

# ST. NICHOLAS WEEKLY NEWS

February 26th-March 1st , 2024

## Dear Families,

As part of our Lenten initiative this year we will be collecting cereal for the breakfast program at St. Francis of Assisi School in Edmonton. The students at St. Francis of Assisi have a daily breakfast program and they are running short on cereal. We are encouraging families to bring in unopened boxes of cereal starting tomorrow to support this program. Classes will be having a friendly competition to see who can bring in the most cereal and as a school we will participate in a "break the rules" day on Friday, March 1st. Thank you in advance for your support of our Lenten initiative!



On Wednesday, we will be acknowledging Pink Shirt day. Students and staff are encouraged to wear pink. On this day (and all days!) we come together to be shining examples of kindness.

God Bless,  
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Principal

## Upcoming Important Dates:

- **February 28** - Pink Shirt Day/Hot Lunch (Pasta Pantry)
- **March 5** - School Council meeting at 6:00pm
- **March 6** - Early dismissal (2:14pm)
- **March 11/15** - Ukrainian Easter egg writing (Ukr. classes)
- **March 18/21** - Ukrainian Easter egg writing (Eng. classes)
- **March 19/20** - Parent/Teacher conferences (more information to follow)
- **March 22** - Spring break begins

## Information

- Kindergarten registration is open for online registrations. Children who are five years old on or before December 31, 2024, can be registered for Kindergarten. For the 2024-2025 school year, English Kindergarten will be offered on Mondays/Wednesdays (and alternating Fridays) and Ukrainian Kindergarten will be offered on Tuesdays/Thursdays (and alternating Fridays). Our

free nature based programming will occur on Fridays. To register please go to - [School Registration at Elk Island Catholic Schools \(EICS\)](#).

- St. Theresa will be hosting an Information Night on **Thursday, March 7th from 5:30pm - 6:30pm**. This event is open to all families, not just those entering grade 5 next year.
- Please see attached poster regarding Ecole Our Lady of Perpetual Help school's Open House (February 29th) and their new Cogito academy

#### **Digital Wellbeing Session- For Parents and Caregivers of children ages 9 to 14 years**

- Learn how to help your child with the social and technological pressures they face in the world today. Issues addressed include interacting with strangers online, understanding their digital identity, and healthy relationships. The content of this workshop is geared for parents and caregivers with children between 9-14 years of age.
- When: Monday, March 11 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm, Q&A from 7:30pm to 8:00pm
- Where: St. Luke School, 22139 S Cooking Rd, Sherwood Park, AB T8E 1G9
- Cost: Free, but registration required. Click here to register: [Digital Wellbeing - For Parents and Caregivers of children ages 9 to 14 years., Monday, March 11, 2024, 6 - 8pm - Family and parenting supports | Strathcona County](#)

#### **Faith Reflection**

Lord and Saviour, as we undertake this Lenten journey, we seek to know your merciful love in all that you have done for us. May we face our sins squarely, assured that you know and love us as we are. May we always be confident that your mercy is far more powerful than our sins and that you draw all people to yourself. Help us to turn to you in sorrow and to praise you in joy, knowing that you hold all things in your hand. Amen

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#### **St.Nicholas Catholic School**

"Our Catholic School Family, embracing both English and Ukrainian Bilingual programs is dedicated to providing the best opportunities for learning while nurturing in our students' continuous personal growth."

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