

January 2017

Notre Dame *School*

Prayer for the New Year

Dear God,
May our lives be of use to You this year.
May our talents and intelligence
help heal the world.
May we remember how much we have
by remembering how much we have to give.
May we not be tempted by smaller things
but serve the larger mission of forgiveness and love.
Thus shall we be lifted, God,
and know joy this coming year and beyond.
Bless us and work through us
to bless the entire world.
Amen

*Happy New Year from the staff of
Notre Dame School!*

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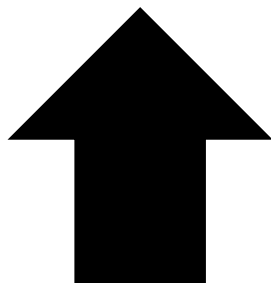


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Looking for Parent Volunteers to help with our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast
February 28th, 2017.

Please contact Mrs. Muz by email lucy.muz@starcatholic.ab.ca by **January 25th** if you can assist with this breakfast.



**Important Registration
Information**

Safety Patrols...



AMA SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL CORNER


Friendly TIPS FOR SCHOOL ZONE *Safety*

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Idling vehicles outside schools – especially in cold weather – creates a health hazard as dirty exhaust lingers close to the ground where children breathe. Idling wastes gas and is hard on your engine – the best way to warm up a vehicle is to drive it.

Teach 'mini-me' to be safe at school with fun activities at www.WayToBe.ca

AMA SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL™

 **AMA**

Thank you to all the patrollers and staff members for patrolling during the cold weather in December.

Congratulations to our Patroller of the month Paige Milner!



Congratulations to all the students and teachers who participated in the Notre Dame and Father Leduc Spelling Bee especially our winners EmmaLee Johansen and Shreya Inba Benedict !



Notre Dame Social Justice Projects

Tree of Warmth

The Grade 2 classes and Notre Dame's Social Justice Committee would like to thank everyone for their donations of warm winter clothes that was donated to those in need in the community.



Thank you for your support!



Advent Poetry

By Grade 5 Students

Advent is coming.
I can smell it.
I can smell Grandma's cooking as I come visit her/she comes visit me.

Advent is coming.
I can feel it.
I can feel warmth inside my heart.

Advent is coming.
I can hear it.
I can hear laughter from children as they play in the snow.

Advent is coming.
I can see it.
I can see the wreath that represents God's everlasting love.

Advent is coming.
Advent is here.

By Cassandra



Santa's Helpers

Notre Dame and Father Leduc Schools were proud to work together to collect donations of gifts for those in need in the Leduc community this Christmas.

Advent is coming.
I can feel it.
I feel warm with happiness

Advent is coming.
I can smell it.
Burning candles

Advent is coming.
I can hear it.
I hear people thanking

Advent is coming.
I can see it.
I see a lit candle

Advent is coming.
Advent is here.

By Anonymous

What's Happening at Notre Dame:



Mrs. Lazowski's Grade 2 class – Las Posadas (Christmas Procession) is acting out Mary and Joseph in search of shelter in Bethlehem. Their class went from room to room asking for room in the inn. When they finally found shelter they celebrated with a Fiesta!

Grizzly Girls and Boys Basketball

Congratulations to the Notre Dame Grizzlies Boys basketball team for earning bronze in the St. Ben's invitational tournament and the Notre Dame Grizzlies Girls basketball team for earning silver!



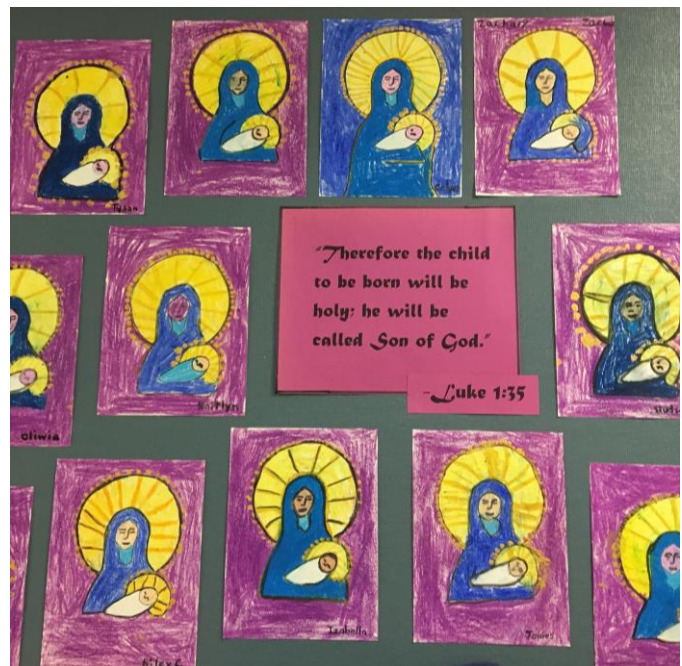
Thank you to Mrs. Youssef, the students, and numerous staff members for making the 2016 Christmas Concert a memorable one! All six performances were outstanding!





The Magic of
Christmas
 is not PRESENTS,
 in but in
 HIS PRESENCE ✨

Some of the beautiful Christmas artwork from our talented students.



Notre Dame

School Council

Anti Bullying pink shirts available for purchase on the Hot Lunch website starting **January 1, 2017** for **\$15 each**.

Different sizes available, orders will be in before Anti Bullying (Pink Shirt) day on February 22, 2017.

Students will be getting the chance to design the shirt in January.

Please contact **Alana Bilesky @ 780- 980-1109** for further information.



Next School Council Meeting: January 9th at 6:30 pm in the Notre Dame staff room.

Panda meeting will follow.



The staff and students of Notre Dame School would like to extend thanks and the warmest wishes for a joyous New Year to Father Leo and Linda Boire. Thank you for providing spiritual guidance at Notre Dame school throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you in the school in 2017.



St. Michael's Parish



Advent—Christmas Schedule 2016

Candlelight Remembrance Mass:

Thursday, December 15—7:00 pm

Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve: Saturday, December 24—6:00 pm
9:00 pm
12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day: Sunday, December 25—10 am



New Year's Day (Mary, Mother of God):

Saturday, December 31—5:00 pm

Sunday, January 1, 2017—9:00 am & 11:00 am

First Communion Classes @ St. Michael Parish for 2017

All classes 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

- Wed. March 8th – Registration – Parents Only
- Wed. March 15th – Class 1 – Children Only
- Wed. March 22nd – Class 2 – Children Only
- *Wed. March 29th – SPRING BREAK – No Class*
- Wed. April 5th – Class 3 Children Only

NOTE: Children must have completed the Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Confession) BEFORE First Communion.



Please visit <https://vimeo.com/196033444> for a link to Archbishop Richard Smith's Christmas Message.

Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for Alberta weather. The playground can be quite windy. Please **label/personalize** toques, mittens, scarves, snow pants and **boots visibly on the outside**.



Jersey Day!

Monday, January 30, 2017



Join in!

February 1, 2017

Celebrate winter by walking at least 15 minutes outside your home, school, workplace, or favourite area!

Everyone can participate including schools, community groups, workplaces and individuals!

- Join our Facebook Community (www.facebook.com/WinterWalkDay) and get tips to create your event, get people to join in, and share your pictures & stories!
- FOLLOW US ON TWITTER @winterwalkday

The St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School Division has compiled a list of surplus equipment that is available for purchase by the public. You can view a list of all available equipment on the Division's website at www.starcatholic.ab.ca under the News section.

Newman Theological College and St. Joseph's College
invite you to take part in a community conversation on:

Catholic Education and Contemporary Secular Culture

February 4, 2017 from 8:45 am to 1:30 pm
Edmonton Catholic Schools St. Anthony Teacher Centre
(10425 84 Ave NW Edmonton, AB T6E 2H3)

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Presentations

Continuity of Faith and Reason

Dr. Denis Lamoureux

Catholic World View

Rev. Stefano Penna

Following each presentation there
will be opportunities for dialogue
and discussion.

Objectives

To afford Catholic education
leaders the opportunity to come
to a deeper understanding of
the foundation, purpose, and
value of Catholic education.

To afford Catholic education
leaders with the opportunity to
expand their skills in articulating
the essence of Catholic
education.

To afford Catholic education
leaders the opportunity to enter
into dialogue regarding the
reason for being of Catholic
education.

To follow up the ACSTA
Catholic Education Symposium
of February 2014.



Thank you to the Edmonton Catholic School District for their assistance in this initiative.

Accountability Pillar Survey

Information for parents:

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators. Data on these indicators consists of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of education quality, student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates, and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.


- In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education.
- In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with your school. In addition to English and French, the parent survey is available in Chinese, Punjabi, Arabic, Blackfoot, Cree, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog and Urdu.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly.

Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2017, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

What's Happening in the Community??



Understanding & Managing Childhood Anxiety

Sleepless nights? Separation anxiety? Avoiding school? Excessive fear? Clinging? Panic Attacks? Worrying about things out of their control?

January 21, 2017

UNDERSTANDING & MANAGING CHILDHOOD ANXIETY

Presented By: Tammy Schamuhn, M.Sc., B.Ed Registered Psychologist & Executive Director of Family Counselling Centres Inc.

Time: 9:00am-4:00pm
Cost: \$75.00 (\$25.00 for low-income families)
Location: University of Alberta, Lister Centre
Registration: Phone 780-612-8577 ext 1 OR email info@familycounsellingcentres.com

RESUME AND COVER LETTER DEVELOPMENT
.... WORKSHOP

Create your own individualized cover letter and resume to get you an interview. Participants will receive a completed resume.

Jan. 19, 2017 | 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Leduc Alberta Works Office (4901 - 50 Ave)

FREE | Call 780-980-7109 to Register

**Snacks and refreshments will be provided*



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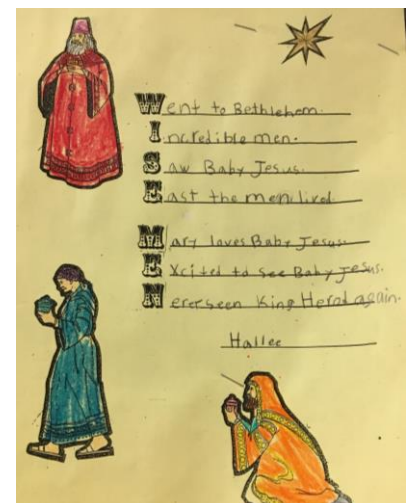
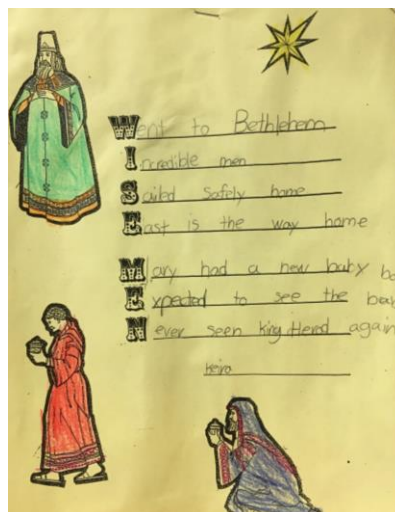
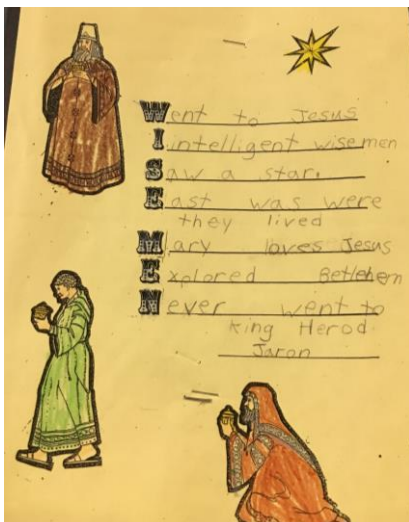


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Grade 2 Acrostic Poems about the Wise Men



January 2017



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 School Resumes NDSC/PANDA Meeting 6:30 pm 	10 Lice Busters	11	12 Girls' Basketball Game @ 3:10pm	13 Hot Lunch- Extreme Pita School Patrollers Presentation@ 11:15 am	14
15	16 ECS Registration Begins  Girls Basketball game @ Corinthia Park 11:40am	17 1:15 Grade 1 French and Grade 1. Blackburn Swimming	18 Linda Boire Visiting Grade 5 Classes	19 1:15 Grade 1 French and Grade 1. Blackburn Swimming	20 Hot Lunch Kosmos	21
22	23 Preschool Registration Begins	24 1:15 Grade 1 French and Grade 1. Blackburn Swimming	25 Girls Basketball game Vs Caledonia @ Notre Dame 12:15 	26 1:15 Grade 1 French and Grade 1. Blackburn Swimming	27 Hot Lunch Hotdogs	28
29	30 Jersey Day Spirit Assembly 2pm 	31 No School – Staff PD Day	1 Winter Walk Day	2 1:15pm Grade 1 French and Grade 1. Blackburn Swimming	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Teacher's Convention No School	10 Teacher's Convention No School	11