## WEEKLY NEWS

St. Paul Catholic Elementary School: Principal Memo

#### CALENDAR

Monday 9

First Full Week of School!

GATE Cohort 2/3 begins

- Tuesday 10
- Wednesday 11
- Thursday 12

Early Dismissal @ 12:10 PM

"Get the Scoop"- Meet the Teacher @ 6PM

Friday 13



#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is our first week back and it has been nothing short of amazing! Our students returned with a renewed energy and enthusiasm that is truly heartwarming. The dedication and commitment to learning displayed by each and every one of them is inspiring.

We have had the privilege of witnessing their joy for learning this week and we are confident that this year holds great promise for each student at our school.

We would like to express our gratitude to our exceptional staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure a smooth start to the school year.









Next week, we will be hosting our "Get the Scoop" (Meet the Teacher) evening on Thursday, from 6-7:30 PM. Please see invite attached. We hope you can make it!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Carr-Jeschke & Mrs. McNamee

#### **Healthy Hunger - Reminder**

Need to order by Wednesday September 11, 2024, to get Monday's lunch!

- Healthy Hunger begins Monday September 16th.
- Healthy Hunger will be twice a week, on Mondays & Fridays
- All parents must register their children to take part in ordering hot lunch. To create an account amd to register your child, please click <u>HERE</u>.
- Please note that all lunch orders need to be place
  5 days prior to the scheduled lunch date.

#### **School Fees**

The Supplemental Education Fee for 2024-2025 is \$50.00 for Grades 1-6 and \$30.00 for Kindergarten. School fees will be posted to PowerSchool accounts on September 16, 2024.

St. Paul will continue to collect additional funds on a strictly cost recovery basis for optional supplemental educational activities in the following categories: Extra-curricular teams/clubs, field trips, activity costs (special activities, residencies) and costs for extraordinary consumables.

The fees offset the cost of mandatory, non-curricular or co-curricular activities and resources that enhance the educational experience. All payments will need to be made online through your PowerSchool account using your credit or debit.



#### **PowerSchool**

Families are able to access PowerSchool through the link <u>HERE</u>. If your family is new to PowerSchool, you will need to set up a login and password. If you are unable to set up your PowerSchool, please contact Mrs. Lee in the office for support.

#### Milk Sales



Milk Club will start on Monday September 23, 2024. Milk will be available to students on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at lunch. In order to participate, students are required to purchase a milk card for \$10.00, which will allow them to receive 8-250ml cartons of chocolate or white milk. Milk cards can be purchased through PowerSchool on the storefront beginning September 16, 2024.

#### Please Help Keep our School Zone Safe!



A gentle reminder to please slow down and keep our school zone safe. Our neighbourhood can get quite congested with traffic during peak hours, so please help keep our school community safe by following posted signage and speed limits.

#### **Cross Country Run**

We are excited for the 34th Annual ECSD Cross Country run that will be taking place on Monday, September 23, 2024. Students will have the opportunity to sign up next week. Mrs. Dent will be meeting with all interested students next week, at which time a Field Trip form will be coming home. All registered students will be bussed to the event, and parents are responsible for pick up at Rundle Park. Parents, please be there by 4:30PM or join us to cheer on the participants! Races begin at 3 PM. Please note this event is open to students aged 8 and older.





#### **NEW School Messenger**

Edmonton Catholic Schools uses the SchoolMessenger SafeArrival system to **report student absences**. This technology helps reduce the time needed to verify attendance and ensures families are quickly notified in the event of unexpected absences.

You can report your child's absence with SchoolMessenger using one of the following methods —24 hours a day, seven days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

To create your account, please use the same email address and phone number that you use for PowerSchool.

#### Using your existing PowerSchool Parent

- 1.Log into the <u>PowerSchool</u> using your existing account.
- 2. Click on the SchoolMessenger Icon in the left-hand menu to sign into the SchoolMessenger website.
- 3. Select the Attendance Menu, then Report an Absence.

#### On your mobile device:

- 1.On your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the <u>Apple App Store</u>, the <u>Google Play Store</u>, or by <u>clicking here</u>.
- 2. When you open the app for the first time, select Sign Up to create your account,
- 3. Select Attendance, followed by Report an Absence.

#### Prayer for a New School Year

Gracious God, as the summer begins to fade, new possibilities lie on the horizon. May this school year be a time of grace and potential as we learn, share and challenge one another to grow in faith, knowledge and wisdom. Bless our staff, students and families as we settle into a new school year together. May our minds be open to learning and to the wonder of discovery and insight. Be with us always.

Amen.

# ST. PAUL SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO

GET THE SCOOP!



JOIN ST. PAUL STAFF THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH FROM 6-7:30PM.

MEET YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER, VIEW THE CLASSOOM, CONNECT AND ENJOY A TREAT!

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

### **TERRY FOX RUN**



**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2024** 

1:30-2:30PM

ST. PAUL/CRESTWOOD SCHOOL FIELDS

Join us outside as St. Paul "Runs for Terry" and cancer research. Donations can be made to the Terry Fox Foundation either through cash delivered to school or online at:

**DONATE ONLINE HERE** 

OR BRING A TOONIE FOR TERRY!