



St. Patrick's Elementary School November Updates

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 STUDENT PHOTO RETAKEs	2 All Souls Day School Mass	3 Grade 7 Girls' Volleyball Tournament	4	5 8:15 a.m. Mass for Grades 4&5
8 Yoga Workshop	9 Girls' Volleyball	10 Remembrance Day School Assembly	11 Remembrance Day NO SCHOOL	12 8:15 a.m. Mass for Grades 2&3
15	16	17 Grade 7 Boys' Volleyball Tournament	18	19 NO SCHOOL CISVA Networking Day
22 Kinder & Grade 1 Owl Workshop	23 Boys' Volleyball Finals	24	25 K-7 First Nations Storytelling Workshop Purdy's Chocolate pick-up in the gym	26 Parent, Student, Teacher Conference and Family Photos with Santa
29 Grade 7 Musical Recording	30 K-7 Musical Recording Wear Costumes (see notice) PEC Meeting	1 K-7 Musical Recording Wear Christmas Colors	2	3

One Family, One Hope In Christ



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11 November

St. Patrick's Elementary School acknowledges that we are gathered, learn and work on the traditional and unseeded territory of the Coast Salish people, including the territories of the Squamish, Musquem and Tstsleil Wututh Nation.

A Note from the PEC

Thank you to all the families that have signed up and started their participation duties. Your participation in this program is instrumental to the effective operation of various aspects of our school and is greatly appreciated by all. Thank you also to the families who are awaiting further instruction from their PEC leads. Your patience is appreciated as details are finalized for a safe return to certain duties. Please rest assured that if you've been in contact with your PEC lead, there will be opportunities to complete your hours throughout the year. Communication is KEY so please reach out if you haven't already heard from or spoken to a PEC lead about your participation hours (participation@spev.ca). Natalia & her team are in full swing with Yard Duty. Thank you to all the families that provide yard supervision. Because of you, the children are able to get outside and play safely. Valerie & her team have started fundraising initiatives. Please remember to get your Purdy's orders in before November 15. Also keep an eye out for the annual poinsettia fundraiser which will be happening in the next few weeks. These are 2 great ways to cross some Christmas gifts off your list, while supporting the school!

Stock up early with some sweet treats from Purdy's Chocolate

Link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1195269-86650>

Or purchase a locally-grown poinsettia plant. By purchasing a beautiful plant, not only will you be spreading holiday cheer, you will also be supporting an amazing cause right here in our community. This is another opportunity to meet your fundraising commitment if you have not already done so. More details will be sent out via REMIND

Referral Incentive Program

Often when new students come to St. Patrick's Elementary School, they end up telling us that it was a family member or a friend that referred them to us. The power of your referrals is something SPEV wants to reward and is introducing a new program to do so. See the attached notice. The referral form can be found on the school website under the REGISTRATION tab.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Parent, Student and Teacher Conference - November 26 2021

Parents are asked to book a time (information was sent out via REMIND) for the parent, student and teacher conferences. We ask that families enter the school through the front doors following the floor markings to their child's classroom. Masks must be worn at all times and parents are to complete the daily health check prior to entry. Your child's teacher will let you in the classroom once they are ready. Once in the classroom, families will sit in a designated area for the conference. After the conference, families are asked to leave the school quickly exiting through the north door (door to the playground).

Photos with Santa – November 26 2021 School Fundraiser

Orders due by November 18th. Two 5x7 prints for \$10.00. Each student or family will sit for two poses, one with Santa and one without; just the family. So, dress your best!

The photos will be held in the school gymnasium. Families are asked to wait by the door. A staff member will bring you in at your designated timeslot.

Families are asked to book their photo time; the order form has already been sent to families on REMIND.



Santa Photos
from 2020-2021

Christmas Musical

With COVID-19 still very active in communities and for the safety of our unvaccinated students and school community members we have decided that it would be best to not have an in-person Christmas Musical but to once again prepare a digital recording. Order forms will be sent out via REMIND later in the month.

Recording Schedule

- Grade 7 students are asked to wear their Nutcracker Costumes to school, Kindergarten wear angel costumes and or gym uniform on Monday, November 29th 2021.
- K-7 students are asked to wear their Christmas Musical Costumes to school on Tuesday, November 30th 2021.
- All students are asked to come to school on Wednesday, December 1 wearing Christmas colors and accessories.

Costume Requirements for Monday November 29th 2021

Kindergarten: More information will be provided soon, however half the class will be Angels - white clothing with wings and half the class will be Animals – gym clothing as animal costume will be provided.

Grade 7: students will be informed of their individual costume needs.

Costume Requirements for Tuesday November 30th 2021

Kindergarten & Grade 1: Wear your Sunday Christmas Best.

Grade 2 & 3: All Black Clothing.

Grade 4 & 5 Girls: Light pinks, purples and blue clothing, wings, tiaras and crowns.

Grade 4 Boys: Black pants and a plain purple top.

Grade 5 Boys: Black pants and a plain red top.

Grade 6: Red and White clothing and accessories.

Grade 7: Black and or white pants and top, aprons, and wooden spoons.

Agape Street Ministry

This Catholic Christian Street Outreach Ministry helps the women on the streets of Vancouver who have fallen into despair. We will be collecting candies for the ladies, so please bring your extra Halloween candy that your children collected to the office by November 12th. Our grade 7 students will then sort through the candy, make candy bags and add a message of God's love for them. Thank you for your donation!

Calendar Date Change:

Please note, Wednesday, February 16 2022 will be a 12:00 noon dismissal due to a Staff Professional Development Opportunity.

SPEV turns 100:

Follow us on Instagram [@spev100years](https://www.instagram.com/spev100years) to see how we will be celebrating this milestone.



OCTOBER WAS BUSY!
Thank you for all your Support.

WALK-A-THON

Thank you to Ms. Laureles for designing the awesome Hawaiian themed Celtic T-shirt. Thank you to our grade 7 students for planning our beach theme. They knew that God would bless us with amazing beach weather! The sun was shining and our students were happy. Thank you to our parent volunteers, for helping us cross the roads safely. We could not have done this walk-a-thon without you!

And finally, thank you to all our families for your support, collecting pledges and your prayers. Because of the amazing work that you have done, we not only reached our goal but beat it. I am pleased to announce that this year's walkathon raised \$26,264.00. WOW!!!!!! We have now booked some exciting new speakers, presenters and experiences for our students because of you! Congratulations to our entire school community!

Walk-a-thon Prize winners: Celtic Shoe (student who raised the most money) Boyton Cheng Grade 7 and Candice Gattoc Grade 6 both raised \$750.00 each.

Students who raised \$150.00 or more were entered into a draw. These were the draw winners

Tahari Villafuerte, Selita George, Xavier Fong, Megan Ball, Delphine Nedelec, Hadley Drebit, Amelia Zalamea, Adrian Meteoro, Jasmine Ausa, Olivia Csomor, Brady Johal, Willona Bandiola, Cruz Gonzalez, Edna Amanuel, Corey Strudwick, and Gabbiel De Leon

Class that raised and collected the most money collectively – Congratulations Grade Two!



Hip Hop Dance:

Once again, thank you to our parents and to the Parent Support Group (PSG) for supporting this workshop. The students had a blast! A recording has been made and is in the process of being edited. Once we have received this, we will send it out to families.

Book Fair:

The Scholastic Book Fair was held on October 25th – 29th 2021. It was a breath of fresh air to be able to hold this event in person. Thank you to our community for your remarkable support. I hope your children will enjoy reading all those books that you purchased for them. Thank you to all the parents that helped prepare, sell and supervise at the Book Fair. We could not have done it without you!

Halloween:

While it was unfortunate that we were unable to hold this year's Halloween Costume Parade in person, I hope that you were able to enjoy the short videos that were sent out via Google Classroom and Seesaw. It sure was fun seeing the students make the most of the day. Their costumes were creative and "spooktacular" and the staff totally rocked it out as Rock Stars! Congratulations to all the students who won The Best Dressed in their class. Students were asked to bring \$2.00 to participate. All proceeds from this event will be donated to Chalice. For a number of years, we have been sponsoring two children and once again because of your support we will continue this ministry. Thank you for your continued support to Chalice. Chalice is a Catholic international aid charity focused on child, family, and community development.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster for the arrival of their precious baby girl, Lola Mae Lancaster. Mrs. Lancaster thanks our school community for their well wishes and prayers. We ask God to bless them, protect them and keep them all safe.

May God Bless You!

Mrs. Diane Sorochuk, Principal



ST. PATRICK'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

REFERRAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Often when new students come to St. Patrick's Elementary (SPEV), they end up telling us that it was a family member or a friend that referred them to us. The power of your referrals is something SPEV wants to reward and is introducing a new program to do so.

The **St. Patrick's Elementary School Vancouver (SPEV) Student Referral Incentive Program** awards a currently registered SPEV family with a **\$200 tuition credit** for each new student who is referred to the school, is successfully accepted into the school and attends SPEV for the full academic school year. Refer a family that enrolls two students and receive a \$400 tuition credit; refer a family that enrolls three students and receive a \$600 tuition credit.

The rules of the referral program are outlined below:

- The Student Referral Incentive Program applies to current SPEV families, teachers and staff (excluding Principal).
- To be eligible for the referral incentive, the "referring" family must have at least 1 child currently enrolled & attending the school. Eligible teachers and staff must be currently employed by the school.
- The "referring" family will receive a tuition credit as outlined above if the new "referred" family is successfully accepted into the school according to standard enrollment criteria and completes a full academic year at the school.
- The "referring" family must also remain enrolled for the entire academic year.
- The "referred" family must be a **new** family to the school. This means that a "referred" family cannot include the following: St. Patrick's parishioners, families with a child already attending the school, families that have had a child (or children) previously enrolled at the school, families that are currently attending St. Patrick's preschool.
- There is no limit to the number of students that can be referred.
- The tuition credit incentive will be applied to the last payment of the school year. Families who paid their tuition in full will receive the credit on the next year's tuition or will receive an incentive cheque if they are graduating out of the school. Teachers and staff (excluding the principal) making referrals will receive an incentive cheque equal to the amount of the tuition credit.
- To qualify, the "referring family" must fill out the Referral Incentive Program form and have the new, prospective family present it upon initial contact with the school. The form must be completed and signed when they first make contact with the school. The prospective family should be instructed to bring the completed form to the school office.
- Newly referred families who enroll after December **and** also re-register for the following academic school year will result in the tuition credit award being applied to the following school year provided that the "referred" family remains enrolled for the entire academic year.
- Failure to submit the completed Referral Incentive Program form will make the "referring" family ineligible for the incentive.
- This program does not apply to referrals into the Preschool.
- Interpretation of program parameters is at the discretion of the Principal and Pastor.