



Dear SJS Parents

Our week was again filled with activities. Grades 6 & 7, and Grades 4 & 5 visited Myra Canyon Adventure Park. Kindergarten ventured to Polson Park amongst the magnificent colours of autumn. **ShakeOutBC**, October 15, “Drop, Cover and Hold On” found SJS participating in the great BC Earthquake drill. And to close out our week, Grade 2 & 3 attended Friday Mass.

October 19 - 23rd School events

- ★ **October 19**
 - 12:25pm - 12:55pm Grade 6/7 Liturgical Dance info session in Grade 7
 - 2:45pm - 4:00pm CGL (Catholic Girls League) in library
 - 2:45pm - 3:30pm Boys 6/7 Volleyball
 - 6:30pm - 7:00pm Grade 3 Meet the Teacher (Zoom mtg)
- ★ **October 20** - no events
- ★ **October 21**
 - 12:25pm - 12:55pm Grade 5 boys & girls Volleyball
 - 2:45pm - 3:30pm Grade 6/7 Liturgical Dance in Grade 7
- ★ **October 22**
 - 2:45 - 3:30pm Girls 6/7 Volleyball
- ★ **October 23** - **NO school** - Provincial ProD

News from the Office:

Absent from School: Please **inform the office by 9:00am** if your child will be absent. **call:** 250.542.4081, **email:** office@stjamesvernon.com or **cc:** office@stjamesvernon.com when corresponding with your child’s teacher. If your child is to leave the school grounds during the day, please ensure you sign your child out in the book outside of the office.

COVID 19 test results are not required to be forwarded to the School office.

Updated Health Commitment Student form October 13 2020 - this latest updated form is required. Please ensure your child(ren) form is **returned to their Teacher ASAP**
Health Commitment October 13 form see attachments

Saints of Service - Parent Participation Program

SOS was created to engage and build relationships amongst our SJ families. The opportunities to volunteer are many and quite diverse. Whether you have time to come into the school or prefer to assist from home, you will find areas of interest. Whether you are a gardener, fixer-upper or have a creative side, there will be lots of opportunities to share your many gifts. We are currently gathering suggestions and ideas with staff and will provide volunteer opportunities in our next Quick Snapper.

Meet the Staff at St James School:



Hello from Mr. McLaughlin. Thank you to those who have met me in the St. James School parking lot where I appear every Thursday after school.

Many of you will remember me from meal delivery days this past Spring.

This school year is off to a great start and the new Grade 3 students are helping me learn all their names. I look forward to more fun adventures with your children and the wonderful staff at SJS.

🍏 Fun Facts 🍏

Hometown... Edmonton , AB

Education...Queen's University B.A/B.Ed USASK LLB "Go Huskies!!"

Children...Riley and Sterling are both big strong boys who are VSS Grads and super fun to be with.

Hobbies...Fly fishing and thinking about fly fishing

Favourite Place...Vernon BC

Favourite Drink....Earl Gray tea

Favourite Book...The King of Ireland's Son.

Favourite Movie...It's a Wonderful Life

Favourite Grade....Grade 3

NEWS from your PARENT SUPPORT GROUP:

The Parent Support Group (PSG) helps support our school through fundraising and community building activities that benefit our children and school. Please see the attachment to learn more about what we do and how you can help.

We have two Christmas fundraisers coming up. Students will bring home paper copies next week.

❖ Poinsettia Online Order Form

<https://stjamescatholic.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>
[\[stjamescatholic.growingsmilesfundraising.com\]](https://stjamescatholic.growingsmilesfundraising.com)

Orders due November 13 delivery November 30.

❖ Purdy's Online Order Form

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/823027-77431> [\[fundraising.purdys.com\]](https://fundraising.purdys.com)

Orders due November 13 delivery November 30.

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ October 26 CISKD ProD day - NO School
- ❖ October 28, 29 & 30 - Lost and Found on display
- ❖ October 30 Kindergarten & Grade 1 student attend Mass
- ❖ October 30 Halloween - details to follow by classroom Teacher
- ❖ November 11 - Remembrance Day - NO School
- ❖ November 12 - ProD day - **NO School**
- ❖ November 13 - ProD day - **NO School**

Take Home Dinner (THD): October menu is attached. **Note:** the updated pricing structure may fluctuate for additional protein options and an expansion of the menu. Please ensure your order and payment is in the school office by Monday, noon for THD that Wednesday.

Take Home Dinner PICK UP TIME: Wed., 2:30pm - 4:00pm (please note the change)
Pick up is outside the door of Kitchen by the gym/Parish Centre.

Attachments:

Health Commitment Oct 13
SJS Liturgical Dance
PSG Fall Connect
Take Home Dinner