

SNS Week at a Glance - Dec. 1-5



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Monday Dec. 1	•
Tuesday Dec. 2	Last Day for our SNS Toy Drive
Wednesday Dec. 3	Grade 3s to Pioneer Village
Thursday Dec. 4	•
Friday Dec. 5	St. Nicholas Feast Day Mass at 12:45 pm
UPCOMING DATES	Dec. 8 -12 Book Fair Dec. 9 - Christmas Photo Day am only Dec. 11 - K-3 Christmas Concert at 12:30 pm Dec. 11 - Christmas Fundraiser product pickup 3-6pm Dec. 11 - Book Fair Family Night in the SNS library 2:30-6pm Dec. 17 - Sacred Heart Music Presentation K-8 Dec. 19 - Last Day before Christmas Break Dec. 22 - Jan. 4 - Christmas Holidays Jan. 5, 2026 - Welcome Back! JK Registration Begins



The Virtue of Hope

This month we celebrate the virtue of hope, which helps us trust in God's promises and rely on His guidance. For our students, hope means facing challenges with confidence, believing in their potential, and looking forward with a positive attitude—just as Advent reminds us to look forward to Christ's coming.



Let's Celebrate our Feast Day Together!

Our families are welcome to attend as we will be celebrating our Advent/Feast Day Mass on Friday, December 5, 2025 @ 12:45 p.m. with celebrant Father Carlos. Our Junior teachers and students will be leading the mass accompanied by the beautiful voices of our choir led by our music teacher Ms. Sorrento. Hope to see you there.



News from the Teacher-Librarian, Ms. Salvaggio

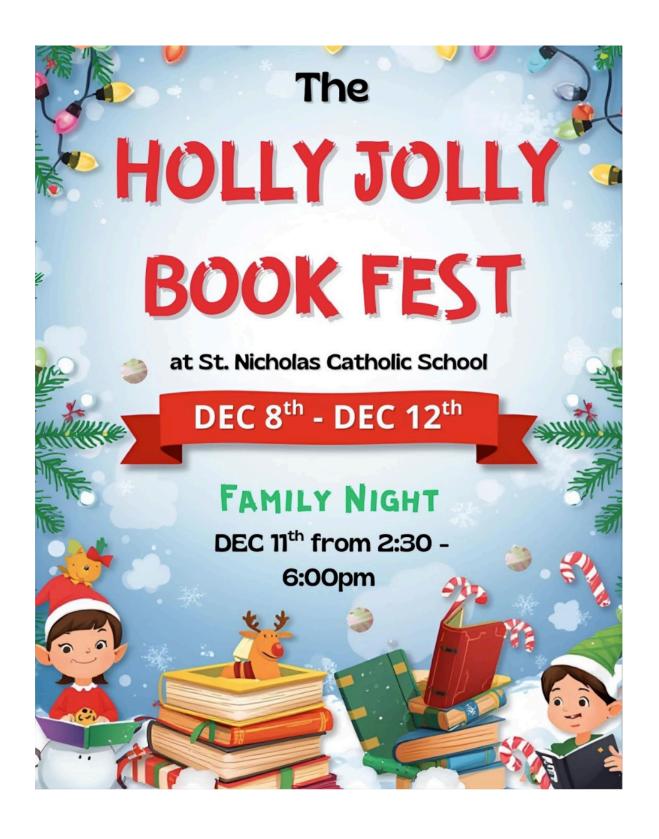
We're excited to announce that the Holly Jolly Book Fest is coming to St. Nicholas School from December 8th-12th! Be sure to check out our Scholastic Book Fair website and our book fair poster below for more details. We can't wait to

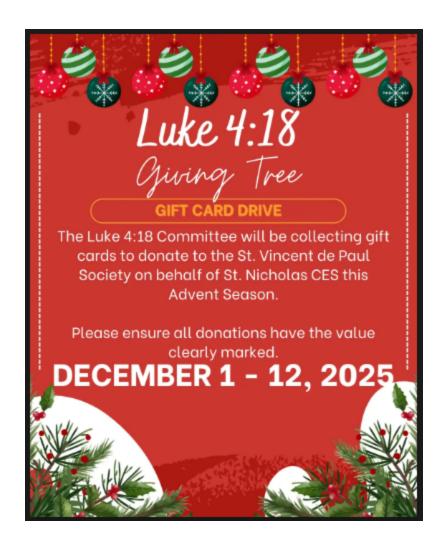
celebrate the joy of reading with you!

https://bookfairs.scholastic.ca/bf/stnicholascatholicsch5

SNS is celebrating the 12 Days of STREAMAS from December 4th to December 19th!

These are 12 Christmas themed STREAM challenges that classes can participate in during the 12 days leading up to the holiday break. Each challenge encourages students to use STREAM skills: Science, Technology, Religion,. Engineering, Art, and Mathematics. These challenges also promote creativity, problem-solving, teamwork, and critical thinking. We can't wait to start the holiday season with the magic of STREAM!







WINTER WONDERLAND PHOTO DAY

Together with BrightPics, our photographer, we are excited to offer families the opportunity to have their children photographed on December 9th, 2025! Feel free to have your child dress in their favourite outfit for this special occasion. Each child will have one photo taken, either individually or with siblings.

The cost is **\$10 per photo**. If you would like your child to participate, please complete and return the attached <u>Order Form</u> along with \$10 to the school on or before December 9th. We look forward to capturing these wonderful memories for your family.



CSC News

Thank you to our CSC for organizing our Christmas Fundraiser. The orders have now closed and distribution of the products will be on December 11th from 3-6pm. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

<u>Understanding the Digital World: Suggested Documentaries</u>

Here are some excellent documentaries on this topic that are really informative. Documentaries

- Childhood 2.0 (YouTube)
 - Discusses how phones, social media, and constant online access have radically changed childhood, contributing to depression, anxiety, cyberbullying, and screen addiction
- The Social Dilemma (Netflix)
 - Shows how social media companies impact consumer behavior, leading to addiction, polarization, and mental health harms
 - Shows the societal risk of these platforms

If anyone is interested in joining our committee to help raise awareness within the school community, please contact_patriciakalligosfyris@gmail.com.

Wishing you a great week ahead!

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