



Happy New Year to all of our St. Alphonse School families. We are hoping you had a wonderful Christmas break. With the turning of the calendar we are asked to still remain vigilant in keeping each other safe. Please remember that if your child is not feeling well that they are to stay home. We would also remind staff and students to wear a mask, wash their hands and respect people's space. The next little while will have some challenges so let's pray for and support each other.

Pizza and books sounds like a winning combination to me. The SCC and Dominoes Pizza will be hosting a Raise the Dough pizza night on January 26<sup>th</sup> and it is Family Literacy day on January 27<sup>th</sup>. The school will be doing some literacy activities on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Our Christmas celebration and Epiphany celebration will both be held in January. Each celebration symbolizes a new beginning or a fresh start. Let's remember our blessings and learn from our challenges as we strive to make 2022 the best it can be. Take care.

Mr. Cristo

Mr. Hartman

Principal

Vice-Principal



## REMINDERS:

### COLD WEATHER GUIDELINES:

The following guidelines apply to cold weather days:

- ~ **Temperature of -29 and above:**  
Students are expected to be outdoors at recesses.
- ~ **Temperatures of -30 to -35:**  
Students are encouraged to get fresh air, however, going outside is optional.
- ~ **Temperatures of -36 and below:**  
Students will not be allowed outdoors.

**Please remember to dress for the weather.**



## EARLY KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

(2022-23 School Year)

We are now taking names for Kindergarten Enrollment for the Fall of 2022. If your child turns 5, or you know of someone who has a child that will turn 5 before December 31, 2022, please fill out a kindergarten registration form on our website:  
<https://www.christtheteacher.ca/cttcs/stalphonus/> or visit our school office to receive one.



## NO SCHOOL

Friday, January 31, 2022  
Monday, Feb 1, 2022

<b><u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS:</u></b>	
Jan 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Day Back at School
Jan 27	Family Literacy Day
Jan 31	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Feb 1	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Feb 16	Catch the Spirit
Feb 21-25	Winter Break – NO SCHOOL

## Band News

- Band parents: if you would like your child to play a solo in the virtual Yorkton Music Festival in March, email [colette.karapita@cttcs.ca](mailto:colette.karapita@cttcs.ca) as you need to choose music and register online before Jan. 26. We are lowering fees this year for young students!
- Congratulations to Gr. 7/8 Band who won a prize for their video in the SK Band Association's virtual Christmas concert! On Thursday Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, students should arrive at Full Band 7:30 AM to practice for the festival. Their prize will be a free breakfast! (Unfortunately, the Moose Jaw Band Festival in May has been cancelled.)



## 10 outdoor activities for daily family learning

*Family Literacy Day* – an annual initiative that aims to raise awareness of the importance of learning together as a family – takes place on January 27, 2022. This year’s theme is *Learning in the Great Outdoors*. Spending time in nature provides many benefits, not just for bodies, but for minds too. This year, get outside and exercise both your mind and body together as a family. Here are 10 outdoor learning activities you can do as a family to celebrate *Family Literacy Day* and practice learning together year-round.

1. **Outdoor scavenger hunt.** Make a list of commonly found outdoor items, then go on a walk together with your list and see if you can find all the items.
2. **Create a nature journal.** Using a notebook, draw pictures and write stories about the different outdoor areas you’ve explored and the trees or animals you’ve come across.
3. **Learn about winter species.** Research online or at the library about winter birds and other animals in your region. Then, next time you’re outside, see if you can find any of the species you’ve learned about.
4. **Nature hike.** Get some fresh air and exercise while practicing your math. Time your hike, work out the distance, and calculate your average speed on your hike.
5. **Make story stones.** Find rocks outside and draw a different nature-themed picture on each. Then take turns telling stories using the stones.
6. **Head in the clouds.** Look at the different clouds in the sky and see if the shapes of the clouds look like familiar objects, such as animals or people.
7. **Number walk:** As you put on your shoes, choose something you want to count during your walk. It could be dogs, trees, stop signs, cars—anything you want! On your walk, count how many you can find.
8. **Snow art:** Use emptied dish soap bottles filled with water and food colouring to write messages and draw in the snow.
9. **A course of course:** Build an obstacle course in your backyard or at a park and draw a map of how to go through it from beginning to end.
10. **Adopt a tree.** Pick a nearby tree that is special to you and spend time observing and learning about the tree.

# St Alphonsus School

## “Raise the Dough” Night

This is an easy way for you to participate in a School fundraiser from the comfort of your own home!

“Raise the Dough” night for “St Alphonsus School” is sponsored by Domino’s.

All you have to do is order the “Raise the Dough Special” from

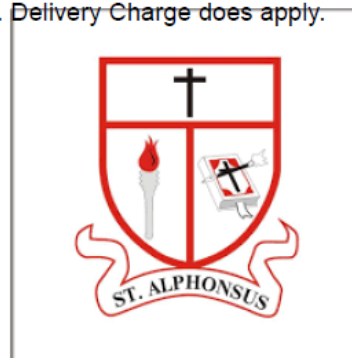
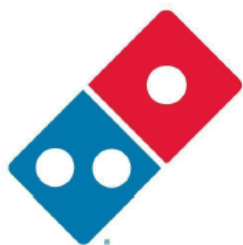
Domino’s on **Wednesday, January 26th, 2022!**

**The “Raise the Dough” Special consists of Two Medium, Three Topping Pizzas, and an Order of Cheesy Bread for only \$24.99+tx.**

Domino’s will donate \$5 from every “Raise the Dough” special ordered on this day back to our School. Anyone can order this special; neighbors, family, friends, co-workers ect. So mark it on your calendar and spread the word: Order the “St Alphonsus School Raise the Dough Special” from Domino’s on **Wednesday, January 26th, 2022!**

**Domino’s Yorkton      3-150 Broadway St E      (306) 890-0333**

\*This special can be ordered for pick-up or delivery. Pickup is preferred if possible! **Online Order Code: Raise** Delivery area is limited to the Yorkton city limits. Delivery Charge does apply.





# MAKE PLANS TO CATCH THE SPIRIT!

**Registration Night**  
Wednesday, February 16  
7:00 pm Virtual Information  
Session on Google Meet

**All grade 8 students in Yorkton & surrounding area are invited to join us for a virtual information evening. Please call 306-783-3128 to register.**

Explore the wide variety of choices and opportunities available to Sacred Heart students. Ask questions. Virtually tour the classrooms, labs & shop. "Visit" the arts & sports facilities. Learn about our Advanced Placement & French programs. Get the information you need about our unparalleled academic, athletic and extracurricular programming.

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Belong...  
Become"*



### Appendix C - Daily Health Checks

Thank-you to our St. Alphonsus families for continuing to complete the daily health check and limiting visits to the school; these efforts help us to keep our school as safe as possible. A reminder that mandatory masking applies to all staff and students. **Please note that any illnesses must be 48 hours symptom free before returning to school.** Parents / Guardians / Students / Staff must use this risk assessment each day to decide if they should enter a school or CTCS facility

1. Do you, or your child attending the program, have any of the below symptoms:		CIRCLE ONE	
	• Fever	YES	NO
	• Cough	YES	NO
	• Shortness of Breath / Difficulty Breathing	YES	NO
	• Sore Throat	YES	NO
	• Chills	YES	NO
	• Painful swallowing	YES	NO
	• Runny Nose / Nasal Congestion	YES	NO
	• Feeling unwell / Fatigued	YES	NO
	• Nausea / Vomiting / Diarrhea	YES	NO
	• Unexplained loss of appetite	YES	NO
	• Loss of sense of taste or smell	YES	NO
	• Muscle / Joint aches	YES	NO
	• Headache	YES	NO
	• Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)	YES	NO
2.	Have you, or anyone in your household, returned from travel outside of Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
3.	Have you or your children attending the program had close <u>unprotected</u> * contact (face-to-face contact within 2 metres) with someone who is ill with cough and/or fever?	YES	NO
4.	Have you or anyone in your household been in close <u>unprotected</u> contact in the last 14 days with someone who is being investigated or confirmed to be a case of COVID-19?	YES	NO

\*unprotected means close contact without a mask or other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE).

\*\*ill means someone with COVID-19 symptoms listed above.

If you have answered "No" to all the above questions, you may enter the school/facility.

If you have answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, please **DO NOT** enter the school/facility at this time. You should stay home and use the Saskatchewan COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool or call HealthLine 811. You are encouraged to seek testing as soon as possible if you have any symptoms.