

St. Alphonsus School

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MARCH 2022 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Lent begins on March 2nd with a virtual Ash Wednesday service. Classes will learn about the significance of the ashes and how they mark the faithful. Our Lenten journey will last the 40 days leading up to Easter.

Lent is a time of preparation for the Easter Season, as we prepare for the death and resurrection of Christ. Lent is a time of fasting. It can take the form of "giving up" bad habits or behaviour. Lent is also a time to focus on almsgiving and prayer as a way of coming closer to Christ in preparation for the Easter season. May the Holy Spirit give us the strength to act justly, the courage to love tenderly and the faith to walk humbly with our God that we might rejoice in the triumph of God's justice in Jesus at Easter.

There is also opportunity for further reflection on our learning. Student-Led Conferences are used as a further means of communicating student progress. Conferences will follow the format used in Term 1. Teachers will reach out to set up a time for a google meet or phone call. Thank you for participating in your child's education as last term's SLC attendance was exceptional.

Students will be bringing home their progress reports on March 18th. Please sit down and go through this document of learning with them.

Our school will be looking to support a local charity called Brothers and Sisters Keepers by doing a food drive during Lent. Please send ay non-perishable food items to the school and we will forward to this group.

God bless and take care.

Sincerely,

Mr. M. Cristo Mr. P. Hartman
Principal Vice-Principal



St. Alphonsus has a twitter account! @StAlsCTTCSFollow us for the latest updates & happenings.

Covid Update

St. Alphonsus School Return to School Plan: February 28th.

Students and staff are expected to self-monitor for symptoms. Please use the checklist provided. If students or staff are showing symptoms they are to stay home until symptoms stop.

Students who become ill at school or show symptoms will be moved to a designated area in the school. Families will be contacted and asked to pick their child up.

Self-administered rapid test kits are available at each school at no cost to families (while supplies last).

The recommendation to seek testing and stay home at the first sign of symptoms will continue.

Students and staff will be expected to wash and sanitize their hands regularly. The school will provide the sanitizer.

Students and staff will have the option of wearing a medical mask at school. The school will provide the masks for those who choose to mask.

Clubs, activities, athletics, and extra-curriculars are permitted. Interschool sports and activities will resume

The school will continue to provide a safe and clean learning environment for all students and staff.

Visitors will enter through the main entrance and report to the office. Please sign-in when arriving at the school.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:	
March 11 th	Make is Sow Fundraiser Due
March 17 th	St Patrick's Day – Dress in Green!
March 18 th	Progress Reports go home
March 22 nd	Student Led Conferences
March 23 rd	Student Led Conferences
April 15 th	Good Friday
April 17 th	Easter Sunday
April 15-22	Easter Break - No School
April 25 th	Classes Resume

Reminders

- Please contact the school if your child is going to be absent. Call 306-783-4121 or Text 306-641-9901
- Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather.
- Every Friday is School Colour Day. Wear your St Al's clothing or red and black.
- Please be careful on and around our playground. As the seasons change, we will have melting of ice and refreezing of water which will make things icy. Our maintenance staff will do their best to keep the sidewalks around the school clear of ice. As visitors to the school please stay on the main sidewalks and use the front entrance of the building.

Band News ...

Gr. 6 Full Band will begin on Tues. Mar. 8th
 @ 8 AM @ SHHS.

Student Led Conferences

 Student LED Conferences will be held on Tuesday, March 22nd and Wednesday, March 23rd from 3:30-6:30PM. Teachers will contact you with meeting times.

Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten Registration

- Pre-Kindergarten Applications are now being taken for the 2022-23 school year. Families with children ages 3 or 4 are invited to complete application forms for the fall program. Forms can be downloaded at https://christtheteacher.ca/ctt/stalphonsus/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/06/2020-2021-Prekindergarten Application Form.pdf. A selection process is in place to determine which students will qualify for this program.
- Kindergarten For children turning 5 before
 December 31, 2022. We are now taking names
 for Kindergarten Enrollment. You can find our
 kindergarten application at
 https://christtheteacher.ca/ctt/stalphonsus/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/06/2020-2021-Kindergarten_Registration_Form.pdf

A little peak of what we were up to in February...















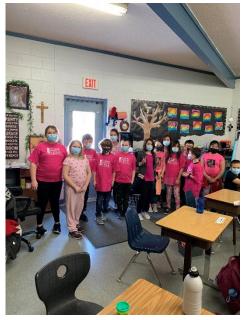














Triple P Teen Group

A program for parents/caregivers of children age 10 to 16

Conducted during seven consecutive weeks March 17 to April 28, 2022 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm Registration deadline is March 10, 2022

The group is conducted online. Login information will be provided to

Maximum registration is 8 parents. Adequate Internet service must be available and participants must have video and audio turned on at all times. We encourage parents to use a computer, laptop or tablet and not a phone to participate

Parents must commit to all sessions, with session 1 mandatory. The seven-week program consists of five in-person sessions and two sessions conducted by phone.

Parents will receive support to help manage their teen's behaviour and prevent the problems that makes family life stressful.

We start with developing positive relationship between parents and child, then share ideas how we can increase desirable behaviour, teach new skills and behaviours, manage misbehaviour, and finally deal with risky behaviour.

All programs are free, but registration is required for all sessions: Call 306-783-3080 | Text 306-621-3084 | Message on Facebook | Email triplep@signyorkton.ca www.facebook.com/yorktontriplep | www.signyorkton.ca



Triple P Group

A program for parents/caregivers of children age 0 to 10

Conducted during seven consecutive weeks Mondays March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 25, 2022 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm Registration deadline is March 10, 2022

The group is conducted online. Login information will be provided to reaistered participants by email.

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Parents will receive support to help manage their children's behaviour and prevent the kinds of problems that makes family life stressful.

We start with developing good relationship for parents to have with their child, then share ideas how we can encourage the behaviour we like, teach new skills and behaviours, and finally how to manage children's misbehaviour.

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Stepping Stones

A program for any Saskatchewan parent/caregiver of a child age 2 to 12 with a disability diagnosis

Will start in April 2022 after the Easter weekend. If you are interested in partcipating, contact us and we will contact you when the dates are confirmed.

The program is conducted online.

Login information will be provided to registered participants by email.

Parents must commit to all eight weeks -- 6 online group sessions on the dates above and 2 sessions conducted by individual phone calls during the other two weeks. Adequate Internet service must be available and participants must have video and audio turned on at all times.

We encourage parents to use a computer, laptop or tablet and not a phone to participate in this program.

In the initial five group sessions, parents will learn how to use positive parenting to develop good relationships with their children, encourage their children to learn new skills and develop independence. We will discuss how we can promote children's health, development and well-being, and manage misbehavior.

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