

# MID-OCTOBER 2021 UPDATES & REMINDERS

## UPCOMING DATES FOR the REMAINDER of OCTOBER

Oct 18: SAA Store Open 2-3:00 (for purchase of Crusader wear)

Oct 19: Immunization Consent Forms due (only given to a number of Grade 10 & 11 students)

**Oct 20: PHOTO DAY – Mass dress** required

**Oct 21: Walk-A-Thon – EARLY DISMISSAL @12:30 & HOT DOGS FOR STUDENTS!**

**Oct 22/25: NO SCHOOL** – Provincial & CISKD Professional Development Days

Oct 26: School Committee meeting – 6:00 PM via zoom (if you would like to attend, please email [officeadmin@st-anns.ca](mailto:officeadmin@st-anns.ca) or the zoom link)

**Oct 26–Nov 1: Food Drive** for the Mustard Seed

Oct 27: Elementary Assembly

Oct 27–29: Grade 12 Grad Retreat at Harper Mountain (for details email: [officeadmin@st-anns.ca](mailto:officeadmin@st-anns.ca))

Oct 28: Elementary Pizza Day

**Oct 29: Free Dress – Orange & Black Day!**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**PHOTO DAY** – Our re-scheduled photo day is taking place THIS Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Mass dress is required for all students!

**HARVEST DANCE – CANCELLED**; Due to Covid restrictions, unfortunately our Elementary Harvest Dance scheduled for the end of October has had to be cancelled again this year.

**FOOD DRIVE - Food Drive in support of the Mustard Seed.** All donations being collected from **October 26, 2021 to November 1, 2021**. The Mustard Seed has provided outreach and poverty relief services in Kamloops since 1980 originally as the New Life Mission and merged with the organization in 2018. The Mustard Seed Kamloops seeks to build hope and well being for the most vulnerable citizens through Jesus' love. Operating primarily out of the Outreach Centre at 181 West Victoria Street in downtown Kamloops.

The demand is growing daily for The Mustard Seed Kamloops to provide nourishing meals for the community's most vulnerable people during this global pandemic. Currently, the outreach centre day room is open from 11am-6pm with limitations on the number of guests allowed on site at one time. Lunch and dinner are still being provided from Tuesday through Saturday.

## **Suggested items needed at this time include:**

- Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Sugar, Tea
- Soups (Mr. Noodles, Lipton cup of soup etc)
- Kraft dinner
- Hats, toques, mittens, and scarves
- Personal care products for men and women including shampoo and soap, deodorant, shaving cream etc
- Potatoes, Carrots
- Canned goods
- Salad dressings and mayonnaise
- Dish soap
- Laundry detergent

**Please bring your donations to your Elementary classrooms or High School Religion Classes**

*Thank you for all your support!*



**ELEMENTARY PIZZA DAY** - Due to COVID absences and the partial shutdown of SAA, the first pizza day of the school year will be Thursday, October 28th.

**SAA STORE** - Looking for [Crusaderwear](#)? Our SAA store will be open on October 18th from 2-3:00

**WALKATHON** - The Walkathon will take place on Thursday, October 21st. Your child has received and has brought home a St. Ann's Academy Walkathon pledge sheet. Students can continue to collect pledges after the Walkathon, up until our Final Walkathon Assembly at the beginning of November (exact date to be announced). This event is our major school fundraiser! We are very appreciative of the generous donations from our families and the Kamloops community in support of our school!

**PARENT VOLUNTEERS** for help in the CANTEEN – Mrs. Lorraine needs some help with lunch preparations and distribution! If you can spare an hour or so between 11:30-12:30, Mon-Fri, please email Mrs. Lorraine at [mlorraine@st-anns.ca](mailto:mlorraine@st-anns.ca).

Please also note that although Covid has made parent participation a bit more challenging, we are still counting on your help. Although we were able to forgive Parent Participation Hours last year, we feel that the restrictions have lessened enough this year that we can safely have parents help in a number of different ways. Therefore, we likely won't be forgiving parent participation hours unless restrictions change again. We are a small school and thus we rely on parent participation and, without your help, a number of our programs and events just wouldn't happen. So we GREATLY appreciate all that you do!

Please see the '[Parent Participation Program Description](#)' for ways in which you can help. Also, if you have a skill or talent that you feel could help us at the school, and it isn't listed below, please feel free to share that with us. For example, we currently have a parent helping

with our website and this has been a tremendous help to us in the office. We will try to be creative in matching your talents and skills to our school needs...just tell us what those hidden talents are.

## **FALL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Our Fall Scholastic Book Fair is just around the corner! Join us virtually on Monday, November 15th until Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:59pm PT to purchase the latest great books! All books sold help our library earn rewards for new resources!! Please follow the link to start browsing!

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5163672>

All orders will be shipped directly to the school (that means free shipping for everyone) and orders will be distributed to students once they arrive. The Library appreciates all of your support!

## **NEWS FROM THE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT**

Senior Athletics: Grade 8/Junior/Senior Volleyball & the Boys Soccer season have begun, parents/players can view practice times and find team schedules on the HS Athletic website; <https://sites.google.com/st-anns.ca/highschoolathletics/home>

## **HAPPY FALL EVERYONE!**