

From Mrs. Tilleman's Desk

Dear SPT Families,

As we move into the month of February, we are reminded that this is a season centered on love, kindness, and care for one another. In our school community, we strive each day to live out these values through our words, our actions, and the way we support one another.

A beautiful reminder of this comes from Scripture:

"Love one another as I have loved you."

(John 13:34)

Throughout this month, students will be encouraged to show love and kindness in simple but meaningful ways—through acts of service, respectful words, and choosing empathy, even when it's hard.

We are excited to invite all families to our **Little Love Market on February 11 from 5:30–7:30 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to join us for an evening of community and connection while shopping our vendor tables. We will also have a bake sale and concession available that evening. We hope to see many of you there!

We are also thrilled to be bringing back our One Book, One Community project again this year. This shared reading experience helps strengthen connections between home and school and fosters meaningful conversations across our community. We will begin the book on February 23, and the project will wrap up on March 11, tying in with our Family Dance that evening. More details will be shared as we get closer, and we look forward to celebrating this special experience together.

Looking ahead, Thunder Athletics information will be coming soon. Please keep an eye out for upcoming details regarding programming, timelines, and opportunities for students to get involved. We are looking forward to another great season of teamwork, growth, and school spirit.

Finally, a gentle reminder to families to please complete the Holy Spirit Survey that was sent to you via email from the Division. Your voice truly matters. The feedback you provide helps guide decision-making and supports us in shaping the direction of our school community in meaningful ways. We sincerely appreciate your time and thoughtful input.

Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and support. May February be a month filled with kindness, connection, and care for one another.

Warm regards,

Mrs. Mary Tilleman

Principal, St. Patrick Elementary School

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February 2026

Sunday

Monday

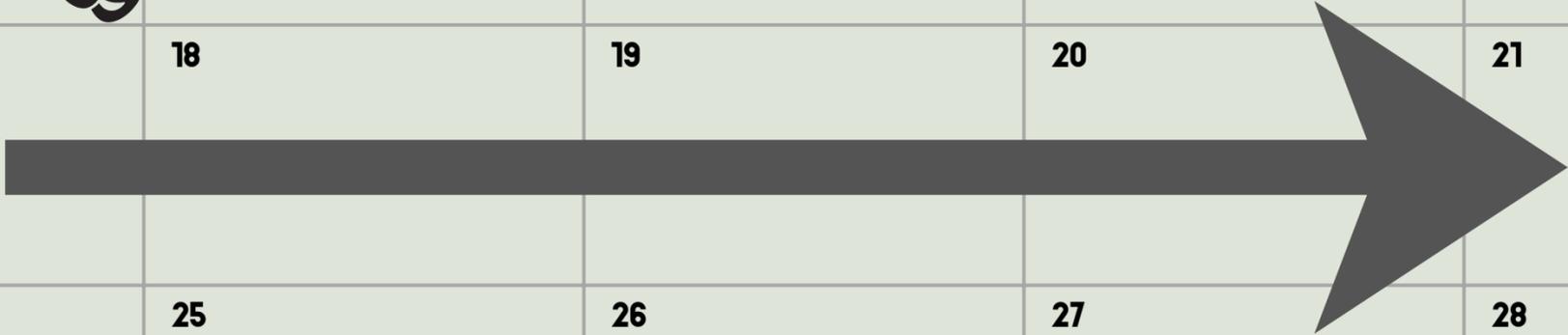
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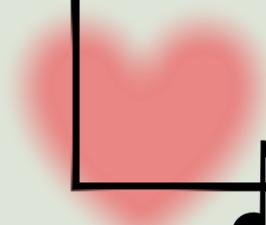
Friday

Saturday

1	2 • GROUNDHOG DAY - WEAR SHORTS OR PJS • 26/27 REGISTRATION FOR EXISTING FAMILIES	3 • 1W & 4/5F CHURCH TOUR @ 9:30 • HOT LUNCH ORDERS DUE	4 • WINTER WALK DAY (PE) - SHAPE ALBERTA	5 • MASS FOR 4/5F,4/5U & 2/3D AT ST. AUGUSTINES CHURCH	6 • THE LAST DAY TO SUBMIT ENTRIES FOR A TABLE AT THE LITTLE LOVE MARKET	7
8	9 • 26/27 REGISTRATIONS OPEN FOR NEW FAMILIES	10	11 • HOT LUNCH - COULEE CAFE • LITTLE LOVE MARKET AND BAKE SALE 5:30-7:30 • NO CHOIR	12 • MASS FOR 2/3G & 1V AT ST. AUGUSTINES CHURCH	13 • LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE HOSTED BY 4/5F AT SPT	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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22	23	24	25 • PINK SHIRT DAY - ANTI-BULLY AWARENESS	26 • HOT LUNCH - FIREHOUSE SUBS • MASS FOR 4/5G & 1W AT ST. AUGUSTINES CHURCH	27	28
1	2 • PARENT COUNCIL MEETING @ 3:30	3	4	5	6 • LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE HOSTED BY 4/5U AT SPT	7

 =CHOIR AT 3:15

 =DRAMA CLUB AT 3:15





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School Council News

The Next School Council Meeting

will be on
Monday, March 2nd @ 3:30
@ St. Patrick's School

Hot Lunch

- Wednesday, February 11th -Coulee Cafe
- Thursday, February 26th - Firehouse Subs

Deadline for orders: February 3rd, 2026

BAKE SALE

SPT STUDENT COUNCIL WILL BE A HOSTING A VALENTINES MARKET "LITTLE LOVE MARKET AND BAKE SALE" FEBRUARY 11TH, 2026

WE ARE ASKING PARENTS IN PRE-K TO GRADE 5 TO HELP SUPPORT US BY BRINGING IN BAKED GOODS. PLEASE BRING ALL BAKED GOODS TO THE SCHOOL BY 12PM ON FEBRUARY 11TH.

NOTE: PLEASE LABEL ALL BAKED GOODS WITH ANY ALLERGEN INGREDIENTS INCLUDING DAIRY, WHEAT/GLUTEN, ETC.

OUR SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE ZONE

Little Love Market and Bake Sale

♡ SAVE THE DATE ♡

February 11th , 2026 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Location: St. Patrick Elementary School , Taber

Looking for Children and Adult Vendors
Email: spschoolcouncil@holyspirit.ab.ca
if you are interested

Please come and support our SPT students and community members in their businesses

Students and Parents are invited to participate by reserving a table to sell their items.

- Student tables: \$5 per table
- Adult tables: \$20 per table

If your interested please contact SPT Parent Council at: spschoolcouncil@holyspirit.ab.ca to reserve your table by February 6th.



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Registration will Open Soon

We're excited to share that student registration for the 2026–2027 school year at SPT will be opening soon!

- Existing student registration & updates will open on February 2nd
- New student registration will open on February 9th

You can complete your registration online – just visit the SPT webpage and click on Registration or go directly to this link: <https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/registration>. Holy Spirit School Division will send out an email with instructions for current parents to complete their registration updates.

If you have any questions, our friendly office team is here to help!
Call the school or stop by in person anytime for support with your registration.

We look forward to welcoming all our returning and new families for another great year!



Parents will receive forms via email for:

- Off-campus field trips
- Device usage
- Family Life program

Please take a moment to complete these forms online.

⚠ Important: The Family Life program is opt-in, so if you do not respond, your child will not participate in this learning.

Valentines Parties

Teachers will be in touch with you regarding their classroom plans for class parties.



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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.

Inside Shoes Please

Now that it is muddy outside it is more important than ever to have a pair of inside shoes that will work for gym class. Please make sure your child has inside shoes they can keep in their locker

SPT Going to Thursday Mass Again

Starting February 5th, our classes will be alternating going to the Thursday morning masses at 9am at the church.
This is weather permitting.



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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

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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