

# *St. Francis of Assisi Middle School*

## *JUNE -Year End- NEWSLETTER*



As June arrives, we find ourselves reflecting on another remarkable year together as a Christ-centred school community. This year has been filled with moments of growth, connection, and celebration — a testament to the strength of our students, families, and staff working together in faith and purpose.

A central focus this year has been amplifying student voice and choice, creating rich opportunities for our students to take ownership of their learning and actively engage in meaningful ways. From classrooms to extra-curriculars, items offered in the cafeteria, we've seen creativity, leadership, and collaboration thrive.

Rooted in our division's faith theme, *"Inspired by Christ on a Journey to Encounter, Nurture, and Serve,"* we've embraced the call to be #InspiredToServe — within our school and beyond. Through acts of kindness, service projects, and community outreach, our students have shown what it means to live their faith in action.

As we wrap up this school year, we are filled with gratitude for the relationships we've deepened, the challenges we've overcome, and the joy we've shared. Thank you for being part of this journey. May your summer be filled with rest, renewal, and blessings.

### **KUDOS - Celebrating**

- **CHROMEBOOKS** A huge thank you to our parent community for your incredible support — thanks to your generosity, we were able to purchase 22 new Chromebooks to enhance student learning and access to technology!
- **VOLUNTEERS** Thank you to all the parents/guardians who have completed the necessary paperwork to obtain a Criminal Record Check to support our upcoming field trips.
- **STUDENT FEES** Thank you to our parents for your outstanding support — with **96.8%** of school fees collected, you've helped sustain essential learning experiences and resources that are a vital part of our school budget.

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## FIELD TRIPS - Enriching Learning Our Students' Educational Journey

Our dedicated grade teams have thoughtfully planned curriculum-connected activities to enhance student learning and create memorable experiences for all. Field trips like these offer valuable opportunities for hands-on exploration, connection, and growth.

Your child's participation is an important part of these experiences. While we understand that illnesses and unexpected situations may arise, we encourage families to prioritize attendance whenever possible. Each student brings unique energy and insight that contributes to the overall success of the day.

In preparing for these outings, we've arranged transportation and covered costs based on full student participation. Your support in helping us plan effectively — and in ensuring your child can attend — is sincerely appreciated.

Thank you for your continued partnership in making learning engaging and meaningful for all students.

## FIELD TRIPS - Parent Volunteers Needed

Field trips are essential to enhancing students' educational experiences. To ensure the success of these outings, we require a minimum of one adult per 20 students. Parent volunteers are vital, so we kindly ask that you complete your Criminal Record Check as soon as possible. Please contact the school office for a letter to submit to the RCMP if you need assistance. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## YEAR END PLANNING - Early Dismissal

Thank you for your continued support as we approach the final days of the school year. As in previous years, and as part of our year-end procedures and final exam preparation, we will be offering early dismissal for students following their structured review sessions and on their final exam days.

This approach provides students with valuable time to rest, review, and prepare at home, supporting both well-being and success during exam week.

To help us coordinate a smooth and safe dismissal process, we ask that you please complete the Early Dismissal Permission Form for your child's grade level. These forms have been emailed directly to families, but we've also included them below for your convenience:

- [Grade 6 Early Dismissal Form – Link](#)
- [Grade 7 Early Dismissal Form – Link](#)
- [Grade 8 Early Dismissal Form – Link](#)
- [Grade 9 Early Dismissal Form – Link](#)

We appreciate your timely response and ongoing partnership in supporting your child's success and well-being during this important time.

## 25-26 NEW STUDENT REGISTRATIONS - opened March 4th

New students living within our catchment area can register online at [Registrations](#). If you have new neighbours or friends moving into our catchment area, please encourage them to register. Word of mouth is the best advertising.

## WAY OF THE WOLF (WOTW) STUDENT RECOGNITION- **Be Forgiving and Growth**

We're excited to continue celebrating our amazing students through our **Way of the Wolf (WOTW)** recognition program!

- On **June 2**, we'll be honouring students who have demonstrated the trait of **Be Forgiving** — showing compassion and grace by extending forgiveness to others.
- On **June 16**, we'll recognize students who have shown **Growth** — whether academically, socially, or emotionally.

These students will be invited to spin the WOTW prize wheel and choose a reward to celebrate their efforts.

Thank you for helping us nurture a community that reflects kindness, resilience, and personal growth!

## **FAREWELL - Students and Staff**

As June arrives, we bid farewell to staff members who will be moving on at the end of the school year. Thank you for your incredible contributions to St. Francis of Assisi Middle School. We extend our heartfelt gratitude and best wishes to the following staff members:

- **Miss Macailee Finnigan** (going to RDPSD)
- **Mr. Todd Jansen** (RETIRING!)
- **Miss Ciarra Mooney** (returning to university to complete her B.Ed.)

Your dedication and impact have made a lasting difference — you will be missed!

We also extend our heartfelt best wishes to our Grade 9 students and their families as they begin their next chapter in high school — may God guide your journey ahead! We look forward to celebrating our Grade 9 students during our Farewell Celebration on June 5th @ 5 PM at St. Mary's.

Finally, to all families who may be moving or transitioning to new communities, thank you for being a valued part of our school. You will always have a place in the St. Francis family, and we wish you blessings in the journey ahead.

## **WELCOME - Staff**

We are excited to welcome the following new team members to St. Francis of Assisi Middle School for the upcoming school year. We look forward to the gifts and energy they will bring to our community!

- Mrs. Hayley Leslie (coming from SGTG)

We also share that **Mrs. Hayley Leslie** will be on maternity leave until **November 14**, and we are currently in the process of hiring for her position. In addition, we are finalizing the hiring of **more staff members** and look forward to introducing them soon! Stay tuned for more updates as our 2025 team comes together!

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL - All Are Welcome-Mark Your Calendars!**

- Annual General Meeting will be on Monday, September 22, @ 7:00 PM
- Our next meeting will be Monday, October 27, @ 7:00 PM

## **GENERAL INFORMATION - Division Calendar**

- 2024 - 2025 school year, please click [here](#).
- 2025 - 2026 school year, please click [here](#).

## **PARENT QUICK LINKS -**

- **PowerSchool/School Engage** - [LINK](#)
- **Schoology** - [LINK](#)
- **Rycor - school fees** [LINK](#)

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## RYCOR - School Fees PAST DUE

St. Francis of Assisi Middle Mandatory School Fees are now due. \*RYCOR can only be accessed via PC/Tablet, the program does not work using the PowerSchool App

**CTF/Options Fee - \$25** This fee supports the delivery of Option Classes for all grade levels

**PAC (Parent Council) Fee - \$35** This fee supports year-end field trips, Chromebooks, school-wide activities, etc., for all grade levels

**Grade 9 Farewell Fee - \$10** (Grade 9 students only) This fee supports the celebration of our graduating Grade 9 students

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES - Mark your calendars: reminder to check the Athletics Calendar

- June 3 Grade 9 Farewell Student BBQ & Activities (afternoon)
- June 4 Grade 9 Track & Field Team @ LTCHS
- June 5 Grade 6 Track & Field Day @ LTCHS (all grade 6 students)
- June 5 Grade 9 Farewell Liturgy & Celebration @ St. Mary's 5 PM
- June 6 Grade 8 Outdoor Ed Field Trip
- June 6 Grades 7, 8, and 9 Band - Band Tour
- June 6 Summer Send Off Dance 4 - 6 PM
- June 8 Confirmation @ St. Mary's 2 PM
- June 10 Grade 6 Track & Field Day @ LTCHS RAINOUT DAY
- June 11 Grade 8 Science Exhibition of Learning (all parents welcome)
- June 12 Grades 6 & 9 PAT ELA Part B
- June 13 Grade 6 & 9 PAT MATH Part A
- June 13 Grades 7 & 8 FINAL MATH Part A
- June 13 Last day of CTF classes
- June 13 Year End Mass @ STF gym 2 PM
- June 15 Father's Day
- June 17 Grade 6 & 9 PAT Math Part B
- June 17 Grade 7 Field Trip
- June 18 Grades 6 & 9 PAT Social
- June 18 Grade 8 Field Trip
- June 19 Grades 6 & 9 PAT Science
- June 21 National Indigenous Peoples' Day
- June 23 Grades 7 & 8 FINAL ELA Part B
- June 24 Grades 7 & 8 FINAL Math Part B
- June 25 Grades 7 & 8 FINAL Social
- June 26 Grades 7 & 8 FINAL Science
- June 26 Last Day
- June 27 - Aug 27 SUMMER BREAK
- August 28 First Day of School for students

We thank you for your support and are so grateful to work together with you. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, or suggestions on enhancing our school community.

We wish you a summer filled with **rest, joy, and meaningful moments with family and friends**. May it be a time of renewal and reflection, and we look forward to welcoming you back in the fall, refreshed and ready for another great year together!

Yours in Christ,

Mrs. Rori-Lynn Daniel  
Principal

Mr. Kelly Jacobson  
Vice-Principal

Mrs. Kathleen Robinson  
Vice-Principal

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