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April 2025 Newsletter

Upcoming School Closures

Please keep these dates in mind, as some of the dates the school will be closed will not coincide with the public school calendar.

April	May	June
Early Dismissal Thursday, April 17 Noon	Victoria Day Monday, May 19	No School Monday, June 9
Good Friday Monday, April 18	Non Instructional Day Tuesday, May 20	Noon Dismissal – Sports Day Friday, June 13th
Easter Monday Monday, April 21		Family Picnic Friday, June 20 Students dismissed at 100pm at the school.

Parking Lot and Traffic Safety

Please be reminded that it is not possible to drive onto the school parking lot between the hours of 7:30am to 4:30pm daily.

Pick up for Afterschool Club

We have noticed a number of people driving into the lot to pick up for Afterschool Club before 4:30pm. Please follow the parking regulations as it also applies to parents of those who are in Afterschool Club. Track is starting soon and there will be more children in the parking lot afterschool.

Track Season – Grade 1 to Grade 7

Our track season will begin and our primary and intermediate teams will be returning from the park at various times after school. Since students on the track team will be dismissed from the parking lot, we need to keep our students safe, and the most important way to accomplish this goal is to stop driving onto the parking lot. Thank you for your understanding and compliance with this safety request. **Parking lot is closed until 430pm.**

Parking Safety

We continue to receive complaints from our neighbours about our parents driving too fast and dropping off children in the middle of the street. Please be reminded of our ONE WAY system where parents must travel north to south on Fleming Street. Do not drop off your children on the opposite side of the street and send them across; it is very dangerous to do so.

One Way System:

Turn right on to Fleming Street from 15th Avenue **ONLY**.

DO NOT turn right to Fleming Street from 18th Avenue.

A reminder to please not block the ally way and our neighbour's drive ways.

A message from our Principal, Mr. Michael Schultz

Dear Parents,

I would like to begin by welcoming all of you back to school after our Spring Break. While the weather was not exactly what we might have hoped for, I hope that your family had a restful time. I was happy to see all of the kids again today, as they brighten up our school regardless of the weather.

Spring brings beginnings for several exciting events and programs. Our grade two and seven students continue to prepare for the Sacraments, in which they will receive a greater share in God's grace. We are also beginning our track and field season this week, which is always exciting. I am also enjoying hearing the students preparing for our Celebration of the Arts, which will occur in the next few months.

We have now made it halfway through our Lenten journey. As we all prepare our hearts for the risen Lord, I encourage you to spend more time as a family in prayer as we will do as a school family. This is such an important part of the life of the church, and we want to make sure we make the best of it. Please continue to pray for continued blessings on our school community. Thank you for all that you do to support your children and our school



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Track & Field 2024-2025

Practice days:

Mondays, Tuesdays and
Thursdays

Primary Students

School Playground & Clark
Park
2:45pm to 3:30pm

Intermediate Students

Clark Park
2:45pm-4:00pm

****All students will be
dismissed from the school in
the school parking lot.**

Discus and Shotput

Tuesday and Thursday
mornings
8:00am – 8:40am
Clark Park at the baseball
field.

Volunteer Opportunity

If you would like to help the
coaches at practice, please
check onVolunteers to sign
up.

Sacraments

Communion

We will celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 10th at St. Joseph's Parish at 5:00pm.

Confirmation

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, June 3rd at 7:00pm at St. Joseph's Parish.

Holy Week | Monday, April 14th to Thursday, April 17th

On Wednesday, April 16th our grade seven students will lead us in the Stations of the Cross. All students were able to walk through the Stations by completing a variety of reflections prepared by our grade sevens. After completing the Stations of the Cross, each class will engage in reflective Lenten activities in their own classroom.

On Holy Thursday, April 18th, we will meditate upon the Sorrowful Mysteries as we will pray a Living Rosary at our gym.

Easter Weekend

The school will be closed on Good Friday, April 18th and on Easter Monday, April 21st. School will resume as usual on Tuesday, April 22nd.

We wish you a blessed and peaceful Easter together with your loved ones.

Class Photos | Tuesday, April 8th

Our class photos will be taken on Tuesday, April 8th by Artona Studios. Please make sure that your children come to school in full uniform, including sweaters and proper school shoes. We want everyone to look great for this moment in time!

St. Joseph's Spelling Bee | Intermediate Grades

Each student from grades four through seven will take part in the St. Joseph's Spelling Bee at its various stages. Our Spelling Bee in school finals will be held on Tuesday, April 15th at 1:00pm in the school gym. Parents are most welcome to attend! On that day, the four finalists from the intermediate classrooms will compete. The top speller from our school bee will represent our school at the CISVA Spelling Bee at the end of the month.

Lenten Boxes

Thank you for your ongoing contribution to the Lenten boxes. Please return your boxes by Friday, April 25th. Thank you for your support of the seminarians of the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Please keep our seminarians in your prayers.

Raffle Tickets












Raffle Tickets were sent home before spring break. The draw is— May 5th - so there will be lots of time to sell tickets.

Each family will be issued one book of tickets, and more will be available if you are able to sell more! If you would be interested in selling tickets after the weekend Masses please let the office know. Remember that extra fundraising counts to hours at \$15/hr. All tickets sold and unsold must be returned to the office by Monday, April 28th.

Science Challenge

Students will be taking part in a science challenge for the month of April. Students will create an egg drop device. We ask for donations of toilet or paper towel rolls, cereal boxes or non-corrugated cardboard. Donations for these items are much appreciated and can be dropped off until April 22nd.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1 Primary and Intermediate Track Begins Spelling Bee written - In class (tentative) 	2	3	4  9am Mass Grade 2	5
6	7 Assembly	8  Group Picture Day Classroom Spelling Bee 	9	10	11  9am Mass Grade 6	12
13	14	15 Spelling Bee (Gym) 	16  Stations of the Cross and Lenten Retreat	17 Holy Thursday Living Rosary Sorrowful Mysteries Gr6 Noon dismissal 	18 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL	19
20 Easter Sunday 	21 EASTER MONDAY NO SCHOOL 	22	23 Fire Drill	24	25  9am Mass Grade 4	26
27	28 Assembly	29	30	1	2	3