Capstone Presentations. Presentations take place at the St Ann's Academy Gym on Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM. Please RSVP to Ms. Spina at [dspina@st-anns.ca](mailto:dspina@st-anns.ca) by Monday March 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **LOOKING FOR PHOTOS FROM PRINCIPAL AWARDS**

We are looking for additional pictures from the principal awards that took place in the fall for our yearbook. Please submit any photos that you may have to Alicia Bruneau at [abruneau@st-anns.ca](mailto:abruneau@st-anns.ca).

## **CRUSADERS SPRING BASKETBALL**

Crusader Basketball is a series of camps designed to develop and improve the fundamentals of basketball, focusing on basic basketball skills such as dribbling, passing, shooting and positional play, and at the same time, nurture a love of the game and advance the sport of basketball at St Ann's Academy.

The program will run on Saturdays from April until early June 2020 and is open to male & female SAA and OLPH students:

Grades 4 to 7: 10.00 - 11.30 am

Grades 8 to 11: 12:00 - 1:30 pm.

The dates are listed below.

April 4, 18, 25,

May 2, 9, 23, 30

June 6, 13

Jason Eichenberger and Garry Mayhew are the head coaches of the program and have over 40 years of coaching experience between them. They have a passion for the game and want to share their expertise. The cost for the program will be \$110 and will include a camp T-shirt. Proceeds from the camp will be used to develop and strengthen the Basketball Program at St Ann's Academy. If you have any questions feel free to contact Jason Eichenberger at [jeichenberger@st-anns.ca](mailto:jeichenberger@st-anns.ca)

The registration link is below.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1bE6AjnaXtBnFNvDU2MYzqthAhw9UoYJCVRGbedwq1dU/edit?usp=sharing>

# COMMUNITY NEWS

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## **MINERVA- LEARNING TO LEAD**

This program is open to female youth who are in Grade 11 and are interested in participating in a positive, women-led leadership program. Sessions will be held at TRU in Kamloops June 5-7<sup>th</sup> 2020. Please see link for more information, applications are also available in student services. Deadline for applications is March 16<sup>th</sup>.

<https://minervabc.ca/learning-to-lead/>

## **COLUMBO HALL DINNER**

Colombo Cares, take home dinners has chosen St Ann's Academy SAPA group as their non-profit organization for their April 15<sup>th</sup> dinner! Dinner is served the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, pre orders are required, and pick-up is between 11:30-6:00 PM. Please see link below for more information:

<http://www.colombolodge.com/colombo-cares/>

## CHILDREN'S GRIEF PROGRAM

Children's grief program is being offered at Kamloops Hospice beginning in April. Willow Tree Children's Grief Group: 8-week program for children ages 6-17 starting on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 3:00- 4:00 PM; pre registration is required. Children are invited to use play and art therapy as a healthy way to express their feelings of grief and loss together. Please contact Dallas at [dallas@kamloopshospice.com](mailto:dallas@kamloopshospice.com) or 250.372.1336

## FORMED

Formed is a technology platform for the delivery of award-winning Catholic content, children's programming, audio talks, e-books and more. After gathering feedback from Parishes, they are excited to announce the next generation of FORMED! It is easier to join and easier to log in. Go to [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) and get great Catholic movies etc. Click on Sign up, then "I belong to a Parish or Organization" type in Sacred Heart Cathedral and click on the correct link for our parish. Enter your name and email address and that is all you need to do.

## MASS AT SUN PEAKS RESORT

Regular weekend Mass will be offered at Sun Peaks Dec 7<sup>th</sup>– Apr 4<sup>th</sup> - Saturdays at 4:00 PM.

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