



St. Gerard School Calendar

January 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024!	2	3	4 	5	6
7	8 Classes Resume	9	10	11	12 ECSD Annual Surveys due	13
14 	15	16	17	18	19 CAAWLS Dog Wellness visit	20
<i>Watch for: AB EDUCATION Assurance Surveys for Parents coming home in January.</i>						
21	22	23	24 School-Wide Write-On	25	26	27
28	29	30 Parent Council Meeting 6 pm	31			
Mark your calendars: The Parent Council Casino is 4 months away on May 28 & 29						

Upcoming Events:

February 13 – Shrove Tuesday

February 14 – Ash Wednesday, Valentine’s Day

February 19 – Family Day – No School

February 29 & March 1 – Teacher’s Convention – No School



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Note from Administration

"It's the most wonderful time of the year!"

We have had a busy month here at the school filled with Christmas fun and cheer. Our Grade 4-6 students were treated with a movie experience, while our Kindergarten-Grade 3 students received a visit and gift from friends at St. John XXIII School. So blessed to have such generosity for our school community. We have had a mild winter season so far, with much enjoyment and play outside. As we close this calendar year, we wish all of our families a joyous Christmas and many blessings in the New Year.

G. Tarnawsky & D. Bowers-O'Neill

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 who are ill 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!



Upcoming Surveys - Thank you for all of our families that filled out and returned or mailed the ECSD Annual Survey. There will be another survey coming home in the weeks ahead. We appreciate your feedback and will use the information to support the academic, social, emotional and spiritual needs here at St. Gerard School.



Parent Council News – Fundraising Casino May 28 & 29



Our Parent Council generously supports many of the activities, technologies, and extras for our students. Last year they covered the expenses for all field trips, supported in-school activities like inline skating and purchased Chromebooks, coding bots, and a 3D printer - Plus so much more! Their generous support means more experiences and tools for our students without added costs for our families. These funds come from fundraising efforts of Parent Council volunteers throughout the year. One major fundraiser which helps support our school is the upcoming casino on May 28 & 29. There will be many volunteer positions over those two days to help support this major fundraiser. Please mark your calendars, watch for emails, and sign up for a shift or two to help support the students at St. Gerard School. Any questions or for more information, please email: st.gerard.sac@gmail.com.

Thank you Parent Council for your generous support!

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