# St. Elizabeth Seton JANUARY NEWSLETTER



Welcome back! We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and a very restful break. With the pandemic changing so many of our plans this season, I hope that you were able to take advantage of the forced slower pace of the season this year. We are excited to get back to working with our students in a face-to-face manner and to kick off the second half of the school year. Please take a few minutes to read through the following points about important information and updates.

## COVID-19

We continue to take direction and follow the guidelines from Alberta Health Services regarding COVID-19 protocols. We ask that you continue to complete the <u>COVID-19 screen</u> with your child each morning to determine if they are healthy enough to attend school. In the event that your child becomes unwell during the day we ask that you make arrangements as soon as possible to have your child picked up. Parents who pick up their child from school will be given the <u>COVID-19 Illness</u> document which outlines the timelines and expectations before a child can return to school. As always, we encourage you to access the <u>RDCRS Parent/Student Handbook</u> for the most up to date information.

### Return to School - January 11, 2021

At this time, we are scheduled to return to school from our Home Learning Week on January 11, this coming Monday. We are so grateful to be able to see all of our students face-to-face again and are excited to continue our learning journey together.

Please remember to follow the guidelines that are outlined above in the COVID-19 section of the newsletter. Daily screening of your child(ren) in the morning will continue to help us ensure the safety of all our school community. We thank you for your continued support with our fight against the pandemic.

# Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten Registration [2021/2022]

Registration for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2021/2022 school is open to allow for you to *Pre-Fill* out the forms online. **Registration does not officially open until January 18th at 8:00 am.** If you would like to *Pre-Fill* the registration form you can access them <u>HERE</u> or from our website by going to the "Registration" tab. If you are registering past the January 18th opening date, you can still use the links provided here.

## Welcome Back, Ms. McQuay!

As we say farewell to our teacher from "down under," Ms. Hill, we wish her all the best as she wings her way back to warmer weather... and a little less COVID. At the same time, we are thrilled to have Ms. McQuay back with us teaching in the Grade 4H class, which will now be the 4M class. She is excited to see some familiar student faces and reconnect with our Seton students. We wish her all the best for the remainder of the year.

## **St. Elizabeth Seton Nutrition Station**

"...for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink" - Mathew 25:35

St. Elizabeth School is excited to be continuing its Nutrition Station initiative for the school. This began in mid-November, and was very well received by the students! Each morning during the first period, our grade 5 leadership students visit each classroom in the school, delivering healthy food to any students who would like a snack. Options include seasonal fruit, granola bars, yogurt tubes, and other healthy choices. This is available to any child in the school, regardless if they have had breakfast or not.

#### **Upcoming Dates**

January 4 - January 8 Wednesday, January 6 Monday, January 11 Wednesday, January 13 Thursday, January 28 Friday, January 29 Learning from Home Week Epiphany Face to Face Teaching Resumes - Welcome Back! Superhero Day - Dress as your favourite superhero! Slipper Day - Wear your slipper at school! **NO SCHOOL -** Professional Development Day

Again, we thank you for your support and are so grateful to work together with you. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours in Christ,

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