



ST. GERARD SCHOOL

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Mar. 23rd, 2020 – Mar. 27th, 2020

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Monday, March 23rd	Day 1
❖ Online teaching & learning is ready to go. Make sure to start a routine for school days.	
Tuesday, March 24th	Day 2
Wednesday, March 25th	Day 3
Thursday, March 26th	Day 4
Friday, March 27th	Day 5

Dear Parents,

For the time being any scheduled activities from now through the end of the school year are either postponed or cancelled all together. We will continue to send weekly notices to you all for as long as possible, but they will be different. The Weekly Message will now include how our teachers/staff will be communicating with you on a go forward basis. We truly appreciate your patience & understanding as we work together with the Calgary Catholic School Board to deliver online learning to all of you. These are challenging times for all of us but step by step, day by day, we will get through this school year. Currently many of our teachers are working from home. The office staff continues to be at the school daily. Please see below for how teachers will be communicating with you. If you have any questions regarding logging in to these platforms, please either contact your teacher directly by email or call the office at 403-500-2028.

The school has been very quiet this week & we miss the laughter of all our students. Please stay safe at home with your loved ones. Take care & God Bless.

Great News!! St. Gerard School will remain open for the 2020-2021 School year!!

On Wed. March 18, you would have received a letter from our Superintendent, Area South Schools, confirming that the school closure consideration process for St. Gerard School has now ended, and that the school will continue operations for the 2020-2021 school year. We are all very thankful for our school community's support & patience as this process has unfolded. We are continuing to accept new registrations for the 2020-2021 school year, and we look forward to continuing to work with our families in the fall.



Did you know? On Friday, March 20, before starting our formal PD day, the teaching staff took time to pray the rosary, focusing on the Sorrowful Mysteries. It was a way to acknowledge what is going on in our world and anchor ourselves in our faith before we started our learning. Our intention for May at school was to do the rosary daily with our students, and some teachers had already started teaching about the rosary. If you do not do it already, can you take some time each day for family prayer time? It is a great way to ground ourselves in our faith and can help our children feel reassured, knowing God is there.

Online Learning:

All students have an @learn.cssd.ab.ca email where they can access their email and other Google Apps.

Ask your child their username and password. Grades 1-6 will be using this email regularly.

Mme Polly – polly.moody@cssd.ab.ca

Learning Platform: Seesaw

Mme Celine: celine.danis@cssd.ab.ca

Learning Platform: Seesaw

Mme Romaine: romaine.impele@cssd.ab.ca

Learning Platform: Seesaw & Google Classroom

Mme Renee: renee.digout@cssd.ab.ca

Learning Platform: Seesaw & Google Classroom

Mme Campbell & Mme Tardif: amy.campbell@cssd.ab.ca & sylvie.tardif@cssd.ab.ca

Learning Platform: Seesaw & Google Classroom

Mme Hooey: christine.hooey@cssd.ab.ca

Learning Platform: Google Classroom (Music 6/5)

Please note any due dates on assignments. Please look for any rubrics explaining evaluation criteria. Formative assessment (to improve work before final mark is assigned) will take the form of comments as to how students can improve their work, or encourage deeper thinking, broader vocabulary etc.

Picking up belongings- Monday March 23rd

Earlier this week an email regarding pick-up of student belongings. As of today, this is still scheduled to happen. We are asking only one parent to please come in the school – no students. All items have been packed, bag labelled and placed in the students' respective boot rooms. Please take bag & indoor shoes.

Time	Family Name starting with...and including...
9:00-9:15	A
9:15-9:30	B & C
9:30-9:45	D-F
9:45-10:00	G & H
10:00-10:15	J & K
10:15-10:30	L
10:30-10:45	Ma
10:45-11:00	Mc-Mu
11:00-11:15	N-P
11:15-11:30	R-S
11:30-11:45	T-Z



Dear Parents,

This is a quick update from your Parent Council. We are overjoyed that we have another year to look forward to! With the Spell-a-thon fundraiser, we would normally pay for Gr6/5 Skiing trip, Additional Field trips, Teacher Appreciation, Year-End BBQ and K & Gr6 Yearbooks. With the Skiing trip cancelled, and these uncertain times, we don't know how many events we will still need to finance, and as such, appreciate your support with the Spell-a-thon. Any money we do not use this year, we will use next year. Perhaps even Fundraising only if we need to next year. We are also looking into investing in advertising to try and boost enrollment. In the coming months, once the social distancing is over, we will need several volunteers to go door-to-door with flyers, covering a few communities in our catchment area. If you can't donate monetarily, please consider donating your time. We are all in this together, and we will figure this out together. Stay healthy.

Warm Regards, Maria Correa