WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 15-19, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

The administration team at St. Vladimir hopes that everyone is having a wonderful season of Lent and that you are able to pray, fast and give alms. The prayers that are coming into the prayer box, from the students, are amazing. We continue to read them during the announcements. Many students brought in their loonies and toonies for our giving Friday so please remember to do so for this Friday. Be sure to read through the whole newsletter to be informed about your child's school and enter the Newsletter contest!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kristy Desmarais Principal Mrs. Joanna Schipper Assistant Principal



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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NO SCHOOL - MARCH 18

Reminder that there will be no school for students on Thursday, March 18

2021-2022 LEARNING INTENTION

Please indicate your child's intended school for next year in your PowerSchool Parent Portal Account



Student fees are posted to your PowerSchool Parent Portal account and payment is now due.

GIVING FRIDAY

This Friday is Giving Friday – Remember to bring a Toonie or Loonie for Sign of Hope

NEWS

FORGET

2021-2022 LEARNING INTENTION

This year ECSD is asking all families to let us know their intentions for the 2021-2022 school year online instead of using a paper response. You can access this on your PowerSchool Parent Portal account under the tab on the left-hand side called "Intention for Next Year"

This is where you can indicate if you are returning to St. Vladimir or if you are moving to another school. This is also where our grade 6 students can indicate the Jr. High they would like to apply to.

Learning Intentions MUST BE completed by March 22

Please watch the following video from ECSD regarding learning intentions: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fDz6NUbKH8g

For more information visit: https://www.ecsd.net/ci/p/15294





The following will be our Lenten Activities that will take us until April 6, 2021.

Lenten – Fast, Pray, Give

Pray – we will set up a special prayer box on the table outside the office and I invite each class to write a prayer for someone or something and we will say these prayers on announcements.

Fast – each class will have a discussion about what fasting means during one of their religion lessons.

Give – We will have **GIVING FRIDAYS** for the Sign of Hope Campaign. During Lent we have 4 Fridays that we are at school.



February 19 March 5 March 12 March 19

We will invite students to bring a toonie or loonie to school on these Fridays.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

The next School Council Meeting will be held VIRTUALLY on:

Wednesday, April 14 at 6pm

All parents are encouraged to attend!



St. Vladimir School Council is looking to fill the **Secretary** position.

Secretary Qualities:

- Desire to serve the students, the council, the school and the division
- Understanding the role of the school council
- Good listening skills
- Effective communication skills
- Strong organizational skills
- Basic computer skills (word processing)

Secretary Responsibilities:

- Distribute meeting agendas
- Distribute minutes from previous meeting with agenda
- Record minutes for all council meetings
- Maintain a complete file of all approved minutes, agendas and reports/materials distributed to members at meetings
- Attend council meetings and participate in discussions and voting

If you are interested in the Secretary position, please contact the School Council Chair:
Nadine Andrusiak - 780-719-1060
nadineandrusiak@gmail.com



SPIRIT DAYS



<u>Upcoming St. Vladimir Spirit Days:</u>

March 17th - Green Day

April 9th – Dress to Impress/Fancy Dress Day April 23rd – Jersey Day

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Virtual Book Fair link:

https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/ pages/5155957

FAIR START DATE: March 8th, 2021 FAIR END DATE: March 19th, 2021

Virtual Family Nights on
Wednesday March 10th & 17th: where
shopping between 6pm-8pm
will be free shipping, no minimum purchase
required!



SPRING INTO ART GALLERY

Edmonton Catholic Schools Present:

SPRING INTO ART

Virtual Gallery

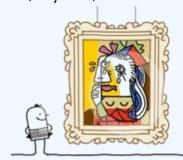
March 14-21, 2021

Virtual Gallery Launch March 14 at 1pm

Visit: <u>www.ecsdspringintoart.net</u>

Congratulations to the following St. Vladimir Kindergarten students who's artwork was chosen to be displayed in the gallery!

Brooke, Siyam, Denzel & Viana



NEWS

"WE READ THE NEWSLETTER!" CONTEST

We are excited to announce a NEW monthly contest at St. Vladimir called "We Read the Newsletter!"

Each week, students whose parents read the newsletter can enter their name on a ballot and be entered to win Lunch with the Principal at the end of the month!

How it works:

- **Step 1:** Parents/Guardians read the weekly St. Vladimir Newsletter
- **Step 2:** Parents/Guardians write a message back to the school in their student's agenda with the Newsletter Contest Word of the Week
- **Step 3:** Students with a message in their agenda can fill out a ballot to be entered into a draw for Lunch with the Principal!

At the end of each month, Mrs. Desmarais will draw a name from all of the ballots entered that month and the selected student will get to have a Pizza Lunch with the Principal!

So be sure to read our Weekly Newsletter to enter your student for a chance to win!



This week's Newsletter Contest Word of the Week is:

PATRICK

Good Luck!

ST. MATTHEW PARISH NEWS

For more information about any of the programs offered by St. Matthew Parish you can call the office at 780-475-2888.

Please take note that our office hours had changed. We are now closed on Monday. Tues, Wed & Thurs - 8:30am – 4:00 pm Friday and Saturday – 8:30am – 12:00pm Sunday from - 8:30am - 1:00pm



EDMONTON PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS



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COMMUNITY PARK LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL NEWS

Ever want to be a Pirate? Now's your chance! The Community Park Little League Pirates are recruiting their 2021 crew! All skill levels welcome from recreational House league to Allstars.

For more information or to register visit: www.piratesbaseball.ca

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.

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA



WEBSITE

Our website is a valuable tool for information about your child's school and ECSD information as well as many educational links. Be sure to visit the website throughout the school year for up-to-date information and all the latest news at:

www.stvladimir.ecsd.net

FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram to see what is happening in the school and stay connected!

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St. VLADIMIR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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MARCH 2021 POST ON T FRIT		
1-5	Grade 3 CCAT's	FRICE
3	Priest Virtual Visit – 1-1:30pm – Grade 5 School Council Virtual Meeting – 6:30pm	
5	Spirit Day - 80's Day Giving Friday – Bring a Toonie or Loonie for Sign of Hope	
8-19	Scholastic Virtual Book Fair	
10	Book Fair – Virtual Family Night – 6-8pm FREE SHIPPING!	
- 11	Virtual Demonstration of Learning 1-3:30pm & 4-6:30pm	
12	Monthly Assembly – 10:30am Giving Friday – Bring a Toonie or Loonie for Sign of Hope	
17	St. Patrick's Day – Wear Green! Book Fair – Virtual Family Night – 6-8pm FREE SHIPPING!	
18	Staff Professional Development – NO SCHOOL	
19	Giving Friday – Bring a Toonie or Loonie for Sign of Hope	
22	2021-2022 Learning Intentions Deadline – PowerSchool Parent Portal	
25	Full Day of School	
26	Half Day of School – EARLY DISMISSAL	
29- Apr 1	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL	

APRIL 2021		
2	Good Friday – NO SCHOOL	
5	Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL	
7	Priest Virtual Visit – 1-1:30pm – Grade 1/2	
8	Easter Mass & Retreat Day	
9	Spirit Day – Dress to Impress/Fancy Dress Day	
14	School Council Virtual Meeting – 6:30pm	
16	Monthly Assembly – 10:30am	
19-30	Virtual Artist in Residence – Mile Zero Dance	
23	Spirit Day – Jersey Day	