



**St. Anne**  
Catholic Elementary School

## SUMMER NEWSLETTER

# ADMINISTRATOR MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians

As we wrap up the school year I would like to thank all students, staff and parents for a wonderful year filled with excellent learning. We wish all families a safe and happy summer holiday. Final report cards will be available June 29, 2022, through your Powerschool account. Be sure to log on to see your child's success. We want to share some information about September to help you with the start-up of the 2022-2023 school year.

In September 2022, Kindergarten to Grade 6 students across Alberta will learn a new provincial curriculum in Physical Education and Wellness (K-6), English Language Arts and Literature (K-3 only), and Mathematics (K-3 only). ECSD has a strong history of fostering deep learning experiences for all our students with foundations of literacy, numeracy, and universal design for learning. We are prepared for the upcoming changes and have been working hard to ensure our staff are supported. Professional development will begin this month and continue into the new school year. We have expanded our consultant and leadership teams to support the implementation of the new curriculum. We are confident our classrooms will remain spaces of faith-based learning that deeply engage all staff and students with technological innovation, creativity, critical thinking, and authentic learning experiences. [Click here](#) to learn more about the new curriculum and how it will differ from what's being taught currently in schools.

Be sure to read through the newsletter to be fully informed. All students will automatically be enrolled in the next school year unless we hear otherwise from parents. Have a safe and happy summer holiday!

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Kristy Desmarais*  
Principal

*Ms. Christine Custodio*  
Assistant Principal

# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, August 31, 2022  
Kindergarten Small Group Day  
Grades 1-6 Full Day



Log into Powerschool to see your child's progress. Final report cards will be available June 29 in the afternoon.

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### SCHOOL COUNCIL POSITIONS

**Chairperson:** is the contact person for the division, runs the meetings, works with the principal on many school activities, follows the procedures and guidelines for school councils by referring to this site:

<https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/>

**Secretary:** types up the agenda in consultation with the chairperson and takes notes at each meeting, types them and sends them to the council and Principal.

**Treasurer:** takes care of the bookkeeping for school council, signs all cheques along with another council member, gives a financial report at each meeting.

**Fundraiser:** works with other council members to plan and implement fundraising activities for the school, coordinates volunteers for events

We will need volunteers for these roles next school year. Our Opening School Council meeting will be on:

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022  
6:30 PM AT THE SCHOOL**

### SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

School Council needs volunteers for positions. Please consider:

**CHAIRPERSON  
TREASURER  
SECRETARY  
FUNDRAISER**

All parents are encouraged to attend the meetings and get involved in your school activities even if you don't want to hold a position. We also need volunteers to help with fundraising activities and events.

#### **Why should I attend a meeting?**

By attending a School Council meeting you will have the chance to:

- Have a voice in school decisions
- Meet other parents
- Listen to the plans for school improvement
- Share your ideas
- Meet with the school Principal and Assistant Principal
- Volunteer for a role on the Council
- Volunteer for special events like fundraisers or other community building events



## Staff Announcements

We will say farewell to a number of staff that will be moving on to new and exciting journeys. We thank them all for their service to the St. Anne School Community and wish them all the best!

The following staff will be with us for the 2022-2023 school year:

Teaching Staff	Support Staff/MDT	Administration/Other
Amanda Lysak - KA	Osa Idehen - EA	Kristy Desmarais - Principal
Candice Jackson-Grady 1A	Kalie Bredo Olson - EA	Christine Sankey – AP/LC/3A
Gwennyth Toyad – 2A	Feven Fessahye - EA	Christine Lynch – Admin Assistant
Athena MacGregor – 3A, Music	Sydney Crosswell - TABT	Keever David - Custodian
Larissa Unger – 3/4A	Ruth Omayio - TABT	
Katelyn Johnson – 4A	Michelle Charest - FSLW	
Brenna Dexter 5/6 A	Maria Bandjak - ECE	

## SCHOOL HOURS

School hours will remain the same and are as follows. There will be supervision of students 15 minutes before school and after school each day. Drop off and pick up of students must be done at the back of the school, as students will be entering and exiting from the back doors.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	Thursday
8:20 – First Bell 8:25 – Instruction begins 10:15-10:30 – Morning Recess 12:00-12:15 – Lunch Recess 12:15 – 12:35 – Lunch 2:53 - Dismissal	8:20 – First Bell 8:25 – Instruction begins 10:15-10:30 – Morning Recess 11:45 - Dismissal

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## Year-end Fundraiser

Fun Fridays was a great success! Thank you for sponsoring the final School Council fundraiser of the 2022-2023 school year.

We raised \$ 165.35 for classroom activities, T-Shirts and field trip support.

## School Supply Lists

**Please check the St. Anne website for school supply lists. You can pre-order supplies or you can shop for your own. Use the link below to get to the St. Anne website.**

# POWERSCHOOL PARENT/STUDENT PORTAL



<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.

## First Day of School

The first day of a school year can be very exciting and fun! Here are some tips to help make it positive for your child.

- ✓ **Get a good night sleep so you are rested**
- ✓ **Eat a good breakfast so you feel good**
- ✓ **Have your backpack ready to go the night before**
- ✓ **Have all your school supplies with you**
- ✓ **Have indoor shoes to keep at school**
- ✓ **Be at the school about 5 minutes early (8:15) so you can find your door. Signs will be on each door.**
  - ✓ **Plan to say good-bye to your parent/guardian at the door and then go inside with your teacher**

## SCHOOL WEBSITE

The school website has great information about our school! Be sure to visit it often, as it is always being updated.

<https://www.ecsd.net/8042>

