

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



ST. MICHAEL'S
SCHOOL

7

April 2025

Principal's Message:

"Rise Above. Inspire Greatness."

Dear Parents and Families,

Last Sunday, we marked the beginning of Holy Week with Palm Sunday—our school Music Ministry was honoured to lead the music. As a school community, we will continue our journey through Holy Week with a special liturgy on Holy Thursday at 9 a.m. in the school gym. Parents and families are warmly invited to join us for this meaningful time of prayer and reflection.

As we approach the Easter weekend, I encourage you to take this sacred time to truly slow down and be present with your family.

In the midst of what can often become a very busy season—filled with travel, meals, gatherings, and yes, chocolate!—may we not lose sight of the heart of Easter: the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.



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This Easter, consider stepping away from screens and distractions to be fully present with your children.

These moments of connection—shared meals, quiet conversations, laughter, and prayer—are what build lasting memories and nurture the hearts of those we love most. Let this time be an opportunity to rest, to reflect, and to grow closer together in faith and love.

In remembering Jesus' sacrifice and glorious resurrection, we are reminded of His message of compassion, forgiveness, and hope. Jesus reached out to the outcast, showed mercy to the brokenhearted, and offered love without condition.

As we walk in His footsteps, may we also reflect and begin the Easter season with renewed responses to the following questions:

- Do I live with compassion?
- Am I inclusive of others?
- Do I seek to forgive, to understand, and to love as Jesus does?

On behalf of all the staff at St. Michael's School, we wish you and your family a joyful, peaceful, and blessed Easter. May your hearts be renewed with the hope and light of the Risen Christ.

With warmest wishes and God's blessings,

♥ Karen Schmidt - Principal



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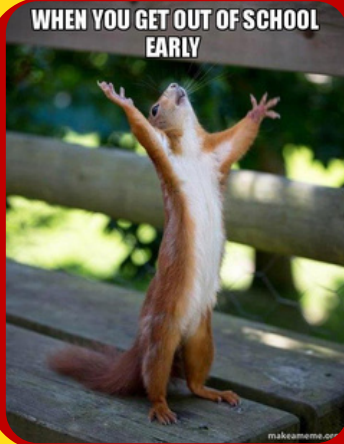
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REMINDERS & INFORMATION



Leaving Early?!

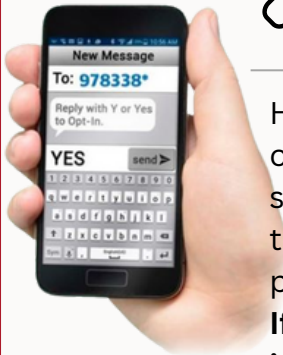
If your child needs to leave school early, please notify the office at 403-627-3488 as early as possible. Please also make sure you sign your child out in the office when they are leaving early!



Arriving Late?!

Please stop in the office to sign in if you arrive to school late! Elementary school students are considered late after 8:30am, and Junior/Senior High students are considered late after 8:40am.

School Communication



Holy Spirit Catholic School Division uses SchoolMessenger to improve our schools' communication with parents and guardians. This service does not replace other school communication methods. It is simply intended to extend beyond what we've traditionally used to ensure timely communications and reduce the amount of papers being sent home.

If you would like to receive text messages for school closures please click here for instructions and more information!

Contact Us:



864 Christie Avenue,
Pincher Creek, AB



403-627-3488



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@stmichaelspc



mikeadmin@holyspirit.ab.ca



<https://smpc.holyspirit.ab.ca/>

Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs
8:00am - 4:00pm

Friday
8:00am - 2:00pm

DRESS CODE:

- No spaghetti straps/halter tops/one shoulder shirts/tube tops.
- Tank top/muscle shirt straps must be at least 4 centimeters in width
- Bra straps must not show
- Underwear, that of both ladies and gentlemen must not show Midriffs must be covered.
- Shorts and skirts must be fingertip length (arms straight down at sides).
- No hoodies with the hood up, sunglasses, during instructional school hours, or during formal extra curricular activities such as the awards ceremonies
- T-shirts/shirts/hoodies must not have advertising which depicts controversial, obscene, rude, inappropriate and/or drugs and alcohol content on them.



**WANTED:
WORKING CAMERAS!!**



Mr. Smith is looking for old (working) cameras for his Photography options class this year. Please drop off any donations at the school office. Thank you!

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL

17 Holy Thursday
Celebration - 9am

18-27 Easter Break
(no school)

19 Easter Volleyball
Classic

20 Easter Sunday



MAY

1 Leadership Movie Night
6pm @ School Gym



7 HATS ON!
For Mental Health



9 GYM Riot



11 SMPC Music @
St. Mike's Church - 10am
Mothers' Day



15 Day on the Creek



Please click the calendar to
the left to view the full year
school calendar!



**April 19
10am**

St. Mike's, PC



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Easter Volleyball Classic 2025

**Co-ed
\$250/Team**

2 divisions:

- Competitive
- Recreational

Proceeds go to
grades 9-11
educational travel
program

Food
Concession
will be
available!

For more info, message Manon Thauvette:
thauvettem@holyspirit.ab.ca - 403-627-7933



*No pinching the rabbit
or the sin*

French Corner

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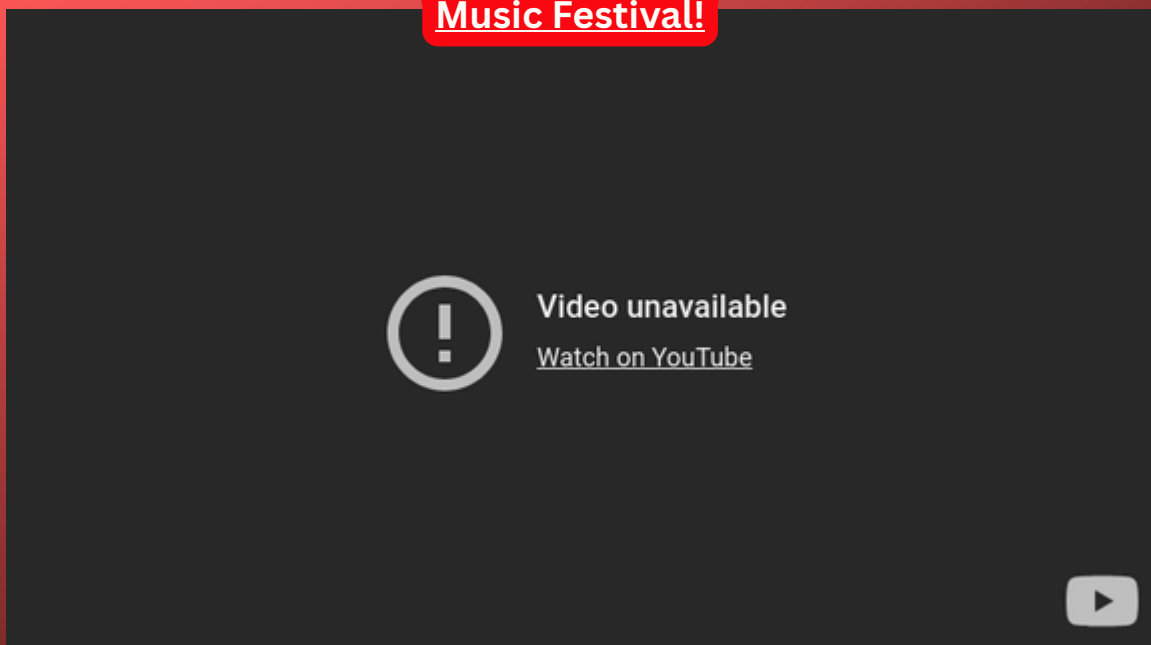
The 2024–2025 school year has been a wonderful opportunity to showcase the incredible talent of our French Immersion students, who performed as a choir for the very first time—participating in both the Community Carol Festival and the 2025 Crowsnest Pass Music Festival.

In December 2024, the children delighted audiences at the Carol Festival with three French Christmas songs, capturing hearts with their joyful performance. Most recently, our French Immersion students at St. Michael's School earned high praise for their outstanding performance at the Crowsnest Pass Music Festival. They received enthusiastic and encouraging feedback from the adjudicator, Mr. Kirk Muspratt.

Mr. Muspratt, who grew up in the Crowsnest Pass and now resides in Chicago, is recognized as one of the leading conductors of the 21st century. It was a true honor to perform for him and to receive such commendation.

The choir presented a diverse repertoire: a medieval piece in Old French (“Je viroie liement” by Guillaume de Machaut), a Romantic-era lullaby by Johannes Brahms, and a lively French sea shanty by The Dreadnoughts, “Pique la baleine.” Over the past three months (January–March), the children embraced the joy of singing together and rose to the challenge of learning new French songs, performing each one with enthusiasm, energy, and skill.

We hope you enjoy the videos of their recent performance at the Crowsnest Pass Music Festival!



[Click here to open video in a new window](#)



FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM

DID YOU KNOW?

Our French Immersion Program starts in Grade 1 or Grade 2!
(No previous French Language or French background required.
Transfers from other programs are welcomed!)

Also offering:



*Support for Parents

Watch on YouTube

Click here to open video in a new window

DID YOU KNOW?

Our French Immersion Program starts in Grade 1 or Grade 2!
No previous French Language or French background required.
Transfers from other programs are welcomed!

Also offering:

- *Support for Parents
- *French Homework Club
- *French infused learning in Kindergarten
- *Exciting field trips and cultural activities
- *Enriched learning and life-long opportunities for your child



Register here NOW!



Phone Number: 403-627-3488
Email: smpcoffice@holyspirit.ab.ca
WEBSITE: [HTTPS://SMPC.HOLYSPIRIT.AB.CA/](https://smpc.holyspirit.ab.ca/)

A PROUD HISTORY FOR OVER 40 YEARS !

A quality, inclusive program offered in French for students in Gr.1-6, in a nurturing PreK-Gr.12 school

Noah's Ark pre- school

registration



Open Registration : February 3, 2025

Please contact Mrs. McCollister if you have any
questions about the program!

Work #: 403-627-3488

Please visit St. Michael's website to register :

smpc.holyspirit.ab.ca

Bright Futures Begin Here

Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

2025/2026 REGISTRATION



Re-Registration Starts January 13, 2025

Families with students currently enrolled in our system should expect an email during the week of January 13-17, 2025 asking that the online "Registration Update Form" be completed for each child attending one of our schools in the 2025/2026 school year.

Parents/guardians who are hoping to register younger siblings new to the division will also have the opportunity to do this at the same time that they re-register older students.

New Student Registration Starts February 3, 2025

All Early Learning to Grade 12 students who are new to the division and wish to enroll for the 2025/2026 school year are invited to register online starting on Monday, February 3, 2025.

- Through play, our **Early Learning Program** is designed to stimulate the growing curiosity of children 3 and 4 years of age.
- **Kindergarten** is designed for children 5 years of age on, or before, December 31, 2025.
- **Grade 1** registrants must be 6 years of age on, or before, December 31, 2025.
- **French Immersion** is also available. Enrollment starts:
 - in Kindergarten/Grade 1 at École St. Mary in Lethbridge.
 - in Grade 1 at St. Michael's School in Pincher Creek.



For More Information

Contact our Early Learning Supervisor to discuss Early Learning or your child's specialized programming requirements by phone (403-381-8495) or email (earlylearning@holyspirit.ab.ca).

To inquire about Kindergarten, you can contact your local school.

Contact our French Language Consultant to discuss French Immersion programming by phone (403-331-4458) or email (urquhartw@holyspirit.ab.ca).

Contact your child's school, or visit the division's website (holyspirit.ab.ca), if you need assistance with the online registration process or have any questions.



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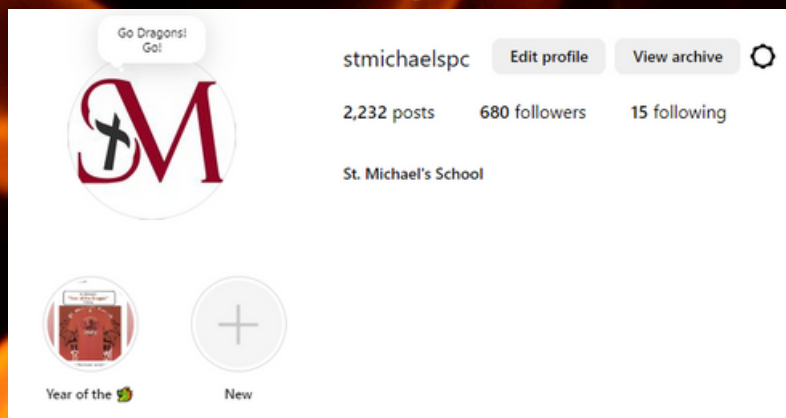
...where children are cherished and achieve their potential.

DRAGON ATHLETICS!

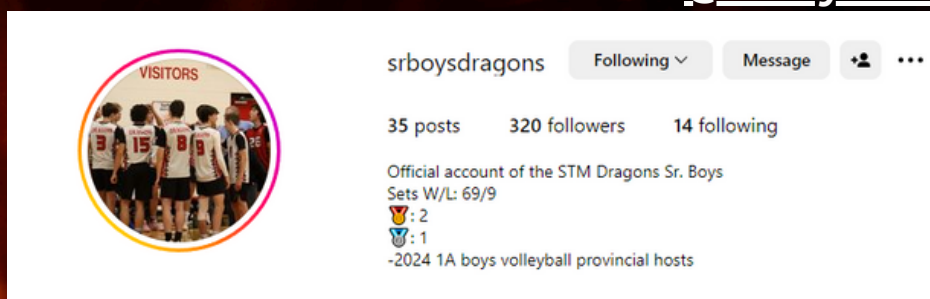
Follow our socials to stay updated!



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[@srboysdragons](#)



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DRAGON ATHLETICS!

ST. MICHAEL'S VOLLEYBALL CAMP JUNE 23-25 , 4-7PM 2025

Register here:



Grades 6-9 Co ed

\$125

via SchoolCashOnline

864 Christie Ave, Pincher Creek

Hosted by the 2024 provincial winning coaches
and players. Call Tyler or Manon at 403-627-3488



Friends of St. Michael's School Foundation

CO-OP GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER



- This is Friends of St. Michael's Foundation's largest fundraiser of the year. Pincher Creek CO-OP generously donates 10% of proceeds off every card bought directly from the Friends Foundation
- Need fuel, groceries, or hardware? Great for stocking stuffers. Cards can be used at any CO-OP location
- Easy to sign-up. Request forms are available at the school office or contact Diana Shortt @ 403.627.7740
- This helps the Foundation support student activities and athletics at St. Michael's School, Pincher Creek
- Thanks to CO-OP and to you for supporting this fundraiser!

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfStMichaels>

friendsofstmichaels23@gmail.com



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WE ARE

HIRING

-EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT-

Do you have a heart for helping young children learn and thrive?
Are you patient, compassionate, and ready to support students with
diverse learning needs?
Looking for a meaningful role where every day brings a chance to make
a difference?
If you answered yes, you could be the caring and dedicated Educational
Assistant we're looking for!

JOB DETAILS IN LINK BELOW ♡

mikeadmin@holyspirit.ab.ca



Link

Saints of the World

Proclaim!

Pilgrims of Hope

St. Dominic Savio

Feast Day: May 6



St. Dominic Savio,
Intercede for us to the Lord.
Inspire us to live a life of innocence,
purity, and love for God
just as you did.

Help us to be a shining example
of faith to those around us,
And to always strive for holiness
in all that we do.

Amen.

St. Dominic Savio — Pray for us!

Holy Spirit Division News

Here in Spirit



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a bigger
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Holy Spirit Catholic Schools Newsletter

Employment Opportunities at a Glance:

OFF-CAMPUS NEWS

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Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

Welcome to Spring!

Anthea Boras, Deputy Superintendent



Welcome to Spring! *"See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come."* — Song of Solomon 2:11-12

As the seasons change, it's a great time to refresh our focus on well-being and renewal. We are fortunate in Holy Spirit School Division to have 100% employer-paid benefits through the Alberta School Employee Benefit Plan (ASEBP), which provides valuable resources to support our overall wellness.

This month, ASEBP's Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP) is rebranding to GreenShield Health. If you haven't already, you should receive a welcome email directly from GreenShield. Please note that this is a branding change only and does not impact the programs and services offered. You can learn more about EFAP [here](#).

In addition to EFAP, ASEBP offers a variety of wellness resources to support your whole-person well-being. Their Wellness Program provides access to mental health supports, financial wellness resources, and health coaching. You can also explore tools for physical wellness, including virtual physiotherapy, nutrition guidance, and digital fitness programs. ASEBP's [Wellness Hub](#) features articles, webinars, and self-care strategies to help you maintain balance in all aspects of your life.

As we step into a new season, take some time to prioritize your well-being and explore the many resources available to support you.

God bless ~ Anthea



Holy Spirit Division News



“Share the Mission” Award Call for Nominations!

Recognizing Those Who Inspire – Nominate Someone Today!

Do you know someone who makes a difference in our school community? The **Share the Mission Award** is your opportunity to recognize those who go above and beyond to serve, lead, and inspire!

This prestigious award honors community members, parents, students, and school staff who:

- Provide outstanding service to students
- Set high standards through leadership and dedication
- Contribute to the faith-filled atmosphere of our schools
- Lead within the community and parish organizations
- Live out the values of the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

Nominations are open until **Friday, June 6, 2025**. If you know someone who deserves to be recognized, submit your nomination today! The recipient will be honored at the division’s Opening Mass.

Nominate now! Use the [online nomination form](#) or contact Rhonda Kawa at kawarh@holyspirit.ab.ca for more details.

Let’s celebrate those who truly make a difference!

Holy Spirit Division News



Help us **Build** a Classroom for St. Odilia School for the Visually Impaired

Holy Spirit Catholic School Division is committed to building up the kingdom of God, and creating Christ-centred learning communities where students are cherished and achieve their potential. In this year's faith plan, *Build! Pilgrims of Hope*, we are reflecting on the passage from Nehemiah 2:18:

I told them that the hand of my God had been gracious upon me, and also the words that the king had spoken to me. Then they said, "Let us start building!" So they committed themselves to the common good.

As part of our common commitment to putting our gifts at the service of the common good, and our examination of Catholic Social Teachings and the Corporal Works of Mercy this year, we have partnered with Chalice in building a new classroom block for St. Odilia School in Zambia. St. Odilia School is a Catholic school run by the Sisters of the Child Jesus. Chalice, the Canadian Catholic child sponsorship organization, has been supporting St. Odilia since 2011 as part of their Kawambwa sponsor site. Over that time, Chalice has installed water and solar power in the school, launched a robust school farm, and supported their campus meal program. Hundreds of Chalice sponsored students attend St. Odilia, as it is one of very few schools in Zambia that serves children with visual impairments, physical disabilities, and albinism. Enrollment is increasing yearly, which means that the school's infrastructure cannot accommodate all of their students comfortably nor offer all of the programs that would support the needs of their students. Our project seeks to build a new classroom block of three classrooms and two offices that would support present students and allow future growth. If you have questions, would like more information, or would like to partner with us in this project, please contact Aaron Skretting at skrettinga@holyspirit.ab.ca or 403-327-9555.

Let all things be done for building up.

1 Corinthians 14:26



LEARN MORE



Chalice



DONATIONS

KEY STATS



Kawambwa
Zambia



495 Students



59 Orphans



99 Most
Vulnerable



28 Total Staff



SWIM CLUB!

SWIM FOR THE LOVE OF IT...SWIM FOR LIFE!
**DOLPHINS IS QUALITY SWIM TRAINING FOR SKILL
DEVELOPMENT AND FUN COMPETITION.**



MINIS/JUNIORS

MON/WED OR TUES/THURS 4-5PM

INTERMEDIATE

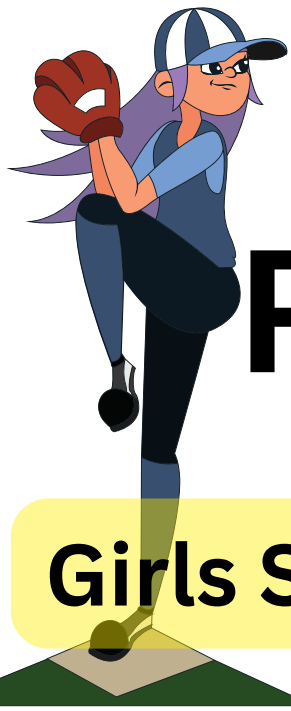
MONDAY TO FRIDAY 5-6 PM

If your child can swim 15 meters, they can be a Dolphin!

DEVELOP SKILLS. STAY ACTIVE.
MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

For more information, please reach out on Facebook or text
Eliza 403-627-9489 or Jessica 403-632-5479

SEASON: MAY 1- JUNE 27
Competition Swimming NOT REQUIRED!



Girls Baseball Players Needed!

**Girls Slowpitch, Grades 4-6 needed
to make a full team.**

**Come out and have some fun and
learn the skills. Practices to be held
at Juan Teran Park and will start
towards the end of April 2025. Days
and times to be determined. There
will be fun games against
Major/Minor Boys' teams.**

**Registration Forms available in the office.
Email: pinchercreek.baseball@gmail.com**

WANTED

SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT

REPRESENTATIVES



- **1 parent representative for each class for Pre-K to grade 6.**
- **1 parent representative for the whole of Junior High**
- **1 parent representative for the whole of Senior High**
 - Get the chance to represent your child's class monthly!
 - Share school news and activities to and with other parents in the class.
 - Get involved in planning & executing fun activities!
 - Meet once a month (1st Tuesdays at 7pm).

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Email: **Kathryn Marsh**
Parent Council Chair



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stmikesschoolcouncil.chair@gmail.com,
mikeadmin@holyspirit.ab.ca



'Tis The Season!!!



*Time to sign-up for our Easter 2026
Trip to England and Scotland!!
For current grades 9-11 ONLY*

*Come explore castles, Scotland's beautiful green hills,
London's landmarks and spend a day at Warner
Bros and become a Hogwarts student for a day!!*

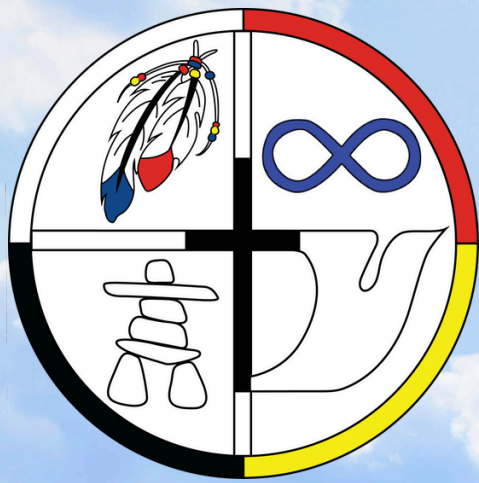
*Contact Manon Thauvette for more
information: 403 627-7933*



**We now accept
Debit/Credit!**



**Come into the office if you'd like to pay for student fees with debit/credit cards!
We can take MasterCard, Visa, AMEX, and apple pay!**



First Nations Metis and Inuit (FNMI)

Sheena Adamson
FNMI Academic Support
(Grad Coach)



Tracy Wolfe (Piitaaki)
First Nations (Niitsitapi), Métis
and Inuit Facilitator



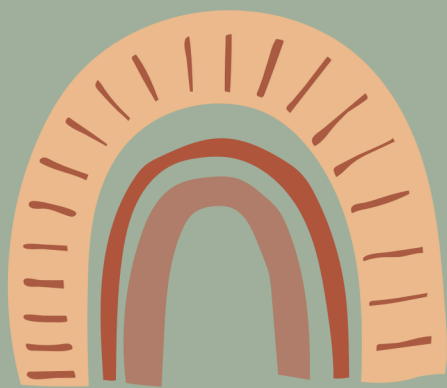
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Iispok'ksikatkimayaa
"Striving for Higher Knowledge"

Thanks to a grant from the Department of Canadian Heritage's Indigenous Languages and Cultures program, our Niitsitapi Facilitator team is hosting a series of language events for families in the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division. We welcome our families to join our team and our Elders throughout the year at various schools. Please contact **Kendrick Fox** foxk@holyspirit.ab.ca or **Shelley Kirkvold** at [403 327-9555 kirkvolds@holyspirit.ab.ca](mailto:403_327-9555_kirkvolds@holyspirit.ab.ca) for more information.

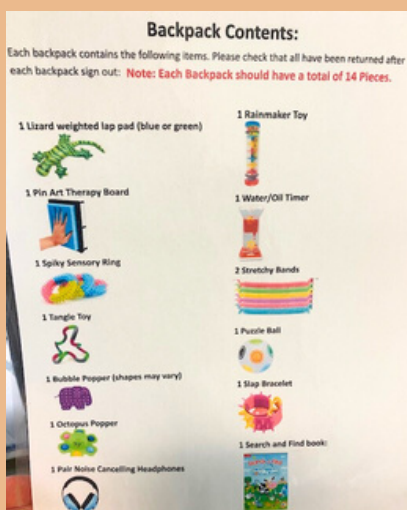
Good news! Billy Woitte, our Indigenous Student Wellness Access Guide (ISWAG) may be able to offer transportation if funding allows.



Family School Liaison Counsellor News

St. Michael's School

SENSORY BACKPACKS



These teaching/learning tools are in a convenient backpack and are ready to borrow!

Please call/text to borrow one! Shay
403-634-2151

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS FOR ALL AGES

<https://www.facebook.com/napifriendshipassociation>

<https://www.pcfamilycentre.ca/calendar>

<https://www.brighterfuturesproject.com/parent-workshops>

<https://www.pincherlearn.ca/>

EXTRA RESOURCES

<https://instituteofchildpsychology.com/resources/>

<https://instituteofchildpsychology.com/freeweinars/>

<https://healthymindslearning.ca/>





Understanding Assessment & Reporting

Grades 1-6

It is important for parents/guardians to understand how their children are doing in school. Research shows that students are most successful with active parent/guardian involvement in their learning.

Assessment happens every day, in every classroom, throughout the school year. Assessing a student's progress is one of the most important ways teachers support the continued learning of our students. Throughout the school day, students engage in learning tasks, activities, and discussions that have been designed by a teacher. Each learning opportunity is connected to the learning outcomes from [Alberta Programs of Studies/Curriculum](#). Teachers regularly use a variety of assessment methods to collect and interpret information about what students know and can do in relation to the intended learning outcomes. The primary purpose of assessment is to **improve student learning**.

Assessment:

- ➡ Guides the development of learning tasks
- ➡ Promotes learner engagement and adaptive learning strategies
- ➡ Leads to adjustments in instruction
- ➡ Is shaped by the nature of the learning outcomes

During a unit of study, students have multiple and varied opportunities to develop, demonstrate, check, and refine their understanding of learning outcomes. Throughout this process, teachers and students engage in formative assessment; a way of checking learning to decide what to do next. Teachers provide timely and descriptive feedback and plan for next steps in learning based on the needs of their students. Students participate in developing criteria for learning tasks, monitor their own progress, provide feedback to their peers, and identify goals and strategies to support their own growth and progress.

What is your child learning in school?

Alberta Education has a resource for parents/guardians who want to know what students are learning at each grade level. Visit [New LearnAlberta](#) to see what your child is learning!

How is my child doing in school?

It's important to know how your child is doing in school. Knowing more about your child's interests, strengths and areas for growth are critical to help you support their learning. Conversations with your child's teachers and the school administration team are great places to ask questions and discuss specific concerns. Beyond these conversations and the ones you have at home with your child, there are a number of ways you can learn more about your child's learning, progress, and achievement.

Where can I find information about how and what my child is doing at school?

Regular communication between you, your child, and their teacher builds an understanding of student achievement over the course of the year. Communication can happen in a variety of ways throughout the year.

- Ongoing reporting through our digital portfolio platform, SpacesEDU, helps you understand how your child is progressing and learning toward grade-level outcomes.
- Informal communication occurs on an ongoing basis and serves to build shared understandings of what students know and can do in day-to-day learning experiences.
- Individual Student Plan (ISP) meetings, office hours, student learning conferences, and/or parent/teacher conferences

- General programming information shared throughout the year (via SpacesEDU or other methods) helps you understand what your child is learning and demonstrates some of their learning experiences, but does not provide details about individual student progress and achievement (e.g., field trips, celebrations of learning, student performances, agendas, etc.)

What does my child's SpacesEDU portfolio tell me?

The SpacesEDU portfolio is an ongoing communication tool about your child's learning. Both teachers and students are encouraged to create posts that share details about the learning but also communicates achievement over time. Most of the posts on your child's SpacesEDU portfolio will include the following components:

- Evidence of the student's work/learning (this may be a photo, video, audio recording or link to a file the student created)
- Curriculum Outcome(s) addressed by the project/learning activity
- Proficiency Scale with an achievement indicator to let you know where your child is at that time in relation to achieving the intended learning outcome
- Feedback/comments from the teacher to indicate areas for growth and suggestions on how to improve

Some SpacesEDU posts may include:

- A rubric that identifies the success criteria of a given learning task/assessment
- A student reflection on their learning
- An opportunity for parents/guardians to respond to the post

What is the Proficiency Scale?

The Proficiency Scale contains the achievement indicators used to describe to what extent a student has demonstrated achievement of Alberta Curricula outcomes. When a teacher attaches an achievement indicator to a post in your child's SpacesEDU portfolio, it serves as an indication of where the student is at a given point in time. The same outcome(s) may be revisited and reassessed throughout the year. Often the achievement indicators will be accompanied by teacher comments, specific to your child's growth, in the SpacesEDU portfolios.

Not Yet	Basic	Proficiency	Excellent
<p>The student has yet to demonstrate an acceptable level of performance in relation to the learner outcome(s). Evidence may be vague or undeveloped. Targeted adjustments to planning and instruction will be necessary for further learning in this area.</p>	<p>The student demonstrates the required level of performance in relation to the learner outcome(s). The student may not demonstrate the required level of performance consistently or may require support. Evidence may be adequate and/or concrete. Adjustments to planning and instruction may be necessary for further learning in this area.</p>	<p>The student demonstrates a good level of performance in relation to the learner outcome(s). The student consistently demonstrates this level of performance. Evidence may be clear and/or well-reasoned. Students achieving this level can be confident in being prepared for further learning in this area.</p>	<p>The student demonstrates an outstanding level of performance in relation to the learner outcome(s). The student consistently demonstrates this level of performance. Students achieving this level have excellent demonstration of grade level outcomes and can be confident in being prepared for further learning in this area.</p>

GOLDEN GARBAGE PROGRAM

I would like to thank all clubs and businesses that helped support the program through their generous donations!

- Friends of St. Michaels
- Knights of Columbus
- Cowley Lions Club
- Pincher Lions Club
- McDonald's Pincher Creek
- The Bright Pearl Restaurant
- COOP Grocery Store
- COOP Gas Bar
- Antonio's Pizza
- Ascent Dental
- Little Tee's Hair Salon

Thank You

With Respect,
TREVOR CLINTON
SCHOOL CARETAKER



St Michael's School

Cell Phone & Personal Electronic Device Policy

(Implemented Jan. 07, 2019/Updated May 2024)

Rationale

Cellphones **are not** considered acceptable devices for educational learning purposes. Although many students have iPhones, and Android phones, iPods, and smart watches, they do not meet the necessary requirements as an accepted learning device. St. Michael's School has Chromebooks, Laptops and iPads available for student use throughout the day.

During Class Time:

Elementary- No cell phones or PED's including smart watches.

Junior High School- Cell phones/PED's can be used on Phone Friday during nutrition break. (Gr 9 allowed their phones during lunch time in the Den)

High School - Cell phones can be used during breaks and spares.

Cell phones and Personal Electronic Devices (PED's) which are brought to school are expected to be placed into the classroom bin at the beginning of every class. Students also have the option to keep their phone 'out of sight' and silenced in their pocket/locker. If the device is visible during class time at all disciplinary action will be taken. This also includes use of smart watches- notifications must be turned off to be worn during instructional time.

Failure to adhere to school protocol surrounding responsible use will result in the following discipline:

1st offence – ➤ cell phone taken away and placed in the office. The device will be returned to the student at the end of the school day.

2nd offence ➤ cell phone taken away and placed in the office. Student will meet with administration prior to having their cell phone returned.

3rd offence ➤ cell phone taken away, placed in the office and returned to parent/ guardian.

Administration will meet and contact parent / guardian to discuss acceptable use and to return the device.

Images/Audio:

Devices capable of capturing, transmitting, or storing images or recording and storing audio **may NOT** be operated in restrooms, dressing rooms, or other areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. Phones must be secured prior to entering the change room.

Under NO circumstances shall any video, picture capturing or audio recording device be used in any classroom without the express consent of the teacher and school administration. Special consideration shall be given to protect the privacy of students in the classroom if such permission is granted. Operation of any electronic device is prohibited in testing situations or where testing materials are present.

KIDSPORT PINCHER CREEK 2024 INCOME CUT-OFFS INFORMATION

Let's get kids active in sport! If your family income is at or less than the following Income Cut-Offs, we welcome your application for funding of up to \$350 per child, per year towards your child's sport registration fee(s). Applicants to live within the Town or M.D. of Pincher Creek and registered in an ongoing sport or activity that is led by a qualified coach or instructor.

Household Size (Includes Kids)	Income Cut-off
2 Persons	\$57,005
3 Persons	\$70,081
4 Persons	\$85,086
5 Persons	\$96,504
6 Persons	\$108,839
7 or more Persons	\$121,177

TO APPLY:

Complete a KidSport Application Form and attach a copy of **one of the following** to verify your income eligibility.

- Notice of Assessment for EACH adult in the home for the most recent tax year
- Child Health Benefit Letter
- Subsidized Housing
- Canada Child Benefit Notice
- Income Support
- Three Consecutive Pay Stubs

OR:

- Complete a KidSport Application Form and have it **signed by an Endorser** i.e. school principal, social worker, member of clergy, doctor etc. that can verify your family situation or need.



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Pincher Creek KidSport c/o Pincher Creek Recreation Office
895 Main Street, Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0

Phone 403-627-4322 or email pinchercreek@kidsport.ab.ca

Application forms can also be accessed at <https://kidsportcanada.ca>

**Even if families do not meet the requirements,
ALL applications will be considered!!**

St. Michael's School Prayer

*Father, we give You our school,
May it be a place where we love to
learn and learn to love;
a place where everyone is
respected, and all are cherished.
St. Michael, give us the courage to
stand up for others as you did.
Unite our school family in love,
truth and compassion.
Walk with us, guide us, and protect
us, as we become who you want us
to be.*

Amen