

From Mrs. Tilleman's Desk

Dear SPT Families,

As we enter the beautiful season of Advent, our school community is filled with hope, joy, and anticipation. Advent invites us to slow down, prepare our hearts, and focus on the joyous celebration that awaits us—the birth of Jesus. We are truly blessed to journey together through this sacred season, supporting one another in faith and love as we ready ourselves for Christmas.

Throughout Advent, we will gather each week for school-wide Advent prayer services. Each service will be led by a different class, and we warmly welcome families to join us as we reflect, pray, and prepare for the coming of Christ. We are also looking forward to our **Christmas Concert on December 11th**. A special newsletter with detailed information was sent out on November 26th, so please take a moment to review it if you haven't already. It will be a wonderful evening of music, celebration, and community.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our Parent Council for their incredible support during this busy season. They have been instrumental in getting helping to decorate for our Christmas Concert, which I know will bring beauty and warmth to our celebration. We are also deeply grateful for their hard work in planning, cooking, and serving our Christmas Dinner for all St. Patrick students. This cherished tradition brings our entire school together to share a special meal, and we are so appreciative of the time, care, and love that goes into making it happen.

From December 15th–18th, we will celebrate Christmas Spirit Week! Here's what we have planned:

- Monday, Dec. 15: Wear Red & Green Day
- Tuesday, Dec. 16: Dress Your Best for our Christmas Mass and Dinner
- Wednesday, Dec. 17: Christmas Sweater Day
- Thursday, Dec. 18: Dress as a Christmas Character Day

Our final day of school before Christmas Break is Thursday, December 18th. We hope all of our students and families enjoy a peaceful and joy-filled holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on January 5th.

In January, our Grade 1–5 students will be heading to the arena for skating. If your child has skates and a helmet at home, please begin getting them ready for the end of January. For students who do not have skates or a helmet, we do have some available at the school to borrow. More detailed information about skating will be included in our January newsletter.

As we continue through Advent, may Christ's light fill your homes with peace, joy, and hope. Thank you for your continued support of our school community. We wish you all a blessed Advent season and a very Merry Christmas!

Warm regards,

Mrs. Mary Tilleman

Principal, St. Patrick Elementary School

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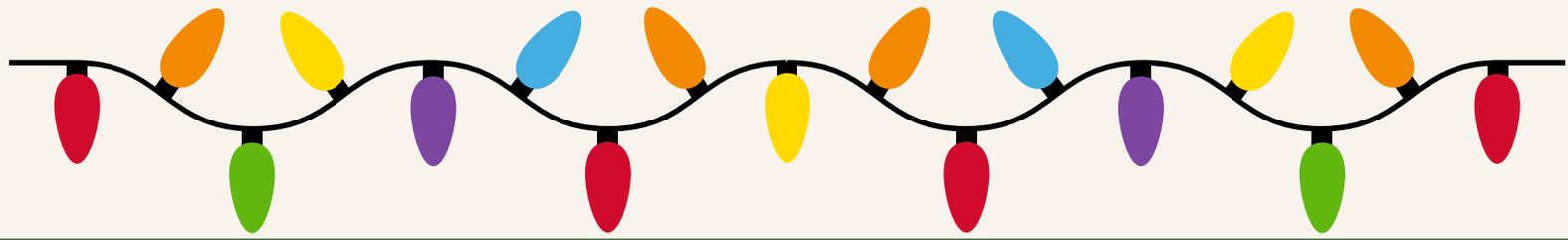


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	5 • Hot lunch @ 1 Boston Pizza	4	5 • Advent Service "Peace" @ 9 Hosted by 2/3G	6
7 • Choir sings at 9 am Mass at St. Augustine's church	8	9	10	11 • Christmas Concert @ the Civic Center @ 6:30	12 • Advent Service "Joy" @ 9 Hosted by 2/3P	15
14	15 • Wear Red/Green Day	16 • Dress Your Best Day • Christmas Mass @ 11:15 @ St. Augustine's • Christmas dinner @ 1	17 • Christmas Sweater Day • Advent Service "Love" @ 9 Hosted by 2/3D	18 • Christmas Character day • Last day before Xmas Break	19 • No School -PD Day	20
21	22 No School	25	24	25	26	27
28	29 No School	50	51			



= Choir @ 3:15

• 1st day back from Xmas Break - Monday, January, 5th



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SPT Christmas Concert

Thursday December 11

@ 6:30 PM

in the Auditorium at the Taber Civic Center

It is with great excitement that we are able to host our annual Christmas Concert. The theme this year is "The Heart of Christmas" Each family has been given 4 tickets. If you need more, please contact the office to be added to the wait list. If you have extra that you do not need, please bring them to the school office as soon as possible.



School Council News

The Next School Council Meeting

will be on

Wednesday, December 3rd

@ 3:20

@ St. Patrick's School

Fall Fundraiser

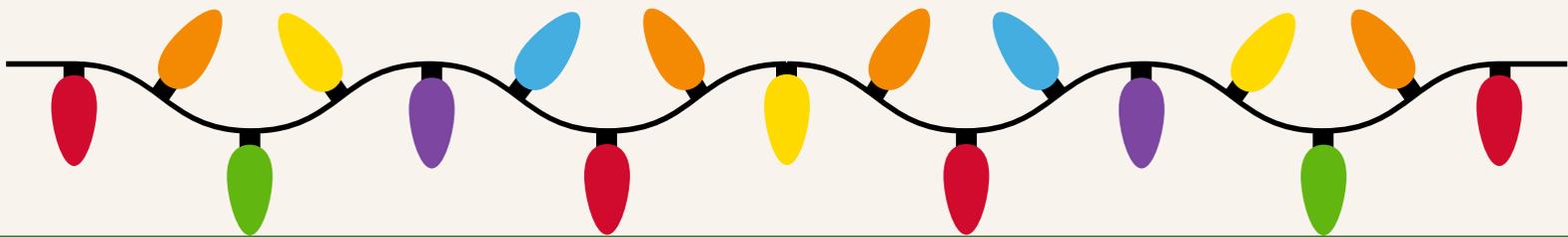
The Fall Fundraiser is now closed as of November 28th. Thank you to everyone who participated!

Estimated delivery to the school: December 10-17 (exact date TBD). We will contact you as soon as we have confirmation. Once the products arrive, they will be delivered to the school, and you will be notified when orders are ready for pick-up.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support—fundraising makes a big difference in our school community, and we couldn't do it without you! ❤️

Hot Lunch

- December 3rd - Boston Pizza
- Dec. 16th - Christmas Dinner for Students and staff
- Jan. 14th - Pizza 73
- Jan. 29th - Taco Time



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Winter Gear

It is important that your child comes to school prepared to go outside for recess. The only time our students are inside for recess is when the weather feels colder than -20 degrees Celsius.

Please make sure your child comes to school in warm clothes. A winter coat, snow boots, gloves/mittens and toque/ earmuffs are very important.

Please label all of your child's winter gear.

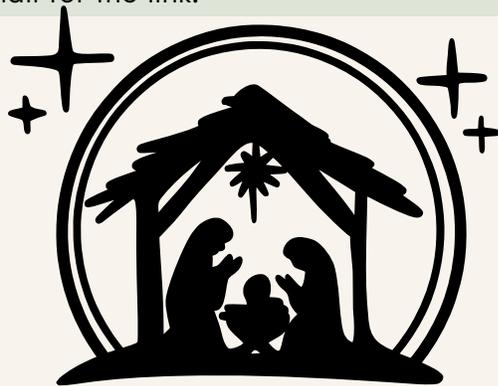
Christmas Break

December 19th - January 4th

1st day of school after Christmas
Break
January 5th

Permission Click

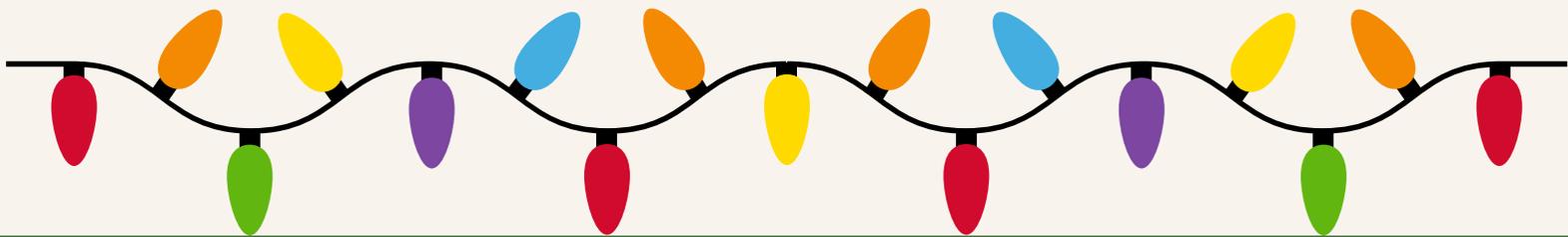
Please complete a Permission Click form to give your child permission to partake in activities that happen off the school grounds. Please check your email for the link.



Super Student Postcards

Our Super Student postcards are getting a fresh new look—thanks to the creative talents of our very own SPT students! These redesigned postcards will look a little different, featuring original artwork and ideas from our young designers. We can't wait to start using them to celebrate the amazing achievements and positive contributions of our students across the school. Well done to everyone involved!





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Important Reminders

Late or Absent Students

Please call our school office by 9:00 AM if your child will be late or absent from school! Our phone number is 403-223-3352.

Agenda Notes

The agenda is an important communication tool between home and the school. If there are any changes in your child's schedule, a change in bus/kidzone schedule, or a change in who is picking up your child, please make note in your child's agenda. If the change occurs during the day, give our school office a call and we will pass on the message to the classroom.

Picking up Students During School Hours

Parents, if you are picking up your child during school hours, please check-in at our office to sign out your child. While signing out, the office will contact your child's homeroom teacher to have your child sent down to the office. Thank you in advance for your cooperation by helping us to continue to create a safe and supportive learning environment for all of our students.

Medical Notes/ Medication

If your child needs to take medication at school, please see Mrs. Mankow in the office to fill out the required paperwork. Additionally, please keep us updated on any allergies or medical changes the school should be aware of.

Microwave Use at Nutrition Times

We have two 15-minute Nutrition Breaks for our students to eat and the entire school eats at the same time. Due to the limited time please send your child with lunches that do not require a microwave. This will ensure that all students will have ample time to eat their lunch. More time will be provided in class for those students who require it.

Milk and Juice Program

Milk Juice Program - We are excited to be offering our chocolate milk and juice program again this year. The program will be run by our Grade 5 students with the help of Ms. Gross, Mrs. French and Mrs Unrau. Chocolate milk and juice will be available for purchase during the 1st Nutrition Break. Milk/juice cards can be purchased at the office or on SchoolCashOnline.

We have two types of cards available:

- 1) \$10 punch card valid for 8 individual milk/juice purchases
- 2) \$20 punch card valid for 16 individual milk/juice purchases.

If you don't want to purchase a punch card, students are also able to purchase milk or juice individually. Each drink is \$1.25

***Proceeds support school activities, programs, SPT leadership, and our Grade 5 Farewell.. ***

Stay Connected

Check out our school website:

spt.holyspirit.ab.ca School Calendar:

spt.holyspirit.ab.ca/school/calendars

Follow us on Social Media:

 St. Patrick School - Taber

 @spttaber

 @SPTtaber

Board Briefs:

Each month, the School Division Trustees publish a summary of their meetings:

https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/board_administration/board_of_trustees/board_meetings





Open Wide the Doors!

Sent To Share Christ's Love

St. Monica

Feast Day: August 27

Dear Saint Monica,
I ask you to pray for
all those sons and daughters
That have walked away from God,
And add to your prayers
all those mothers
Who are worried
for their children.
Amen.

St. Monica — Pray for us!



CCH WELDING CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER!

WE HAVE TWO OPTIONS THIS YEAR!!

**OPTION 1: CHRISTMAS TREE
TREE ORNAMENT - PAINTED GREEN
PRICE: \$15 EACH**

**OPTION 2: NATIVITY SCENE ORNAMENT
PAINTED BLUE AND WHITE
PRICE: \$10 EACH**

50% OF THE PROCEEDS
GO TOWARDS
SANTA'S ANONYMOUS

50% OF THE PROCEEDS GO
TOWARDS PURCHASING A VIRTUAL
WELDER FOR THE WELDING PROGRAM

SUBMIT ORDERS BY
DEC 10 TO ENSURE
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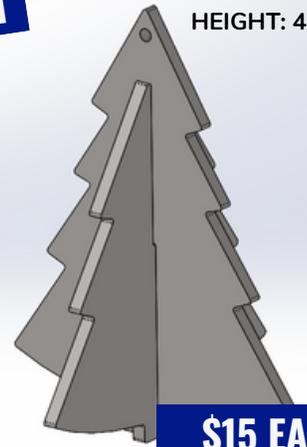
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OPTION 1

HEIGHT: 4 1/8"



\$15 EA

OPTION 2

HEIGHT: 4"



\$10 EA



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THE ONES ABOVE, ALTHOUGH THEY MAY
VARY SLIGHTLY*

