



École St. Paul Elementary January 2024

Live, Learn, & Lead Like Jesus Vivez, Apprenez, et Menez comme Jésus

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Our Mission:

Working together to live, learn and lead like Jesus so that we grow as servant leaders and lifelong learners.



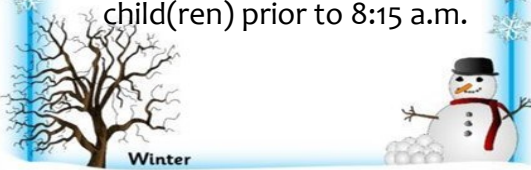
May the faith of God be with you this year.
May the peace of God surround you,
and may you be blessed each day!

Happy New Year

An Important Notice to Parents

Students who are being dropped off may only enter the school after 8:15 a.m when supervision begins.

Please do not drop off your child(ren) prior to 8:15 a.m.



Christmas Liturgy
Tuesday, January 9th
1:00 p.m.
At the Cathedral



Thank you to all the families that donated items to our Silent Auction and to all the parents and grandparents that placed bids on the items. It is due to your generosity that we were able to raise over \$1000.00 to go towards the SPECS Choir Field Trip to the Winspear Centre in the New Year.
THANK YOU and all the best in 2024!



School Council

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The next School Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan 16th
7:00 pm
Everyone Welcome!



S.P.E.C.S. Website

Newsletters

St. Paul Education Learning Calendar

December Board Meeting Highlights

Bus Status App

School Cash Online

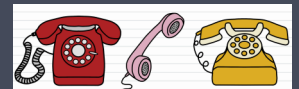
School Messenger

Hot Lunch Program

Contact Information

If you have had a change in contact information (home or cell phone #, address, email, etc...) please let the school know ASAP so that we have current information.

Thank you.





EXTREME WEATHER

Is my child's bus running? Coming home early?

Throughout the winter, weather and road conditions are constantly monitored with the safety of students and staff at the center of all of our decisions. We strive to inform parents of any delays or cancellations as quickly as possible. Here's how you may be notified:

- Bus driver contact
- Call/text from your school
- Local radio stations
- Bus Status app
- Division social media (Facebook and Instagram)
- Division website
<https://www.stpauleducation.ab.ca/transportation/bus-status>

How we decide:

When temperatures and/or wind chill is -40 or colder, buses are CANCELLED. Notice may be given the night before or in the morning.

-40°C
Buses may run in the afternoon during extreme cold weather under certain circumstances.

Weather checks start very early with The Weather Network and phone calls to designated staff living in each local area.




If a decision is required around temperature and/or road conditions, the Director of Transportation consults with:

- Local bus drivers
- School principals
- Superintendent of Schools



Even if buses are cancelled schools remain OPEN.

- If your child attends: meaningful learning still occurs
- If your child is absent: efforts will be made to ensure they do not fall behind



Decision is based on:

- Local road conditions
- RCMP travel advisories
- Weather and wind warnings
- Local municipality

Your bus driver also has complete discretion to cancel a route should they feel travel is unsafe.



Parents always have the final say about their child's safety and well-being and can always choose whether or not to have their child take the bus.



The Nations of Saddle Lake, Whitefish Lake and Frog Lake make independent decisions about their buses. Please contact them directly for any questions regarding their transportation policies.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION TO STUDENTS

Parents are **REQUIRED** to provide written and signed instruction for the administration of any medications (prescription and over the counter) being taken by students.

All medications taken by students must be stored at the office.

Consent forms are available at the main office and the medication can be given to the staff member at that time.

School Fees Reminder

If you haven't already made your payment, please do so as soon as possible.

Payments are payable by cash, cheque, debit, credit or **SchoolCashOnline.**

Bus Status App



St. Paul Education is pleased to offer a new bus notification system commencing in the 2023-24 school year!

The Bus Status 4 App will replace the Alertus App that was previously used by the division to communicate bus delays and cancellations. The new app will provide families with a faster and more reliable experience when receiving bus notifications.

Bus Status 4 is free to download on Google Play and the App Store.

The status of bus routes will also be displayed on the division and school websites for those without access to a mobile device capable of receiving push notifications, such as a cell phone, or for those who prefer a browser-based experience.

Instructions for downloading the Bus Status 4 App are available [here](#).

DRESSING FOR COLD WEATHER

COLD



December Activities

The Advent Season Begins



Decking the Halls



Christmas Concert



Christmas Luncheon



Our Choir



Farewell Mrs. deMoissac



*A
Truly Amazing
School Librarian
Is Hard to find,
Difficult to Part With
&
Impossible to forget*

Off on the Right Foot

A day of fun & discovery for children 2 to 5
Wednesday, January 31, 2024
Ecole du Sommet Gymnasium
4609 40th St.
9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Free consultations from Health & Educational Professionals

- ◆ « Ages & Stages » Questionnaires
- ◆ Early Childhood Professionals
- ◆ Speech & Language Pathologist
- ◆ Occupational Therapist



Community organizations & information on family well-being. Childcare service onsite.

Call 780-645-5050
to book your appointment



This event is made possible due to funds from the Public Health Agency of Canada.

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JANUARY

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Day 2 	9 Day 3 Christmas Liturgy 1:00 p.m.	10 Day 4	11 Day 5	12 Day 6	13
14	15 Day 1	16 Day 2 School Council Meeting 7:00 p.m	17 Day 3 Hot Lunch Ordering Opens Jan 17th—23rd	18 Day 4	19 Day 5 Theme day: Twin Day - dress up like a twin	20
21	22 Day 6	23 Day 1	24 Day 2	25 Day 3	26 Day 4	27 
28	29 Day 5	30 Day 6	31 Day 1	Upcoming events: February 2—PLC Day—No School February 8 — Parent/Teacher Conferences/Goal Setting February 14—Early Dismissal at 2:00 p.m. February 15 & 16—Teacher’s convention February 19—Family Day		

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