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**St. Charles Catholic
Elementary School**

November 14, 2025

Dear Families,

We hope you and your families enjoyed a peaceful and restorative Fall Break. As we return to school, we are grateful for the opportunity to continue growing together in faith, learning, and community.

Next week, we look forward to welcoming you for our Parent-Teacher Interviews. These conversations are an important part of our shared mission, allowing us to celebrate your child's gifts, discuss their progress, and set goals rooted in faith and learning. We deeply value the partnership we share with our families and appreciate your ongoing support.

To book your appointment please use the following link:

<https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/stchs> The link will remain open until November 19.

Please note that these appointments are 10 minutes long. If you require more time, we encourage you to reach out directly to your child's teacher to arrange an alternative time for a call or in-person meeting.

With gratitude,

Laurie Bonanni-McGee

Principal

Erin Pruski

Assistant Principal



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Chief Superintendent Message [November 2025 Message](#)



School News

Please continue to check our website calendar regularly for news and events, <https://stcharles.ecsd.net/> you can download the calendar to your devices.

St. Charles is on Instagram! This is where you will find a snapshot of the upcoming week and some great photos of what is happening. Follow us at: [stcharles_ecsd](#)



IMPORTANT: On Thursday, **November 20**, we will be holding our Parent/Child/Teacher conferences.

These will be scheduled 10 minute meetings, starting at 1:00 pm-5:00 pm. We will send more information and a booking link on November 14.

Metis Week- November 10-16

Métis Week is an annual commemoration held in November to honour the culture, heritage, and contributions of the Métis people, in Canada. Students will learn more about Métis identity, and the ongoing contributions of the Métis Nation.



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Important Reminders:



Introducing SpacesEDU:

Access Your Child's Learning Portfolio

We're excited to introduce SpacesEDU, a new platform that provides you with insights into your child's learning journey! SpacesEDU allows you to view evidence of your child's progress across subjects.

Through this portfolio, you'll see samples of their work, reflections, and other achievements, providing a broader view of their learning and growth.

Please follow the instructions in the attached link to download the SpacesEDU app on your smart device for easy access. You will receive an email inviting you to SpacesEDU, don't forget to check your "junk mail".

We look forward to sharing your child's educational journey with you!

<https://resources.spacesedu.com/en/getting-started-guide-for-families/>



School Advisory Council

Our **School Advisory Council (SAC)** plays an important role in building a strong school community, and we need your help.

January 7 @ 6:30 in the library

March 4 @ 6:30 in the library

May 6 @ 6:30 in the library

June 3 @ 6:30 in the library

Thank you to our SAC for approving \$21,900 towards more technology and \$40.00 per student allocation to cover school experiences!

The financial report, minutes, and principal report are now available on the school



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website.



CAN YOU HELP?

Our Community League is in need of anyone willing to help flood and maintain the rink, they are also in need of anyone that wants to volunteer at the rink shack to allow an indoor space for washrooms, warming and tying skates.

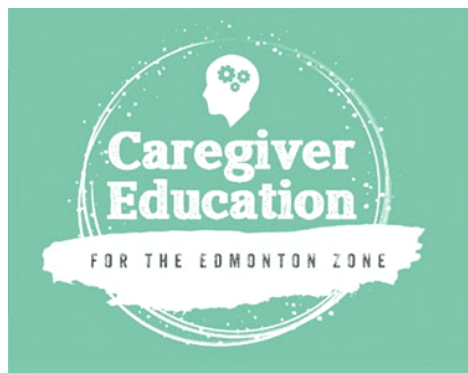
Our school is hoping to use the rink as part of our physical education program. It would be great to have our students skate on our community rink!

Please contact Jared at Rinkmanager@baturyn.ca



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Supporting Wellness in our Schools and Families



Alberta Health Services is proud to offer FREE online programming for parents and caregivers who support children and youth, as well as sessions for adults looking to support their own wellness. Sessions are live and interactive. Our aim is to increase awareness and reduce the stigma around addiction and mental health challenges, provide participants with evidence-based information, and offer strategies that

promote health and resilience. [Click to learn more.](#)

Important Phone Numbers

- Recovery Alberta Children Youth & Families Centralized Intake Services: 1-780-342-4415
- Recovery Alberta Crisis and Stabilization Team: 780-407-1000
- Canadian Mental Health Association Distress Line: (780) 482-4357
- Kids Help Phone: Phone 1-800-668-6868 • Text 686868 • Message online kidshelpphone.ca

Winter Clothing

For families requiring assistance with winter clothing, please contact our office. We have sizes available. Thank you to our Knights of Columbus, and our families for the generous donations.

Parish News

Please visit [St. Charles Parish](#) for more on what is happening in our Parish.



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HEALTHY HUNGER - December 5-IHop

1. **All orders MUST be placed 5 days prior to the lunch date.** In most cases, this will be a Sunday.
2. If for some reason you placed an order and your child will not be attending school that day, changes can be made up until the 5 day mark. After that day, NO CHANGES may be made. There are 3 options that can be done in the instance that your child is unable to attend that day.....
 - a. **You may come and pick up your child's lunch after 12 noon**
 - b. **You may donate it to another child of your choice**
 - c. **You may allow the office to donate it to a child in need of a lunch**

In all instances, please call the office ASAP, to let them know what we should do with your child's lunch. If we have not heard from a parent by 11:00 AM your child's lunch will be donated so it does not go to waste. **Next Dates are:** December 5 - ihop, January 9 - Subway, February 6- Little Caesar's, March 6 - DQ



BusPlanner Delays App

We encourage our families who have children who take the bus to download the BusPlanner Delays App on their mobile phones to receive late bus notifications. Instructions are located on [Yellow Bus Delays - Edmonton Catholic Schools](#)



Upcoming Events:

We have also included the link to the Division Calendar for next year. [ECSD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026](#)

School Wide Events Planned for 2025/2026:

- November 13- Alberta Opera- Pinocchio
- Feb. 2- 13-Alien Inline Skating K-6 (tentative)
- Feb. 13- Family Winter Carnival-
- Feb.17- Shrove Tuesday- Pancakes for School Community
- Snow Valley Skiing Lessons-Grade 4- 6
- Symphony at the Winspear for Grade 1-6 (Edu Concerts)
- March 18- Family Math Games Night
- April 10- April 24 Groovebox Hip Hop Residency

Subject to Change

Focus: PEACE NOVEMBER 2025	
November 14-19	School Interviews booking open for Parent/Child/Teacher interviews
Sunday November 16	World Day of the Poor
November 18	COSC (Community of School Councils) Evening
Thursday November 20	Parent / Child/ Teacher Interviews 1:00 -5:00 PM (appointments only)

Focus: CHARITY DECEMBER 2025 Advent	
December 1	First Advent Celebration/ Blessing of the Wreaths 8:30 AM Fort Edmonton Park Field Trip for grade 1
Thursday December 4	Elementary Volleyball Tournament Cardinal Leger
Friday December 5	School Spirit Day- School Assembly
December 8	Grade 6 Immunization Full Day- Learning Commons Closed
December 9	Grade 6 to Legislature Picture Retake Day
Thursday December 11 & Friday Dec. 12	Christmas Concert K-3 @ 6:30 PM in the church, K-3 matinee 10:30 at the school Christmas Concert 4-6 @ 6:30 PM in the church, 4-6 matinee 1:30 at the school (300 Chairs, 1x 6ft Narrow Risers- arriving Dec. 10, pick up Dec. 15)
December 15-19	Christmas Spirit Week: 15- Christmas Door Decorating 16- Dress Like An Elf 17- Wear Advent Colors/ Red & Green Theme Day 18- Christmas Sweater/ Polar Express 19- PJ Day/ Festive Wear
Thursday December 18	Full Day (Early Dismissal Cancelled)
December 19	Early Dismissal – Christmas Break begins
December 22-Jan. 2	Christmas Vacation





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