



# September Newsletter

Welcome back to all our Families!

## WELCOME BACK

We would like to welcome back all our families with a Welcome Back BBQ and Meet the Teacher Night Wednesday September 13, 2023 from 5:00-7:30pm. Come on out and get to meet the teachers, grab a bite to eat and get (re-)introduced to St. Ann's Academy!

## NEWS FROM THE SAA OFFICE

### **PAYMENTS by E-TRANSFER**

Please note that when paying by e-transfer, **you can combine amounts** and send just one e-transfer. There is no need to send separate e-transfers for different things. Within the description, please label as: **Family Name, Description of Payment** . The email address for e-transfers is [payments@st-anns.ca](mailto:payments@st-anns.ca)

### **BUSES**

A reminder that if your son or daughter only rides the bus occasionally, he or she MUST have a bus pass from the school office. The bus passes are \$7.50 and they must be shown to the driver. Unfortunately, the student will not be permitted to ride the bus that day unless they have a ticket. Please also note that even if bus usage is only occasional, students must be pre-registered to ride that particular bus, as space is limited.

\*\*\*If you have registered to be a regular bus riding family just a reminder that your September fees are due if they have not been paid yet.\*\*\*

## PARENT PARTICIPATION PROGRAM (PPP)

Thank you St. Ann's families for all you do to help out at the school and with events! We can't do it without you! We look forward to seeing you all back here in September to start the Parent Participation Program again!

## SENIOR FOODS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Senior Foods class is beginning this year with a canning unit. To keep to our course theme of sustainability, we are looking for donations of excess or imperfect produce. Anything that can be jammed, pickled, used for salsa or relish, etc. would be greatly appreciated.

If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact MRs Bruneau at [abruneau@st-anns.ca](mailto:abruneau@st-anns.ca)

## **St. Ann's Parent Association (SAPA)**

Tonights (September 12, 2023) meeting has been postponed to allow for an introduction tomorrow (September 13, 2023) at the Welcome Back BBQ. The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday September 19, 2023. For more information please reach out to SAPA directly at [sapa@st-anns.ca](mailto:sapa@st-anns.ca).

## **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 into the Library by Friday, June 7th, 2024. Thank you for your generosity!

### **HIGH SCHOOL STUDY SESSIONS**

The Library will be open at lunch for High School students (starting Tuesday, Sept. 19th) 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!

## **FROM THE FAITH CORNER**

**SAA FAITH DEVELOPMENT TEAM** – The St. Ann's Faith Development Team is a small group of parents and staff who support the discovery and deepening of the Catholic Faith in our school community. We do this with the help of "Faith Reps", parents who are open to sharing and fostering our faith in the parent community, helping link other parents to school and parish resources. We also host faith-based activities within the school. If you are interested in a role with our Faith Development Team, please email [fdt@st-anns.ca](mailto:fdt@st-anns.ca).

## **CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY**

Please [see the invitation](#) for the Virtual Volunteer Fair!

## **ATHLETICS**

The high school is back into the swing of things with the volleyball season kicking off. As the teams rosters have been filled out, we are now looking at adding to our coaching staff.

Volunteers are imperative to SAA being able to have a team in the city league and we would love for you to be able to join our coaching staff and work off your PPP hours.

We are currently looking for anyone is interested in coaching/assistant coaching/helping out the following teams:

**1) Grade 8 Girls Volleyball team** - local league games, 1 local tournament

**2) Grade 8/Junior Boys Volleyball team** - local league games, 1 or 2 local tournaments (Assistant coach - Mr. Larson, looking for a head coach or someone who can co-coach)

Please respond to [cmallais@st-anns.ca](mailto:cmallais@st-anns.ca) if you have any questions or if you are able to help out.

Practices start next week and can be viewed here on the Athletics Website calendar:

<https://sites.google.com/st-anns.ca/highschoolathletics/home>

## **Important Calendar Dates**

### **September Highlights:**

Sep 12: SAPA Meeting (email [SAPA@st-anns.ca](mailto:SAPA@st-anns.ca) to get a zoom invite/code)

Sep 13: Welcome Back BBQ and Meet the Teacher 5:00-7:30pm

Sep 19: House Spirit Day - lets see those House Colours!

Sep 19: SAPA Meeting - please email [sapa@st-anns.ca](mailto:sapa@st-anns.ca) for more details!

Sep 20: Picture Day!

Sep 22: Terry Fox Run - Dress down for Terry

Sep 26: Local School Committee Meeting 6-8pm

Sep 27: Orange Shirt Day

Sep 28: Staff Retreat School Closed

Sep 29: Staff Retreat School Closed

Oct 2: School Closed in recognition of National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Oct 3-6: Thanksgiving Food Drive