



SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

September 19, 2025

Stay Connected

Stay connected with us to keep up with all the amazing things happening on campus. While we'll be sending out newsletters twice a month (like this one), the best way to get the latest updates is by following us on social media! Join our online community and stay informed: Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! Our social media channels are the go-to-place for highlights from sports events, student accomplishments, and important school announcements.



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St. Ann's Academy Kamloops

Reminder: Attendance

If your child(ren) will be arriving late, leaving early or absent for a full day or longer please email attendance@st-anns.ca or use the Absence Reporting form from the SAA website: Absence Reporting Form. In addition, please let their teachers know via email in advance of the absence. Our attendance reporting procedures are a part of our safety protocols for the school and help keep everyone safe and accounted for. In the event your child needs to leave on short notice please call the office at 250-372-5452. When reporting absences please ensure you give your child(ren)'s first name, last name and grade. Thank you

New: Volunteer Opportunities at St. Ann's

We have a couple of upcoming opportunities for parents to get involved and help out at the school, plus earn some PPP hours. Please note that **all volunteers** who help out at St. Ann's Academy MUST have a current Criminal Records Check (CRC) on file at the school office. To learn more about the CRC process at St. Ann's, please reach out by phone at 250-372-5452 ext. 118 or by email attendance@st-anns.ca to find out more.

1) **Walkathon – Thursday, October 17th (10:00 am –12:00 pm)**

We are looking for volunteers to assist with preparing and delivering hot dogs for our students after the Walkathon. If you are available to help with the Walkathon, please email Chelsea at ctjomsaas@st-anns.ca

2) **Canteen Volunteers - Various Tasks**

The canteen is also in need of volunteers during the day to help with various tasks from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. If you are available to help in the Canteen, please email Taylor at tkrymusa@st-anns.ca

3) **Come Read with Me (CRWM) Volunteer Training**

A great way to get your PPL hours is to volunteer as a reading tutor! You will be trained and can select your hours each week. Training times are listed below. See the poster below for more information. Email Mrs. Bojesen at kbojesen@st-anns.ca if you are interested or would like more information.

Your support makes a big difference—thank you in advance!

New: Volunteers Needed – Breakfast for the Needy

We are looking for volunteers to help with the **Breakfast for the Needy** program, held **every third Tuesday of the month, starting October 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** at Sacred Heart Cathedral (church hall)

This is a meaningful opportunity to serve our community and make a real difference in the lives of those in need while working with and supporting our high school students. Whether you can help regularly or just occasionally, your time and support are greatly appreciated.

If you're interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Domenica Spina at dspina@st-anns.ca

Canteen Menu for High School

The Menu will be posted outside the canteen for high schoolers each week.

New: Feeding our Futures

“As busy parents deal with global inflation, school food programs can help reduce the pressure on their wallets while tackling student hunger,” said Rachna Singh, Minister of Education and Child Care. “Working with local schools to make sure our kids are fed and ready to learn will make a real difference for families and communities.”

The Province is continuing the Feeding Futures funding grant. This grant invests in building and expanding local school food programs. St. Ann's Academy has received a grant from the Ministry of Education with the intention of assisting families in need with food security to reduce the challenges of rising food costs. If you would like to self-identify as you need assistance, please fill out the survey found [here](#). Please note all information provided is confidential. Those who were a part of the program last year do not need to reapply.

New: Deciding When Your Child Is Too Sick for School

Deciding if your child is too sick to attend school is not always easy. As a general guideline, children should remain at home if they are unwell and unable to participate fully in routine school activities.

Please keep your child at home if they have:

- **Fever** – keep them home until they are fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of medication.
- **Vomiting or diarrhea** – keep them home for 48 hours after the last episode.
- **Severe sore throat.**
- **Rash** with no known cause.
- **Severe cough**, especially if accompanied by other symptoms such as a runny nose or headache.
- **Redness, swelling, or discharge from the eyes, ears, or skin** (unless under treatment).
- **General unwellness** – if your child is unusually tired, irritable, or lacking energy to join in school activities

New: Crusader Wear

Need Crusader Wear? Here is the link to order.

<https://saafall2025.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

New: High School Athletics

Senior Boys Soccer and High School Volleyball Schedules once released Sept. 17, 2025, will be posted on the [Athletics Website](#). Practice schedules may also be found here.

MEDIA DAY SAA FALL 2025 SCHEDULE

TEAM PHOTOS

- Monday, September 22 @ LUNCH 12:50 pm - SAA Gym - Team photo - GR 8 GIRLS VBALL / JR GIRLS VBALL
- Wednesday, September 24 @ LUNCH 12:50 pm - SAA Gym - Team photo SR GIRLS VBALL/ JR AND SR BOYS VBALL

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

- Thursday, September 25 @ LUNCH 12:50 pm - Art room - Sr Boys Soccer and SR GIRLS VBALL
- Monday, September 29 - Art room @ LUNCH 12:50 pm - JR BOYS VBALL AND SR BOYS VBALL Individual photos
- Wednesday, October 1 - Art room @ LUNCH 12:50 pm - Grade 8 GIRLS VBALL AND JR GIRLS VBALL, Individual photos & cross-country team and individual photo

All players need to wear their white uniforms and have game footwear for both photos!

Library News

Elementary Birthday Book Club

Elementary students will be bringing home information about the SAA Birthday Book Club. All NEW book donations (valued under \$15.00 – please no board books) must be handed in to the library by Thursday June 4th, 2026. Thank you for your generosity!

High School Study Sessions

The library will be open at lunch for high school students on the following days:

Tuesdays – Grade 8's and 9's

Thursdays – Grade 10's, 11's, and 12's

Bring your lunch and enjoy a quiet place to work or study!

Thank you from the Grade 3 Class!

Thank you to Lorianna Bennett and her mom, Mrs. Paul, from the Grade 3 class for donating a stationary bicycle. It is much appreciated!

Reminder: Top Marks Uniform Ordering Information

Needing to order new school uniforms? Please click here: [Top Marks Uniform Ordering Information 2025/2026](#) for details on ordering school uniforms for the 2025/2026 school year.

To access the complete St. Ann's Academy school uniform policy, click here: [SAA Uniform Guidelines 2025/2026 School Year](#)

Chess Club

Great news! There will be an official chess tournament on October 4th at TRU! Come and practice at lunchtime on Mondays in Mr. Gillis's room. This tournament is open to everyone, so students, staff, and parents are welcome. Talk to me for more details (robertmcbain.gafe@st-anns.ca).

Adopt a Road Volunteer Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus will be performing our clean-up of Ord Rd on November 1st from 8am to 10am and would once again like to extend this volunteer opportunity out to the students. If you are interested, please email Mr. Storla. storla@telus.net

Key Dates

Sept. 25	Bring \$2 & wear your sports wear for Terry Fox's Cancer Research
Sept. 29	Orange Shirt Day- wear an orange shirt (uniform bottoms)
Sept. 30	No School – National Truth and Reconciliation Day
Oct 9 and 10	No School – CISKD Staff Retreat
Oct 13	No School – Thanksgiving Holiday
Oct 24	No School – Provincial Pro D Day

The Ultimate Italy & Greece Adventure!

Join Us for the Ultimate Italy & Greece Adventure!

*SPRING BREAK 2026
ASCEND ONLINE AND ST. ANN'S ACADEMY*

Grades 8 and up are welcome
Fundraising available, grade 11 credit course
transportation, hotels, most food, 24-hour
tour director, local guides, entry fees
ALL INCLUDED
contact vp@ascendonline.ca for info



For Grade 9-12 Students (Not for current grade 8 students)

St. Ann's Academy students and parents are to email Miss Santos at ksantos@st-anns.ca and Miss Spina at dspina@st-anns.ca if you are interested.

Parent Resources

<https://st-anns.ca/wp-content/uploads/erase-infographic-for-parents-caregivers.pdf>

<https://st-anns.ca/wp-content/uploads/mhsu-language-guide-for-families.pdf>



**Wednesday
October 1, 2025
6:00pm-8:00pm**

**Henry Grube
Education Centre
245 Kitchener Crescent**

postsecondarybc.ca

**Students! Parents!
Supporters! Join us at the**

Kamloops Community Post-Secondary Info Evening!

**Explore your post-secondary options at this evening event
with 14 universities and colleges from across BC — open
to students, parents, caregivers, and supporters!**

Meet representatives from:



POST-SECONDARY BC



FAMILY FRIDAYS

CHILDREN 15 AND
UNDER RECEIVE
COMPLIMENTARY
ADMISSION

IT'S BLOOM TIME

U-PICK FIELD
PHOTO
OPPORTUNITIES
PAINT NIGHTS
YOGA IN THE FIELD

Sept 22 - Oct 6

Text 'tickets' to
778-743-8433 for
link to purchase

4289 Salmon River Rd

Spallumcheen
3 min. North of Armstrong

BLOOMFLOWERFESTIVALS.COM

KCYG & CISKD invite you to:

The Feast!

A Youth Rally for Grades 7–12

Saturday, October 11

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM (ending with Mass)

at St. Ann's Academy in Kamloops

Get ready for an unforgettable day of faith, friends, food, and fun! Join teens from all over as we celebrate the Goodness of God together.

Special Guest: Fr. Leo Patalinghug – award-winning author, chef, and missionary priest who brings the faith to life with energy and joy you won't want to miss!

Come hungry for inspiration, connection, and God's love. This is one Feast you don't want to skip!

Registration fee is \$10.00

Registration deadline is Friday October 3rd



REGISTER HERE



For more information, or if you have any questions, contact Andy at kcyg@rcdk.org or 250-319-7722