

## December 2 2022 Quick Snapper



### Merry Christmas Market

The Merry Christmas Market was a great success this week on Wednesday evening. There were 18+ vendors selling beautiful creations and we served approximately 246 turkey dinners! The Saint James Choir provided live Christmas Carols. Thanks to everyone for making it such a great event.



Mark your calendars, **December 22 @ 7pm** our SJS students will perform *'A Christmas Yarn'* at the **Performing Art Centre**. The halls are ringing with the sounds of our students preparing for what will be a Christmas Concert like no other. This event is by donation and is open to everyone. No tickets will be sold in advance. A minimum donation of \$5 per seat is recommended.



Today has been a lot of fun as the students enjoyed **'Break the Rule Day'** (non-uniform, stuffed companions and hot chocolate!)

This was a fundraiser organized by Grade 4.



## News from the Office

- **Poinsettias** for sale! \$15 each or 2/\$25. Please contact the office if you would like to purchase one. We have both red & white available.
- We are selling beautiful greeting cards designed by our students in the office. Drop in and check them out!
- If your **child will be absent from school**, please **contact the office @250.542.4081 or email [office@stjamesvernon.com](mailto:office@stjamesvernon.com)** This will assure your child is accounted for in a timely fashion and eliminates the office from making calls home.
- **It's COLD!** Please send your children with warm outdoor clothing every day. This includes a warm coat, hat, gloves and snowpants.



### **REMINDER: Second Annual "Spirit of Giving"**

**What?** Let's REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE! We'd like to **collect and sell gently used items** from within our school community. Decluttering or getting rid of stuff? Bring it to us! This pre-Christmas initiative will allow students the opportunity to *give, think of others* and *shop!*

### **BRING IN YOUR ITEMS!**

**When?** Collection will take place the week of Monday December 5th.

The sale will take place Monday December 12th and Tuesday December 13th.

**What?** Selling gently used, in good condition toys/games/books/ stuffies/items would like to pass along; things kids and families love. Items will be sold for 1\$, 2\$, 5\$, 10\$ depending.

**Where?** Bring your reusable items from home into the school and place them in the collection box provided for your classroom. Sales will happen in the library during library time.

**Why?** Reduce, reuse, recycle and to create affordable gift giving!!

Thank you for thinking of others, helping our environment by reusing items, gift giving and bringing smiles, joy, excitement to our students!!

Money raised would be divided between all the classes for the classroom teacher to deliver a Christmas celebration of their choosing!



### **Take Home Supper (THS):**

At this time, the THS is taking a hiatus over the month of December. The THS program will be evaluated during this time to determine its future. For all our SJS, Parish and Fellow supporters, THANK YOU, we are truly grateful for your continuous support, week after week and month after month. Your smiling faces while coming to pick up your weekly supper will be missed. If you are interested in being a consistent and reliable volunteer for the THS program, please let the office know. This will help us in determining the future of the program.

## Dec 5-9 School events

- Tuesday, Dec 6
  - SJS Christmas Choir to Schubert Centre
- Wednesday, Dec 7
  - SJS Christmas Choir to Abbeyfield House
- Friday, Dec 9
  - SJS School Mass 9:00am

## News from our Church:

### St. Joseph's Parish Armstrong and St. Anne's Parish Enderby Advent Retreats

**Deacon Paul** will be the Retreat Leader. **Advent Retreat Theme: Holy Moments** a time to discern and prepare for the nativity of our Saviour, Jesus Christ and to continue to build our relationship with the Saviour, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit

**St Joseph's Parish Armstrong Retreat** - December 5th and 6th @ 7:00pm

**St. Ann's Parish Enderby Retreat** - December 5th and 6th @ 2:30pm

K of C 4949 is selling Christmas cards at the school office. **10 cards \$10.00**

**Knights Of Columbus** St. James Council 4949 invites you: **December 11th** at the Parish Centre. **Pancake Breakfast** between 8:30am-10:30am by donation (Debit and Credit machine available)  
\*Special visit from Santa Claus 9:30am -10:30am

## Upcoming events:

Dec 5: Collection of gently used items for 2nd Annual Spirit of Giving  
Dec 11: Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast (special visitor)  
Dec 12: Second Annual "Spirit of Giving"  
Dec 13: Second Annual "Spirit of Giving"  
Dec 16: Spirit Day - Christmas Colour  
Dec 16: Uniform Sale - new & gently used  
Dec 22: SJS Christmas Concert at the Vernon Performing Arts Centre

Attachment: December Hot Lunch menu