






St. Gerard School Calendar

January 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		<i>Christmas Break December 22-January 2</i>				
4	5 Classes Resume	6	7	8	9	10
	<i>Watch for: ECSD Annual Surveys for Parents coming home in January.</i>					
11 	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 School Council Meeting 6 pm	21	22	23 	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 PD Day – NO SCHOOL for students	31
<i>Mark your calendars: The Parent Council Casino is 3 months away on April 25 & 26</i>						

Upcoming Events:
 February 8 – Art Walk 1 pm at Lumen Christi Catholic Education Centre (9405-50 Street)
 February 13 – Gr. 4-6 Skiing
 February 13 – Parent Council Family Dance
 February 16 – NO SCHOOL – Family Day
 February 18 – Shrove Tuesday
 February 19 – Ash Wednesday Celebration 10:30 am
 February 25 – NO SCHOOL – Faith Development Day
 February 26 & 27 – NO SCHOOL – Teacher’s Convention



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Note from Administration

Christmas Greetings! We have had a busy month here at the school filled with Christmas fun and cheer. It was wonderful to welcome families into the school to visit during our Demonstration of Learning and our Christmas Family Fun Event. We also enjoyed some fun theme days and treats from our Spirit Leadership Team. There will be new clubs and activities for the students starting in the new year. Watch your emails and agenda messages. As we close this calendar year, we wish all of our families a joyous Christmas and many blessings in the New Year. Thank you for your support!

G. Tarnawsky & L. Cruickshank

Thank yous!

Our school is very fortunate with the generosity of others. Thank you to **Knights of Columbus** (Christopher Council) and **St. Martin School** for donating winter clothing, food and cereal for our snack program. Our students were also very blessed to each receive a gift **from St. John XXIII School** Christmas Elves who visited our school on Dec. 17 to deliver the presents! **THANK YOU!**

Parent Council Fundraiser

Our school has an important fundraising event coming up, and we need your help. We have a Casino Fundraiser on **April 25 and April 26, 2026** at the Pure Casino Yellowhead. This event helps our school pay for many important items and activities, such as field trips for students, technology in classrooms, learning resources and many other school needs.

To run this event, we must fill several volunteer positions. No experience is needed. Training is provided at the casino, and every role is important. We are asking parents to please sign up for a volunteer shift if you can. Even one shift makes a big difference. Please note that we are able to cover costs with transportation and child care as long as a receipt is provided.

👉 Please click the link to see all available positions, brief description of the position and to sign up: <https://volunteersignup.org/LY94L>

Thank you for supporting our students and our school community. Events like this are only possible because of caring parents like you.

If you have any questions, please contact the Parent Council at st.gerard.sac@gmail.com

Stay Healthy

As we head toward colder winter temperatures, Alberta Health Services (AHS) is reminding parents of ways to help protect their children from Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) and other respiratory illnesses. To help reduce the spread of respiratory illness we recommend that students:

- regularly clean their hands with alcohol-based hand sanitizer or wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds,
- cough and sneeze into their sleeves or cover their mouths and noses with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, and
- throw away used tissues immediately after sneezing, coughing or wiping their noses and then clean their hands.

Students with respiratory symptoms should stay home from school until their symptoms have improved, they have not had a fever for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication and they feel well enough to resume normal activities.

Hoping everyone stays healthy through the chillier days ahead!

**For menus, calendars and other school information, visit our website stgerard.ecsd.net.*