



## Dear SJS Parents

Our school has begun to prepare for the Season of Hope and Expectation, Advent. The Grade 4 class created stunning Advent wreaths made of beautiful cedars, candles, pine cones and kinikinik. The radiance upon the Grade 4 student faces spoke volumes on the impact of Mrs Durfeld's annual Advent wreath making, had on her students. Kindergarten experienced their first field trip of the year, to the Okanagan Science centre. The excitement was apparent as they set off on their excursion. Their BIG rosy cheeks and smiles on their return were paramount.

## Nov 30 - Dec 4 School events

### ❖ November 30

- Spirit day - PJ day for the whole school
- **CANCELLED** 2:45pm - 3:30pm Grade 6/7 boys Volleyball
- Pick up Purdy and Poinsettia orders (School gym) 2:45pm - 4:00pm

### ❖ December 1 - no events

### ❖ December 2

- 12:25pm - 12:55pm Grade 5 boys & girls Volleyball
- 2:45pm - 3:30pm Grade 6/7 Liturgical dance in Grade 7

### ❖ December 3

- 2:45pm - 3:30pm Grade 6/7 girls Volleyball

### ❖ December 4

- Marsville event - Grade 6

## **Walk with Jesus Our Living Hope:**

May **Hope, Peace, Joy and Love** be present in us all, as we enter into Advent

## **News from the Office:**

Letter from Mr Rossetti November 27 2020 - please see attachment

## **Personal devices:**

### **Personal use of electronic devices while at School:**

In accordance with CISKD policy, we expect that all personal electronic devices brought to school are used for academic use only and as directed by teaching staff while supervised. Devices brought to school for personal reasons, including contact with family, are to be kept in the student's backpack and/or locker while on school property; this includes before and after school. The school takes no responsibility for lost, stolen, or damaged devices.

If you need to get a message to your child, we ask that you communicate it through the school office. We will ensure it is communicated to your child in a timely fashion. Thank you.

## **Afterschool Art Club: Grades 5, 6 and 7**

Ms. Bouchard will begin after school Art clubs next week!

Grade 6/7 Wednesday 2:45 - 3:30pm

Grade 5 Friday 2:45 - 3:30pm

If you are interested please contact Ms. Bouchard

## **Catholic Girls League - Beads for blankets - GOING FAST!!**

The CGL girls have been busy making beautiful bracelets. Each bracelet is unique with an array of gemstones,(amethyst, carnelian, bloodstone, jasper, BC jade to name a few) plus silver charms and a blessed miraculous medal. The proceeds of the sales will buy blankets for the Homeless in Vernon. Each bracelet is packaged in a gift bag to make a stunning Christmas gift. Bracelets are \$25.00 and available at the Office.

## **Virtual Scholastic Book Fair - November 30 - December 13 2020**

Online orders **guaranteed delivery for Christmas**

<https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5153705>

## Individual student photos:

If you had ordered student photos by the November 22 deadline, they will be available for pick up next week.

## SOS - Volunteer SignupGenius

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4fada82ca0fa7-stjames3>

Thank you for those that have signed up recently. Your enthusiasm is appreciated. We will reach out to you as opportunities arise.

## PSG - Parent Support Group

### Vernon Teach and Learn - **SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 4 5 - 8pm**

20% of sales from our school community is returned in the form of a store gift card. In the past, this money's been used to stock up the after school supplies in the Library. This is an exciting opportunity to **support a local business** and **support our amazing school**.

Please invite friends, parents and grandparents to shop for Christmas gifts. Complimentary gift wrapping and light snacks are provided.

## Meet the Staff at St James School



**Colleen Trepanier** - Certified Education Assistant

**Birthplace:** Vancouver, B.C.

**Education:** CEA Okanagan

**Spouse:** Geoff

**Children:** Chloe & Olivia

**Passions:** Paddleboarding on Kal Lake, traveling, snorkeling in tropical locales, horseback riding.

★ **Fun Facts:**

I own a 135lb. Newfoundland dog

I have dual citizenship for Canada & South Africa.

## Meal Programs:

**Hot Lunch (HL)** December menu attached, **payment due Monday, November 30**

**Take Home Supper (THS):** Please ensure your order and payment are in the school office by Monday, noon for THS that Wednesday.

**Take Home Supper PICK UP TIME:** Wed, 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Pick up is outside the door of Kitchen by the gym/Parish Centre.

## Upcoming Events:

- ❖ December 8 - Uniform sale - 9:00am - 11:00am
- ❖ December 15 - Grade 6 immunization
- ❖ December 17/18 virtual Christmas concert (tentative)
- ❖ December 18 - Spirit Day - Christmas Colour day **Red/Green/White**
- ❖ December 19 - Jan 3 Christmas break

## Attachments:

Mr Rossetti Letter to Parents

HL December menu

THS December menu