



DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

ADMINISTRATOR MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians

As we enter the month of December, we also enter the season of Advent. This is the time where we prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ, our savior. The word Advent means "to come". This is a time in our liturgical year where we invite Jesus to come into our hearts. How will you do this during the month of December?

Thank you to all parents that participated in the Demonstration of Learning online. The students have all worked so hard and are accomplishing many learning goals. We will be celebrating Christmas online as well. Available for your viewing, will be a Christmas Concert performance in grades 1-6 Google Classroom. Mrs. MacGregor has been working very hard during music classes to get everyone ready and has been recording each class performing. Our Kindergarten Team has also been working on their Christmas performance and it will also be available in the Google Classroom. We hope that everyone takes the opportunity to watch the concert for their child.

December is usually a colder month so just a friendly reminder to please be sure your child/children have a winter coat, snow pants, mittens/gloves, a hat and boots. We are always outdoors for recess unless the weather drops below -20 degrees Celsius. It is always best if your child/children's items are labeled with their first name and last initial. We have several items in the lost and found so we will ensure all students check this area often if they are missing items they bring to school.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kristy Desmarais
Principal

Ms. Christine Custodio
Assistant Principal

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

SPIRIT DAY

Friday, November 19 – Wear your favorite Disney Gear in honour of World Kindness Day



SCHOOL FEES

School fees are now available to be paid using your PowerSchool account. Please be sure to pay these fees by **ASAP**

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COVID 19 Immunizations

Below are two links from our health nurse regarding information about immunization for children aged 5-11 years.

[COVID-19 Immunization for Children Under 12 | Alberta Health Services](#)

[School Immunizations during COVID-19 FAQ \(albertahealthservices.ca\)](#)



Edmonton Public Library Card

You can apply for a library card for free through your Powerschool account. Instructions are included with the Newsletter.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

The next School Council Meeting will be held through a Teams meeting on:
Monday, November 29 at 6:15 p.m.

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

All parents are encouraged to attend! A link will be sent out just before the meeting.



Mixing Spoon Fundraiser

We would like to thank you for your support and generosity for the Mixing Spoon fundraiser. Every one of you showed unimaginable support to our school during these tough times. We raised \$ 1,172! The Grade 1 class won by selling 96 jars! Great job Grade 1s! They enjoyed their cookies and milk treat on Friday. Some orders would have been sent home with students. If you have not received your order. Please contact the office to arrange pick up.

God bless you and your families these holidays.

St. Anne Parent Council



Advent

Advent is a wonderful time to reflect on the birth of Jesus Christ and prepare our hearts for Christmas. Attached with this newsletter is an Advent calendar that the teachers will be either using in the classroom or sending home with your child. It has some great ideas on many things you can do to prepare for Christmas.



"WE READ THE NEWSLETTER!" CONTEST

This week's
Word of the Month is:

Advent

November Winners: Arya Gr. 3, Noah Gr. 5, Amach Gr. 5

Parents, record the Word of the Month in your child's agenda and the teacher will enter them into the draw for Lunch with the Principal at the end of the month! There will be 3 winning students that will eat their regular lunch and also enjoy a special dessert with Mrs. Desmarais!

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CHRISTMAS BREAK

Thursday, December 16 will be a **full day** - 2:53 Dismissal
Friday, December 17 will be a **half day** – 11:45 Dismissal
Christmas break is December 17, 2021 – January 3, 2022
School Resumes Tuesday, January 4, 2021.

SPIRIT DAY

Pajama and Stuff Day

Friday, December 17, 2021

POWERSCHOOL PARENT/STUDENT PORTAL



PowerSchool

<https://powerschool.ecsd.net/public/>

The Edmonton Catholic Schools PowerSchool parent and student portal is a secure website that allows parents and students to access attendance, grades, fees and student information in real time.

Please remember to check out how your child is doing in school on a regular basis. Our recommendation is to check on their progress as least once a month.

PowerSchool is used for all students/parents from Kindergarten to grade 12. It is critical that you have access to your account. Ensure that you remember your username and password. Once your account is set up you have it for as long as your child is registered with ECSD.

If you have forgotten your username and/or password, please go to the login page above and click on "forgot username or password" and follow the instructions.

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Christmas Concert

Each class has a recorded performance that will be available for viewing in the Google Classroom as of December 2, 2021. Enjoy viewing your child's performance!

PLAYGROUND NEWS

The new playground has been a big hit at school. For safety, we have the K-3 students on the playground during first recess and the 4-6 students on it at lunch recess. We hope that many families enjoy it in the evenings and weekends.



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MASK WEARING

According to the ECSD Re-entry Plan it is mandatory for all students in K-12 to be wearing masks at school.

It is the responsibility of the parent to provide a mask for their child.

We have had to provide a number of masks over the past month for students that are coming to school without one.

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS A CLEAN MASK AND A SPARE IN THEIR BACKPACK.

Thank you.

Student Pick-Up

We are taking a number of calls with a change of plans for pick-up and we are finding that it is disruptive to the learning in the classroom and difficult to relay the message when classes are outdoors for P.E. at the end of the day.

We would ask that parents ensure your child knows the arrangements ahead of time for pick-up and reserve changes only for emergency purposes.

We appreciate your assistance with ensuring all students learning isn't interrupted.

ECSD NEWS

Daily Screening Questionnaire

Please be sure to click on the link <https://www.ecsd.net/ci/p/34430> to your daily health screening questionnaire for your child. Remember to keep your child home if they are sick and call 811.

Merry Christmas Everyone

From all the staff at St. Anne School, we wish every family a blessed and merry Christmas as well as a Happy New Year!



News

December 2021	
December 1	Christmas Concert – Google Classroom
December 6	Advent Liturgy 8:30 am on announcements
December 10	Assembly
December 13	Advent Liturgy 8:30 am on announcements
December 16	Early dismissal cancelled – full day of classes.
December 16	Advent Liturgy
December 17	Spirit Day – Pajama and Stuffie Day Last day of classes before Christmas – early dismissal
December 20–January 3	Christmas Vacation
January 2022	
January 3	No Classes – day in lieu for New Year's Day
January 4	Classes Resume
January 7	Assembly 10:30 a.m.
January 14	Spirit Day – Snowman Building Contest