



ST. WILLIAM SCHOOL




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CALGARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



Week at a Glance

WEEK OF: January 7 - 11, 2019

MON - 7 DAY 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Back! First day back after the Christmas break 
TUES - 8 DAY 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. William Feast Day Celebration – Carving Inuksuk's! Subway Lunch!  
WED - 9 DAY 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
THURS - 10 DAY 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
FRI - 11 DAY 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Staff Parking Lot / Parent Kiss and Ride Lot** – Parents/guardians, please remember that during the hours that the school is open (8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) the Staff parking lot should not be used by anyone other than staff. We are have had some near misses which are serious safety concerns that include people driving too fast, and drivers not being aware of staff members getting out of their cars, or staff cars coming into, or leaving the lot. Please make sure that when using our Kiss and Ride Lot on the south side of the school, you are watching for people crossing between the cars as well. Thank you.
- From the School Council** – Thank you to all the **volunteers** who made our annual Kids' Christmas Market a success. The boys and girls had so much fun shopping for Christmas gifts!
- From the Catholic Community of Caring Team** – Thank you to the extremely generous St. William School Community who raised 640 pounds of non-perishable food items for our food drive for St. Vincent de Paul Society (St. Cecilia Chapter). They were so grateful that your generosity goes to helping families in need. **THANK YOU!!!**
- From the Catholic Community of Caring Team** – St. William's feast day celebration is fast approaching. On January 8th, each student will be carving a soapstone inuksuk. To help with this wonderful activity, we are in need of 1-3 volunteers for each class. Please follow the link to volunteer. www.volunteersignup.org/3CD8K Thank you!

LOOKING AHEAD

- Classes resume on Monday January 7, 2019.
- St. William Feast Day – Tuesday January 8, 2019. Students will be creating inuksuk's that will be used to decorate for our 50th Anniversary Celebration!
The next General School Council Meeting will be on Jan. 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

FUN LUNCHES!!!

- The next Subway lunch will be on **Tuesday Jan. 8, 2019.**
- There will be a Fun Lunch on **Thurs. Jan. 24, 2019.** We will be having lunch delivered from **Edo!** **Deadline for ordering is Sunday Jan. 20.** Please order through Healthy Hunger www.healthyhunger.ca
- We are looking for volunteers to help at all of 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>





CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CARING

Every school in the Calgary Catholic School District is part of the Catholic Community of Caring (CCC). For the next few weeks we will introduce you to the CCC, and describe the core values we act, learn, live and celebrate by. Last week we talked about **Champions**.

Student resilience

Resilience is the ability to adapt to the challenges that may include stress, tragedy, trauma, threats, setbacks and loss. By developing resilience, we can better manage stress or feelings of anxiety and uncertainty. The ability to work together, navigate resources and thrive despite these challenges arises from skills of resilience.

CCSD Brochure: [Resilience: Adapting to life's challenges](#)

Taken from our District website:

<https://www.cssd.ab.ca/AboutUs/CatholicCommunityofCaring/Pages/default.aspx>



BRAIN GAMES FOR FAMILIES

- What if I told you there is a way for your children to become better thinkers, keep their eyeballs healthy and build social skills all at the same time? Brain games will do just that! Brain games for kids are an essential part of the parenting toolkit. They fill the time while waiting in line, driving in the car, or those sticky moments when you can't just let your kid be bored without chaos raining down. Sure, an electronic brain game on the phone or tablet might do the trick, but these screen-free brain games that boost quick thinking skills are different! A few of these games can be played solo, but most require at least one other partner, which means kids are working on social skills as they navigate the ins and out of cooperation and competition. Check out: <https://www.whatdowedoallday.com/brain-games-for-kids/> for lots of games you can play with your kids!

Here are a sample of games you can try!

Rapid Fire. In 30 seconds say as many words that start with one letter as you can. Optional Challenge: restrict the words by category.

Hink Pink. Hink Pinks are rhyming word puzzles. One person thinks of a two word rhyme and gives a two word description. The other player then must guess the "Hink Pink." For example, if one person says, "angry boy", the other player responds, "mad lad." Or, "wet canine" becomes "soggy doggy."

Human Thesaurus. Choose a simple word like "beautiful." Think of as many synonyms as you can. If playing with others, you can set a timer and trade off with different words, or write words down and see who can come up with the most. **HAVE FUN!**



CALGARY'S CHILD MAGAZINE

- **2019 JAN/FEB EDUCATION & WINTER FUN!**

In addition to our regular departments, this issue features our Winter/Spring Birthday and Education Guides, plus our Winter/Spring Class & Program and Winter Survival Features. We have included snow much fun for families! Happy Reading!

To read our latest issue, visit calgaryschild.com and click on our issue cover or access directly by clicking on this link: <https://calgaryschild.com/current-issue/>



CLASSROOM WEBSITES

Teachers Websites and Google Classrooms are up and running!

Many of our teachers are also using Google Classrooms to communicate directly with their classes only. These sites are private and accessed only by invitation to the class members students and their families.

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

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<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/grade12018-19/welcome>

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<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/grade23website/home>

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<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/mrsfgrade4/home>

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<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/mrslapinskie4and5s/home>

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<https://sites.google.com/learn.cssd.ab.ca/ms-zahavichs-grade-56-class/home>



- The link to Connections on our district website (under News/[News Updates](#)) is: http://bit.ly/Connections_Dec2018



- 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!