

Greetings St. Nicholas Community! We hope you are having a good weekend.



It's the Year of the Dragon!

Yesterday was the beginning of the Lunar New Year 2024. The Lunar New Year as a celebration is observed by numerous cultures, and is also often referred to as “Chinese New Year” because it is a traditional festival in China. This festival means the beginning of spring and the arrival of the new year.

FDK Registration

Kindergarten registration is now open. We kindly ask that families register promptly as it will assist us in preparations for next year. Please visit www.ycdsb.ca/admissions



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Shrove Tuesday

The Catholic School Council will be providing students with pancakes on Tuesday, February 13, 2024. Please note the ingredients on the poster. If you prefer for your child not to receive pancakes on that day kindly send an alternative snack. More information will follow next week. More information will follow. Thank you council members for providing St. Nicholas with this delicious treat.



Ash Wednesday Prayer Service

This year the Season of Lent begins on February 14th (Ash Wednesday). It is the time of year when our Catholic Church observes our forty-day journey toward Easter. *This day will remain a solemn one, and any classroom Valentine's Day celebrations will take place on February, 13th (shrove Tuesday). Please check with your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions. Due to allergies among students, we regret to inform you that edible treats will not be allowed.* Please join us on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 12:40 p.m. for Ash Wednesday as we commence our Lenten journey. Doors will open at 12:25pm.

Term 1 Report Cards

St. Nicholas will be delivering the Term 1 report cards electronically this **Tuesday, February 13th** (4:00 PM) via the Parent Portal. Parents are encouraged to sign-on to the Parent Portal in advance to ensure your username and password will allow access. Please note that the Multimedia area of the Parent Portal is not visible until report cards are available electronically. To access this portal, please visit our school's website, and click on the parents link in the top banner. From the Parents page, you will find a link to "Connect Parent Portal ConnectEd" on the right hand side. For detailed instructions on registering, using the portal, and to seek support, please visit: <https://sites.google.com/ycdsb.ca/ycdsbparentportal>



Get Ready, Set, JUMP!

Our school has registered in the Heart and Stroke fundraising program **Jump Rope for Heart** on Thursday March 7th, 2024. Jump Rope for Heart has been promoting kid's heart and brain health across Canada for more than 40 years!

On Friday February 16th we will be having our Kick Off Assembly to let the kids know about the event and their chance to win individual gift cards from Toys "R" Us, Indigo, Amazon, or Walmart. Thank you Ms. De Angelis and Mrs. Franzin for their leadership in organizing this worthwhile event.

A parent letter will be handed out that day to give further details about the event. Let's do our part to help bring awareness of heart disease and make a difference to help save lives.

Looking Ahead:

- Feb. 13 - Shrove Tuesday
- Feb. 14 - Ash Wednesday Service @ 12:40 pm - All our welcome!
- Feb. 16 - Heart and Stroke Kick Off Assembly
- Feb. 19 - Happy Family Day - No School
- Feb. 23 - Senior's Gr. 5 students to STREAM Centre
- Feb. 26 - Mar. 1 - McArthur's Gr. 5/6 class at STREAM Centre
- Feb. 27 - Confessions @ 8:30 am; Intermediate Girls Basketball Tournament @ CMS
- Feb. 28 - Pink Shirt Day

Please visit the our school [website](#) and calendar for more information or follow us on X @SNS_ycdsb

Wishing you a great week ahead.

M. Sanders