

Quick Snapper February 3, 2023

This week we celebrated our monthly Wednesday school Mass. Father Peter asked some very special helpers how to spell the word "*Family*" and told them what it stands for...."*Father and Mother I Love You!*"

February is the month of the Holy Family and it is good to thank God everyday for our loving families.

We also welcomed some special groups into our school on Wednesday morning as we hosted our second playgroup of the year and our Ready Set Learn program for our new Kindergarten students. We are thrilled to announce we already have **20 registrations** for our September 2023 Kindergarten class....so if you know somebody wanting a seat please send them our way soon! Thank you to the Ready Set Learn team: Mrs. Routley, Ms. Wournell, Mrs. Hamm, Mrs Kelly and Mrs. Hamm for doing such a great job!



Reregistration for 2023/2024

Reregistration packages have been sent home, please return ASAP. **Please spread the word about all of the great things happening at St. James School as we still have room in some of our classrooms for this current school year. We are offering test drives to potential new students who may be interested in joining our school!**

CGL - Catholic Girls League

Next meeting February 21, in the Library 2:45pm - 4:00pm

Candy Grams - Grade 2 fundraiser

The Grade 2 class is selling **Candygram bags @ \$2.00 per bag**. All proceeds will be donated to the local Food bank. Place your Candygram bag **order by February 9th**, and **receive your Candygram bag on February 14th**. Order form is attached.

SJ Early Learning Centre

St. James Early Learning Centre has limited full day (no half day option) **spaces available for Pro D day care** as well as **full day Spring Break**. Fun activities at the centre as well as a couple of outings to surrounding playgrounds. 2 snacks and lunches will need to be supplied by parents.

Spaces are limited and will be given on a first come first served basis. Cost is \$45/day.

Please contact Alana, the Early Learning Centre manager at: sjelc@stjamesvernon.com for more information.

***Please note there are several spaces available for the EXTENDED after school care program that runs out of the Early Learning Centre. (Daily indoor supervision from 3:15-5:30pm for an additional charge).**

Uniform Coordinator Needed We would like to thank Chauna Lutz for all of her years of service as our uniform coordinator. With her son graduating this year, we are looking for our next superstar parent coordinator! Please let the office know if you can take on this role...ideally for a few years. We will help train you! Thanks again Chauna!

SOS Hours - 268.5 hours recorded to date!

Have you volunteered for a field trip, helped with the Terry Fox run, been involved with One on One Reading, maybe assisted in the Kitchen, helped with mending or the Book Fair? All opportunities are eligible towards your 20 hour commitment. Be sure to email soshours@stjamesvernon.com with your volunteer hours.

Kitchen Volunteers....needed for February

Please sign up if you can help support our Hot Lunch Program in February. Thank you so much to those who have already signed up. We have several spots still available to fill.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4fada82ca0fa7-january5/60244142#/>

Vernon Viper Game

Tickets are now on sale for the SJS Community Builder Vernon Viper's Game on Family Day (February 20 at 2:00pm at Kal Tire Place). You can e-transfer your ticket order to the office and we will deliver your tickets to you a week or so before the game!

E-transfer: payments@stjamesvernon.com

Adults \$16

Students \$5

Upcoming Community Builders: Please join us and meet some new people!

Men's Floor Hockey Sign Up....more dads needed!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4FADA82CA0FA7-mens>

Ladies Zumba Sign Up....we have room for many more ladies to attend!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4fada82ca0fa7-zumba#/>

Vernon Winter Carnival Family Fling....tickets are going Fast! Don't delay!

Make wonderful memories with your family!

WHEN: Friday Feb. 10

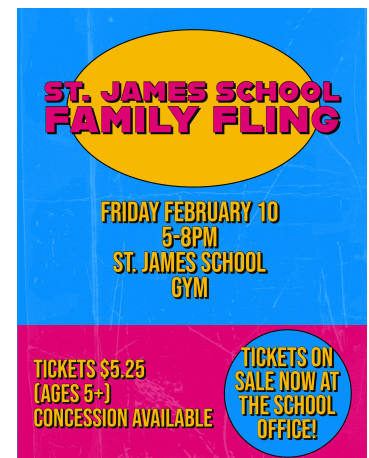
WHERE: St. James School

Tickets are \$5.25 per person ages 5+ (ages 0-4 FREE)

Tickets are **NOW ON SALE** at the school office or the Winter Carnival office.

Grade 6 & 7 Students to walk in the Vernon Winter Carnival Parade - Theme - "Carnival of TV"

The parade starts Saturday February 4th at noon but we will meet up between 10:30-11:00am. A map was sent home with the students as to where we will meet. We are entry #31 out of 83 entries. Students will need to be picked up at Dollarama on 43 Avenue immediately following the parade.



Catholic Schools Week 2023 at St. James School

Saturday Feb. 4

Grade 6/7 students walk in the Vernon Winter Carnival Parade at noon

Sunday Feb. 5

K of C pancake breakfast

Our Lady of the Valley 10:30am MASS - **we would love to have many SJS families and staff in attendance**

Monday Feb. 6

Kick off Catholic Schools Assembly 8:40am

Ishmael spear-it new name contest kick-off

Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Day

Students wear orange shirts

Students create murals based on the Four Food Chiefs

Grades K/1 intramurals

Men's floor hockey community builder (6:30-8:00pm)

Tuesday Feb. 7

Art day

Door decorating day

Monochromatic color day - students dress in 1 color!

Grades 2/3 intramurals

Ladies ZUMBA with Sareena community builder (3:00-4:30pm)

Wednesday Feb. 8

Wacky Wednesday assembly 8:40am

Drive through muffin and coffee for parents

Teacher Swap!

Grades 4/5 intramurals

Boys (home) basketball game

Thursday Feb. 9

Indigenous Game Circuit in the gym

Sports day dress up theme

Grades 6/7 intramurals

Girls (away) basketball game

Friday February 10

Ishmael spear-it new name reveal!

Dress up as your favourite book character

Teachers vs. teachers intramurals

Family Fling (family dance) 5-8pm

Saturday February 11

Closing Mass St. James Church 5:00 pm

Upcoming Events

February 4 - Grade 6/7 students in the Vernon Winter Carnival Parade
February 5 - K of C Pancake Breakfast
February 5 - 10:30am MASS at OLOV - **we would love to have many SJS families and staff in attendance!**
February 5 -11 Catholic Schools Week Celebrations
February 10 - Family Fling (5-8pm in the gym)
February 14 - Candygrams; Spirit Day - wear pink/red/white
February 15 - Special Guest speaker -Mrs. Helen Sidney (Assembly 8:40 am-9:10am)
February 17 - **ProD DAY - NO SCHOOL**
February 20 - **NO SCHOOL - Family Day** Community Builder - Vipers Game 2:00pm Kal Tire Place
February 21 - CGL meeting in Library
February 22 - Pink Shirt Day
February 22 - Ash Wednesday Mass 9:00am & Playgroup 8:30-10:00am
February 22 - Boys zone basketball tournament (location TBD starting at 3pm)...more information to come
February 23 - Girls zone basketball tournament (location TBD starting at 3pm)...more information to come
February 24/25 - Boys basketball tournament in Kamloops (OLPH)
February 27 - PSG meeting 3:30-4:25pm in the grade 2 classroom
February 27 - LSC meeting 6:00pm
March 2 - Fill the Valley (an hour of praise and worship music) OLOV - 6-7:00pm

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY APRIL 22 "A NIGHT AT THE ST. JAMES SALOON" - Pub night event 19+
With special musical guest STEVE SMITH
Presented by the SJS Parent Support Group (PSG)



Attachment:

Candygram order form - Grade 2 Fundraiser