

SPEV NEWS

WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2022

**ST. PAT'S
1922-2022**

**MANDATORY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
& MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT**

Thursday, September 8th 2022 6:00 p.m. in the school gym

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

| SUN | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SAT |
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| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 First Day of School Doors will open at 8:40 a.m. Dismissal 10:30 a.m. SPEV's Birthday Party 10:30 -11:30 a.m. | 7 | 8 10:00 a.m. Mass with Archbishop Miller. All are Welcome! 6:00 p.m. MANDATORY AGM & MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT FOR PARENTS | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 <i>Main St. car free day</i> | 19 | 20 | 21  Gr. 6 & 7 outdoor education camp | 22 | 23  | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29  orange shirt day Gr. 6 immunizations | 30  National Day for Truth and Reconciliation | 1 |



Celtic NEWS

Week of August 29, 2022



ST. PATRICK'S ELEMENTARY VANCOUVER

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As the new school year quickly approaches, I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome both the returning families and our new families to Saint Patrick's Elementary School.

WELCOME TO THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR!

As the summer break winds down and we inch closer to the beginning of the new school year, an excitement builds with the prospect of once again seeing and teaching our students and helping them build a deeper relationship with God!

An excitement is also building as we prepare to celebrate the 100th birthday of Catholic Education at St. Patrick's Elementary School. Over the last year, a team of dedicated volunteers have been preparing a celebration for the start of this school year! We thank you for your hard work!

Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Meet the Teacher Night Thursday, September 8th 2022

This is a Mandatory Meeting - one parent/guardian must attend. Parents are to meet in the gym at 6:00 p.m. Following the AGM, you will meet your child's teacher and familiarize yourself with the curriculum, routines and expectations in your child's classroom. Parents are then asked to return to the gym where they will then meet with their PEC lead member to learn more about the Parent Participation Program, duties and responsibilities.

St. Patrick's Birthday Celebration Schedule

Tuesday, September 6th 2022

Students will be dismissed at 10:30 a.m. into the basketball court area where we will gather as a community with parents to celebrate the School's Birthday. In case of poor weather we will hold the celebration in the gym.

Parents are asked to join us from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. where we will enjoy entertainment from DJ Rachel, Cupcakes, Photo backdrops and more

Thursday, September 8th 2022

We welcome you to join us for our first Mass of the school year in honour of both the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our School Centennial.

Following Mass, we will be hosting an Alumni Reception. Please join us in Shamrock Hall from 11:00 -12:30 p.m. Light refreshments, Coffee and Tea will be served.





Tuesday, September 6: Doors to the school will open at 8:40 a.m.

We will continue with the Drive Thru morning drop off only. Please remember to drive slowly 10km per hour or less, this means your foot should always be on the brake pedal. Drive all the way to the front of the line so we can fit more cars in the stopping area. For student safety, students ideally should be seated on the right side of the car. Staff will assist if your car is set for child lock. The gate will open at 8:30 a.m. More information can be found on the school website.

Students who walk or take transit can enter the school via the gate on Quebec Street at 8:30 a.m. or use the pedestrian walkway that has been marked with cones. Please remember that this is for students only and will open at 8:30 a.m. Families that arrive earlier than 8:30 a.m. are to stay with their children as there is no staff supervision.

The doors to the school will open at 8:40 a.m. Students will then be directed to go straight to their classrooms after sanitizing their hands.

Staff will be outside to assist all new students.

We will no longer be using the after school drive thru process. Instead, please park your car, pick up your children, meet the staff and if you have some extra time socialize with each other.

COVID-19 Update

- Our Communicable Disease Prevention Plan which focusses on reducing the risk of transmission of communicable diseases (including COVID-19) will be readily available on the school website.
- We will continue to regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces which can help prevent the spread of communicable diseases.
- When weather permits, windows will remain open.
- We will facilitate regular opportunities for hand hygiene including sanitizing hands when entering and leaving school.
- Staff, other adults entering the school, parents, caregivers, and students should not come to school if they are sick and unable to participate fully in routine activities. It is encouraged to continue completing daily health check which should be done prior to arrival at school.
- The decision to wear a mask is now a personal choice based on individual preference as it is no longer recommended by public health. Students and staff who choose to continue wearing a non-medical mask or personal prevention measure will have their choice respected.

