

From: [SwiftReach Networks Alert](#) on behalf of [Katherine Therrien Catholic Elementary School](#)
To:
Subject: Katherine Therrien School News - Wednesday, December 15, 2021
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

If you require a translation, please copy and paste this message into [Google Translate](#) or call the school for verbal clarification.

“While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.”

Luke 2:6-7

Thank you to all those that joined us this morning to watch our virtual Christmas Concert. We received many great comments. Thank you so much!

We welcome our families to watch the concert this evening at 6:30 pm MST using this [link](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MGNINTY5ZDIHZDgiMvooZWOiLWExZGEtMjg2MGRiMjgOGI3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22b18d0f6f-0743-460d-a19b-ob3297eeeb89%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22aaa68ead-780f-4b5b-bc11-54dda5f33892%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atru%7d&btpe=a&role=a) (https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MGNINTY5ZDIHZDgiMvooZWOiLWExZGEtMjg2MGRiMjgOGI3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22b18d0f6f-0743-460d-a19b-ob3297eeeb89%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22aaa68ead-780f-4b5b-bc11-54dda5f33892%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atru%7d&btpe=a&role=a). Please ensure to share this link with your family as there will not be anyone at school to answer your calls this evening. Teachers have also been asked to place the link in your child’s Google Classroom so that students may also open the link for you from their file. We look forward to joining with you this evening. The concert is approximately 40 minutes in length.

If you hadn’t had the chance to already speak with our new office admin support, we want to officially welcome Mrs. De Oliveira. As Mrs. De Oliveira gets settled and sets out her routine at Katherine Therrien, you may notice some slight changes. If you call the school **before 8:15 or after 3:45**, you will likely get the answering machine. **Please be sure to leave a message** and it will be returned as quickly as possible if need be.

A reminder that tomorrow, Thursday 16 December 2021 is a FULL DAY of school for our Grade 1 to 6 students. Kindergarten will also attend school this day at their regular time. Friday will be an early dismissal at 11:34. Please ensure that your childcare is aware of this switch.

As we head to the Christmas Break, there are few items to note:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have been blessed by our School Council and will be hosting a hot lunch tomorrow, Thursday 16 December 2021. If you have not already sent payment, we are asking \$5 per child to help with some of the costs towards this lunch. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thank you to all those families that donated to both social justice projects: clothing donations or charitable contributions to the ECS Foundation. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A reminder that there is a change in school times on 16 and 17 December 2021.<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Thursday 16 December 2021<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ FULL DAY (8:25-3:08) for Grades 1 to 6 students▪ Kindergarten attend school this day (8:25-11:30)▪ Hot lunch will be served to Kindergarten around 11:00 am. Hot lunch will be served to our Grades 1-6 around 12:00 pm.◦ Friday 17 December 2021<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ EARLY DISMISSAL (8:25-11:34) for Grades 1 to 6▪ NO KINDERGARTEN this day▪ Office will be closed for Christmas Vacation at 12:30 pm.◦ School resumes on Tuesday 4 January 2022 at 8:25 am. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• As we head into the Christmas break, Edmonton Catholic Schools is committed to keeping our families in the know about COVID-19 cases. We understand this information is important as you plan and prepare for the holidays. <p>Alberta Health Services has assured us it will continue to notify our Division of the cases involving students or staff who were infectious while at school even after the final day of classes on December 17. We will share this information on</p> |

the [COVID-19 Notifications page](https://www.ecsd.net/page/38034/covid-19-notifications) (<https://www.ecsd.net/page/38034/covid-19-notifications>) on our website. This means if AHS determines there was a potential exposure at our school, the school's name, the cohort, and the date that the case was reported to us will be listed. We will also include the guidance and recommendations from AHS about monitoring your child for any COVID-19 symptoms.

The website is updated every weekday around 5 pm, excluding holidays.

- Every year, we review our Code of Conduct with our school community and ask families to review it with their children. Please review this with your child and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you to those families who have already done so.

- January bus passes will be handed out in January. Busses will pick up children the first school day of the month so that the new pass can be handed out.

Please also check your email for grade specific information from your child's classroom teacher should there be any.

This is our last weekly update for 2021 – hard to imagine already! We take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas in however your family celebrates. May the New Year be blessed with health and happiness. See you on Tuesday 4 January 2022.

Take care, stay safe!

Sincerely,

Ms. J. Hertlein & Ms. C. Letwin,

Administration, Katherine Therrien



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