



ST. GERARD SCHOOL

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June 1st – June 5th, 2020

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| Monday, June 1st | Day 6 |
| ❖ Mme Adeline & Mme Renée -no office hours today | |
| Tuesday, June 2nd | Day 1 |
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| Wednesday, June 3rd | Day 2 |
| ❖ #WhyWednesday on CCSD Facebook | |
| Thursday, June 4th | Day 3 |
| ❖ Daily physical activity – what did you do to move & groove? | |
| Friday, June 5th | Day 4 |
| ❖ TGIF | |

Dear Parents,

We should all be very proud of the work done the past few months to get us to this final month of school. In the next four weeks, we will finish up online delivery of your child(ren)'s current grade(s), we will have an opportunity to watch Father Tran's live-streamed Year End liturgy, and we will have our own final liturgy and Farewell celebration. We will all be able to look back and say that we got through this together one day at a time.

Words that come to mind include strength, perseverance, resilience, kindness, safety, support and faith. Our student and parent community continue to strengthen and encourage each of us here at St. Gerard School! We face a lot of unknowns as we look to how school re-entry will be in September. The province and district will move forward with the safety and wellbeing of students and staff in mind. Your support and positivity continues to empower us to do the best that we can for you and your children.

God Bless,

Christine Hooey



Important Numbers from CSS Family & Community Safety:

For the latest updates on services, supports, or resources: follow on twitter: @AlbertaCSS

Family Violence Info Line: call 310-1818, 24/7 in over 170 languages.

Info. On the Gov't of AB's response to COVID-19:

Alberta.ca/COVID19



Please find attached the Grace Newsletter for the month of May. It is filled with lots of inspiring stories based on our Catholic Faith.



School Supplies — Order forms to be sent home by email on Monday, June 1st:

We are moving forward with school supply orders for 2020-21 with School Start. With September plans uncertain at this time, we have decided to have all orders sent to your home (not the school). There is a \$6.50 delivery charge per *family*. We encourage you to reuse items in good condition that you currently have. You always have the option to use the list to purchase the items yourself at local stores. Please CLEARLY label each item to

help us keep track of your child's belongings. (We would encourage you to also label coats, lunch kids, shoes, books, gym strip etc.).



URGENT CALL TO ACTION

Official Languages in Education Protocol (OLEP) Funding Formula Change and the Impact to French Second Language Programs Alberta Education recently made changes to the OLEP Funding Formula for 2019/20 as well as changes to the formula for the 2020/21 school year. This will negatively impact French

Immersion and French Second Language Programs (11.5% to 27% cuts in funds). What is important to understand is that the total OLEP funding amount has not changed, but how it is distributed has. Please see the attachment for more information and what you can do to help!

French Resources—Interested in more resources to support French language learning and French culture?

[Canadian Parents for French](#) provides an extensive list of websites, activities, movies, worksheets, tours and more for students of all levels. [Alliance Française Calgary](#) provides opportunities for children and adults to practice their French and enjoy French cultural events in our area.

Social Distance Visit!

Thanks for the visit this week Correa Family! While practicing physical distancing, Mme. Hooey and Mme. Kelly both appreciated seeing the smiling faces of some of our students! Pictures or videos of your smiling faces saying hello are always appreciated!



Lost and Found — There are still several pairs of shoes/boots as well as a bin full of jackets, mitts etc. that do not have a home. We also have a few headsets that were also left behind. If you see anything that belongs to you, we encourage you to pick them up by June 19th. We have now gone through everything that we have and taken photos. Please look [here](#) at the photos to see if anything belongs to you. Contact the school if you recognize something of yours so we can put your name on it and arrange pick-up. Thank-you.

Progress Reports — Progress reports will still be issued at the end of the year. However, given our current learning at home situation, this will involve a secure emailing of a code to access your child's progress report through School Messenger. **If you have recently made a change to your email address, please let the school know so we can ensure this email is received.** Progress reports will include subject area marks for the following courses:

- For kindergarten, the format and grading systems will remain the same, with areas of focus on literacy, numeracy, and religion. The use of the asterisk will denote areas not assessed.
- For elementary, standard grading systems will continue to be used on the progress report, with **new term 3 assessments for only FLA, LA, Math and Religion**. All other courses will have term 2 marks continued.

Work habits were not assessed in term 3 for any grade level. A comment will appear on the progress report to indicate the learning at home environment due to the COVID pandemic. Comments about student learning will only be issued for assessed subject areas.

We continue to appreciate your support during this time and welcome any questions regarding the progress report process.

The most recent Connections newsletter can be found at ccsinfo.ca/Connections_June2020