



ST. WILLIAM SCHOOL



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CALGARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



Week at a Glance

WEEK OF: September 17 – 21, 2018

MON - 17

DAY 4

- Admazing books deadline
- Conference Manager opens at 8:00 a.m. for Friday interview times

TUES - 18

DAY 5

- Grade 3 Swimming – 2:15 p.m.

WED - 19

DAY 6

- Terry Fox Run & Walk – 9:00 a.m.

THURS - 20

DAY 1

- QSP Fundraiser Kickoff at 9:30 a.m.
- Grade 3 Swimming – 2:15 p.m.
- Parent Teacher Conferences: Orientations 4:30, 5:30 or 6:30 p.m.

FRI - 21

DAY n/a

- No School for Students
- Parent Teacher Conferences: Orientation 9:00 a.m.; individual Interviews (at parent request) 10 – 12:00 & 1 – 3:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Thank you for your support of the School Council Ice Cream Social & Cake Walk! Many delicious baked items were donated – THANK YOU! Everyone had a great time, and are looking forward to next year's event already!
- We will be collecting "Toonies for Terry" on Wednesday – all donations will be given to the Cancer Foundation in Terry's name.
- The School Council will be holding a planning meeting for the upcoming 50th Anniversary Celebration on Thursday October 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. Please join us and share ideas about how the School Council can be involved in this event!
- "Admazing Books" have been sent home with all students. Funds raised from this mini-fundraiser will go to supporting classroom activities. Orders are due by: **September 17, 2018**
- An email went home regarding the changes to Sacramental Preparation at St. Cecilia Church – please make sure you read it carefully. Children will now be receiving First Reconciliation before they receive First Holy Communion. All questions and concerns should be directed to the Pastoral Centre: 403-218-5500

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Parent Teacher Interviews** – Conference Manager will be live on Monday Sept. 17 at 8:00 a.m. <https://stwilliam.schoolsoft.com/login.jsf?jsessionid=E3E264E1EA4B48DC170C73F4FDA8903A>



FUN LUNCHES!!!

- Our first Fun Lunch will be on **Friday Sept 28, 2018**. We will be having lunch delivered from **Little Caesars**. **Deadline for ordering is Sunday Sept 23**. Please order through Healthy Hunger www.healthyhunger.ca
- We are looking for volunteers to help at our Fun Lunches too! Can you help? It only takes about 30 minutes of your time on the Fun Lunch Day! Please sign up at: www.volunteersignup.org/JHAMX
- Remember – if you have not completed the volunteer orientation, you will need to complete it online first! <https://www.cssd.ab.ca/schools/stwilliam/Parents/Volunteer/Pages/default.aspx>
- **Subway** lunch order forms are due by October 3. Unfortunately, late orders cannot be accepted. Thanks!



STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE/COVERAGE

The district provides free accident insurance to eligible students. Full-time students are automatically covered for injuries sustained while attending classes, during school sanctioned trips and during school activities. Evenings, weekends and holidays are excluded, except in the event of a school activity.

Medical and/or dental expenses incurred as a result of injury may be reimbursed after all other sources of insurance (such as provincial health and the parents' employer insurance) are exhausted. Information on this blanket coverage can be found at:

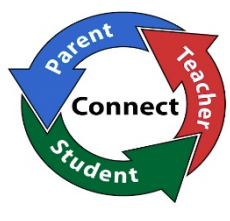
<https://www.cssd.ab.ca/Parents/StudentAccidentInsurance/Pages/default.aspx>



READING WITH YOUR CHILD

Reading books aloud to **children** stimulates **their** imagination and expands **their** understanding of the world. It helps them develop language and listening skills and prepares them to understand the written word. Sharing stories, talking and singing every day helps your **child's** development in lots of ways. **Reading** and sharing stories can: help your **child** get to know sounds, words and language, and develop early literacy skills. ... help your **child's** brain, social skills and communication skills develop. Reading builds vocabulary and understanding. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding when they listen, which is vital as they start to read. It's important for them to understand how stories work too.

For more information: <https://www.all4kids.org/2017/03/03/importance-reading-children/>



PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Traditionally, our first set of interviews are an opportunity for parents to meet the teachers and find out what the expectations are for the school year. Parents receive the classroom handbook and review it with their child's classroom teacher. In grades 1 to 6, we are going to pilot an "orientation style" opportunity this year in September only. We are going to ask parents to choose one session to attend, meet the teacher, hear what the expectations are and have the chance to ask questions. These sessions will run on September 20 at 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. For parents who cannot attend Thursday evening, there will be one session on Friday September 21 at 9:00 a.m. The rest of the day Friday is open for parents to book a personal interview time if you feel that you need to talk further with the teacher. To book an individual appointment on Friday, please use conference manager:

<https://stwilliam.schoolsoft.com/login.jsf;jsessionid=E3E264E1EA4B48DC170C73F4FDA8903A>

You do not need to register for the sessions on Thursday evening or Friday morning – please feel free to join us at a scheduled time that is convenient for you.

As we have just finished staggered entry and the kindergarten orientations, Kindergarten will be holding an open house on the evening of September 20 from 4:30 -7:30 p.m., and parents are welcome to drop in to meet with the teacher about how the start up of the year has been. There will be no sessions at all on Friday for kindergarten, as Mrs. D needs to be at a District meeting for all kindergarten teachers.



CLASSROOM WEBSITES

Teachers Websites and Google Classrooms are currently under construction. We will let you know as they are up and running! Thanks for your patience and understanding as we start a new school year!

Kindergarten is ready!

<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/kindergartenwithmrsd/home>



- The link to Connections on our district website (under News/[News Updates](#)) is: http://bit.ly/Connections_Sept2018



- Visit the St. William School Website: <https://www.cssd.ab.ca/schools/stwilliam/Pages/default.aspx>
- Check the district website calendar regularly for updated events posted on the calendar!