

St. Nicholas Weekly News

November 27th-December 1st, 2023

Dear Families,

Our Grade 4 School Spirit team is planning some fun and festive days in December for our school:

- Wednesday, December 6th (Early dismissal-2:14pm) will be Jersey Day. Students are encouraged to wear jerseys/clothing that supports a team or club.
- Every Friday (December 1, 8 and 15) will be "Festive Fridays". Students will be able to wear Christmas items (ie. socks, hats, reindeer ears, Christmas sweaters) to celebrate the holidays.
- We are also doing a Christmas Food Bank drive and encourage students to bring in Food Bank items on Fridays in December.
- Finally, December 22nd will be "Comfy Christmas Day". Students can wear pyjamas or other cozy, comfy clothes...whatever comfy means to them.



God Bless,

Peter Rachmistruk

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Principal

Upcoming Important Dates:

- **November 30** - Hot Lunch (Top Donair)
- **December 3** - Advent begins
- **December 6** - Early dismissal (2:14pm)/St. Nicholas Visit and assembly
- **December 13** - Advent Christmas concert 6:30pm at OLPH Parish
- **December 21** - Student Faith and Wellness Day at St. Nicholas
- **December 22** - Last day of classes (Christmas vacation)
- **January 8** - Classes resume

St. Sophia's Parish Information

- Solemn Holy Communion & First Confession Registration
- Age: Grade 2 and up
- Date and Times: Friday evenings from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. beginning January 12, 2024 at St. Sophia's Parish.
- First confession will be on March 16 and First Solemn Holy Communion on March 17.

- Contact: Andrea Haston at st.sophiafirstcommunion@gmail.com or 780-239-2121 Registration deadline: December 22, 2023

St. Nicholas School Council Information

Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser

- 'Tis the season of giving, and the St. Nicholas Parent Advisory Council Purdy's Christmas Chocolate fundraiser will be closing TODAY!
- Whether it's a thoughtful gift for a teacher, coworker, or coach, these chocolates are sure to bring smiles and warmth to all. Your participation will make a meaningful difference in helping us reach our goal of \$1,000 profit, which will go towards birthday books and the remaining cost of the Grade 4 leadership t-shirts.
- Visit <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1772866-109405> TODAY to order your high-quality chocolates and help spread joy and sweetness this holiday season. Family and friends are welcome to participate in the fundraiser using the link above as well.
- Order deadline is TODAY - November 26, 2023 and orders will be available for pickup at St. Nicholas school on December 12, 2023. More information to follow on order pickup in early December

Christmas Basket Raffle

- Parent Council is excited to announce our most popular fundraising event, the Christmas Basket Raffle! Each teacher has chosen a specific themed basket. Families are asked to donate an item to the basket theme for their child's class. Your generous donations make these baskets amazing each and every year! Please have all donations in by tomorrow (Monday, November 27th). Please see attached letter for detailed information.

Hot Lunch Information

- Hot lunch for December will be OPA! and will be served on Tuesday, December 12th. Ordering will run until Thursday, December 7th. Please have payment sent in full via e-transfer to st.nicholaspac@gmail.com by the order deadline of the end of day, Thursday, December 7th. If you have any questions, concerns, or trouble with the website or the ordering process, please feel free to reach out to me at st.nicholaspac@gmail.com If you are able to volunteer to help on hot lunch day please click the volunteer box when ordering. It is appreciated!

Please follow the registration process to get started on hot lunch:

Go to <http://stnicholas.hotlunches.net>

- Click on "Click Here to Register"
- Enter access code stnicholas2023
- Complete the rest of the registration form, including your email address which will link your e-transfer payment
- Click the "Register Now" button on the bottom
- Follow the instructions to add each child (including their class) in your family who attends St. Nicholas.

Once your child(ren) are registered, click on "Orders"

- Proceed to order hot lunch for your child(ren)
- Payment is accepted via e-transfer to st.nicholaspac@gmail.com

Faith Reflection

Heavenly Father, You have sent Your Son, O God, to be a light for the nations and a saviour of all people. Grant to us an untiring spirit that we might transform the darkness of the world by actions that are just and merciful. Let us be a light to the world and may our light reflect that of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen.

Peter Rachmistruk
Principal



St. Nicholas Catholic School

"Our Catholic School Family, embracing both English and Ukrainian Bilingual programs is dedicated to providing the best opportunities for learning while nurturing in our students' continuous personal growth."

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