



École Racette School

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Locker Clean up - November 1st & 22nd
- Remembrance Day Celebration - November 8th @ 10:45am
- Picture Retakes - November 8th
- PLC DAY - No School - November 9th
- School Closed - November 10th
- Day in Lieu of Remembrance Day - No School - November 13th
- Parent Advisory Meeting - November 15th
- First Report Card - November 21st
- Parent/Teacher Interviews - November 23rd
- Book Fair - November 20th-24th

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REMEMBRANCE DAY
Let's We Forget

Remembrance Day Celebration
Wednesday, Nov. 8th @ 10:45 am

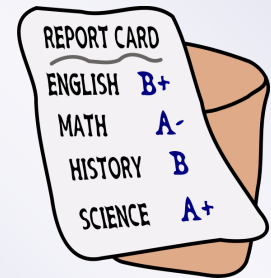


Report Card #1 will be sent home on Tuesday, November 21st.

The tear-off portion is due

Thursday,
November 23rd.

Please hand in to the Family Leader or the main office.



Picture Retakes will take place on November 8th in the morning.



Student Registration Fees are now due. These fees are payable through School Cash Online, or by cheque/cash/debit/credit at the main office.

New to [School Cash Online](#)?
Click the link to register!

Racette School Public Calendar

We have put together a public calendar for students and families to stay up to date with the school activities.

- You can view the [Calendar here](#)

- You can add it to your device's calendar by [clicking here](#) or by scanning the Code —>



REPORT CARD DATES

FOR 2023/2024

- **Tuesday,
November 21,
2023**
- **Tuesday, March
19, 2024**
- **Final report cards
will be ready at
the end of June
2024**

**Parents, please
encourage your child to
use the lock on their
lockers. Several students
are leaving them
unlocked and we are
concerned about
valuables that could go
missing.**

For Parents and Visitors

Reminder: All school doors, except the main (South) entrance, are locked.

ALL PARENTS AND VISITORS are to use the Main Street doors and report to the office to advise of your reason for being in the school.

We ask that you do not proceed to your child's class.

****NOTE**** Racette School has video recording in effect.



Due to safety and insurance reasons, skateboards & scooters are not to be used on school grounds. Thank you for your cooperation!

From the Office

Pediculosis (Head Lice)

Parents and schools share the responsibility in managing head lice in schools and preventing the transfer of head lice to other children. Lice can be found wherever large groups gather. For further information about head lice, please contact your local health unit.

Parents need to:

- Check their child's hair weekly
- Treat with the appropriate shampoo
- Remove all nits and live lice
- Check other family members
- Notify anyone who may have been in contact (eg. sleepovers)
- Wash all bedding and clothing

At school, we:

- Train staff how to identify
- Inform parents
- Provide practical advice and support
- Are proactive so that lice does not spread

Students must be nit and lice free to participate in any school field trips or in the swimming program.

HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?



SEND TO SCHOOL

- A runny nose or just a little cough but no other symptoms.
- Sore throat but no other symptoms.
- No fever in the past 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.
- No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.



KEEP AT HOME

- Fever higher than 100.4 degrees F (38 degrees C).
- Sore throat, with other symptoms such as a persistent cough.
- Vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Eyes are pink and crusty.
- Has been exposed to an illness where isolation is recommended.



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Parent Advisory Committee

Guided by our Catholic Community, Ecole Racette School fosters the attitudes, skills, and values that develop the potential of each individual.

Ecole Racette School Parent Advisory Committee's goal is to support the mission of the school. The committee will undertake discussions and activities that enhance student learning and foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community.

The committee meets once a month at the school and all parents are invited to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for November 15th @ 7:00pm

For more information, please view the Racette website or click on the link below to see the minutes and activities.

[Parent Advisory 2023-2024](#)



Parent-Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on November 23rd from 5:00pm-9:00pm.

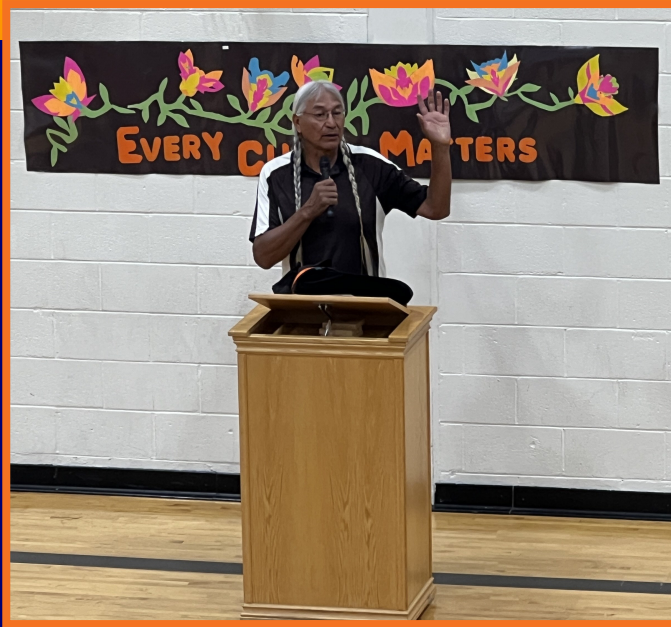
This year we will be using "School Appointment On-Line" to manage our scheduling. This link can be found here:

<http://racetteschool.parentteacherconferences.net/>

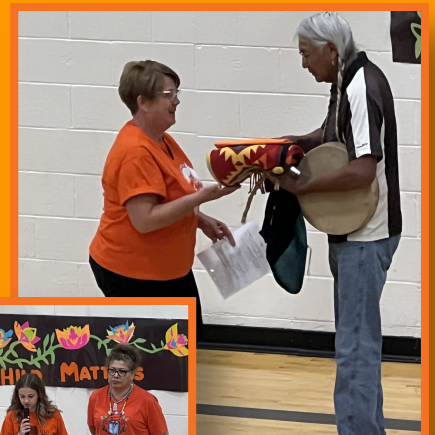
Booking will open on Monday, November 13th at 10:00am.

Parent instructions with how to register and schedule an appointment can be found [here](#).

Racette Commemorates Truth and Reconciliation Day



Ecole Racette School honoured the Day of Truth and Reconciliation on September 29th with an event led by Ms. Houle-Steppe. Elder Carl Quinn was our guest speaker and was presented with a traditional blanket by our principal, Andrea Austin (pictured below). To close the event, staff and students were led outside by Elder Quinn drumming. Orange ribbons were tied on our school fence to commemorate the children who were lost in residential schools. It was a powerful and moving experience.





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MEET THE INCLUSIVE EDUCATION STUDENT SUPPORTS TEAM



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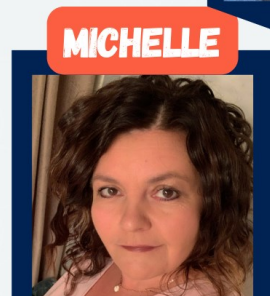
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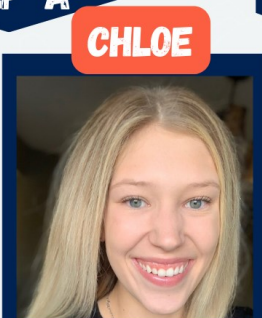
GAIL

ASSISTANT



CHANTELLE

ASSISTANT



CHLOE

ASSISTANT



BRENDA

ASSISTANT

Our Lost & Found is full of expensive, re-usable water bottles.

Unfortunately, if they are not claimed by the end of the month, they must be thrown away or donated.

Parents, please mark your child's name on the personal items they bring to school. Also, have them check the Lost & Found basket in the office if they are missing anything.

Catholic Education Sunday - November 5th



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Le 5 octobre 2023

Chères sœurs et chers frères dans le Christ,

« Ne t'ai-je pas commandé : fortifie-toi et prend courage? Ne t'effraie point et ne t'épouvante point, car l'Éternel, ton Dieu, est avec toi dans tout ce que tu entreprendras. » (Josué 1:9)

Cette année, le thème du dimanche de l'éducation catholique est « Le courage de guider ». Les parents, les éducateurs, les administrateurs, les conseillers scolaires et le clergé sont tous invités à assumer leur responsabilité en tant que leaders pour renforcer et promouvoir l'éducation catholique sur la base de laquelle nous guidons les enfants qui nous sont confiés à connaître, à aimer et à suivre Jésus-Christ.

En Alberta, l'éducation catholique financée par les fonds publics est un cadeau historique unique et précieux et nous en sommes reconnaissants. C'est un don inestimable à la fois pour la communauté catholique et pour la société dans son ensemble qui, toutes deux, assument des responsabilités croissantes dans un monde de plus en plus sécularisé. Face aux nombreux changements et défis sociétaux, nous partageons la responsabilité de veiller à ce que notre éducation fondée sur la foi demeure fermement fidèle aux enseignements de l'Église. Nous sommes tous appelés à diriger avec courage, en sécurité dans l'amour de Dieu.

Dans l'éducation catholique, le leadership exige de pouvoir guider dans un but bien précis, en étant motivé par la mission de cultiver chez nos jeunes une confiance joyeuse dans l'Esprit Saint, une confiance inébranlable dans les paroles du Seigneur Jésus et une constante confiance dans la providence de notre Père céleste. Au-delà de l'excellence scolaire, des éducateurs dévoués imprèneront tous les aspects de la vie scolaire de la foi catholique. Les parents et le clergé ont

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Mass Times:

Dimanche: 9h 30 (Français)


Sunday: 11:00 a.m. (English)


leur rôle à jouer en renforçant les relations entre nos écoles, les foyers et les paroisses. De plus, tous les catholiques sont responsables de soutenir nos écoles par leurs prières et de les défendre avec vigueur. Chaque effort compte dans la mise en valeur de notre système d'éducation catholique.

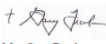
Pour notre part, nous, les évêques, promettons de mettre notre leadership au service de nos écoles et nous leur accordons notre soutien. Nous entendons poursuivre notre collaboration avec les parents, les administrateurs, les enseignants et le clergé pour veiller à ce que nos écoles soient des lieux de communauté catholique authentique dans lesquels nos élèves bien-aimés apprennent la joie de l'amitié avec Jésus-Christ, notre Sauveur.


Que Dieu bénisse nos écoles catholiques.


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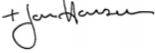

Mgr Richard W. Smith
Archevêque d'Edmonton


Mgr William McGrattan
Evêque de Calgary


Mgr Gary Franken
Evêque de Saint-Paul


Mgr Gerard Pettipas CSsR
Archevêque de Grouard-McLennan


Mgr David Motiuk
Evêque éparchial des Ukrainiens
d'Edmonton


Mgr Jon Hansen, CSsR
Evêque de Mackenzie-Fort Smith



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October 5, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9)

Our theme for Catholic Education Sunday this year is: "Courage to Lead". Parents, educators, administrators, trustees, and clergy are all invited to engage their responsibility of leadership to strengthen and promote Catholic education, through which we lead the children entrusted to our care to know, love, and follow Jesus Christ.

Publicly funded Catholic education in Alberta is a unique and cherished historical gift, for which we are grateful. It is an invaluable offering to both the Catholic community and wider society, carrying growing responsibility in an increasingly secular world. In the face of many societal changes and challenges, we share the responsibility of ensuring that our faith-based education remains steadfast in its fidelity to the teachings of the Church. We are all called to lead with courage, secure in God's love.



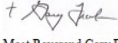


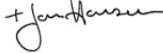
Leadership within Catholic Education involves guidance with a sense of purpose, driven by the mission to nurture in our young people a joyful reliance upon the Holy Spirit, unwavering trust in the words of the Lord Jesus, and abiding confidence in the providence of our Heavenly Father. Beyond academic excellence, dedicated educators will permeate all aspects of school life with the Catholic faith. Parents and clergy have their role to play by strengthening the relationship of our schools with both home and parish. In addition, all Catholics exercise their responsibility by offering the support of their prayers and advocating strongly for our schools. Every effort counts in the promotion of our Catholic education system.



For our part, we Bishops pledge our leadership and support in the service of our schools. We look forward to our continuing engagement with parents, trustees, administrators, teachers, and clergy to ensure that our schools are places of authentic Catholic community, in which our beloved students come to know the joy of friendship with Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

May God bless our Catholic schools.

Catholic Bishops of Alberta and NWT

	
Most Reverend Richard W. Smith Archbishop of Edmonton	Most Reverend William McGrattan Bishop of Calgary
	
Most Reverend Gary Franken Bishop of St. Paul	Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas CSsR Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan
	
Most Reverend David Motiuk Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Edmonton	Most Reverend Jon Hansen, CSsR Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith



What is a Catholic school?

A Catholic school is like any other school in that it focuses on student learning, but it does so with a unique perspective. With the Catholic faith at its core, a Catholic school strives to support the formation of the whole child: body, mind, & spirit.

The Five Marks of a Catholic School were created to help guide the practice of a Catholic school. They become a school's identity. Over the next five months, we will look at each mark more closely.

5 Marks of a Catholic School

1 Created in the Image of God

- We recognize each child as precious, gifted, and loved.
- We embrace the dignity of all.
- We recognize and celebrate the gifts and talents of others.
- We support and enhance the development (physical, emotional, academic and spiritual) and well-being of students and staff.

2 Catholic Worldview

3 Faith Permeation

4 Witness

5 Community



CHECK OUT OUR

SPOOKY

ART PROJECTS!



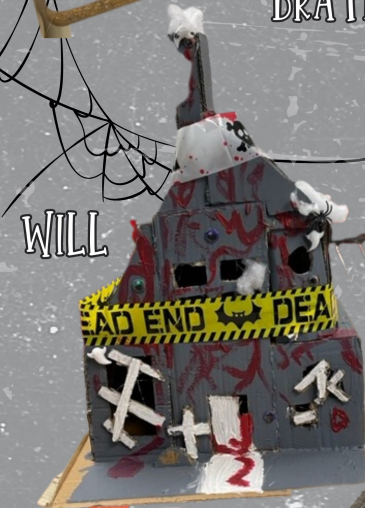
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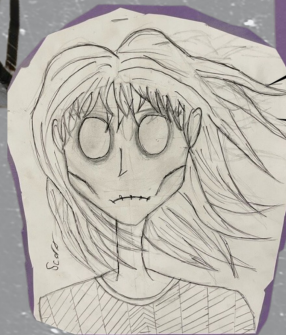
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ART 7

TIM BURTON SELF-PORTRAITS

ART 8

CARDBOARD HAUNTED HOUSES

Jr. Volleyball Season Wrap-Up!

JV volleyball players enjoyed a short but intense six week season. This season, our athletes practiced 2 days a week and took part in the Glen Avon, Elk Point and Mallaig tournaments. The FG tournament was very successful for both teams with the girls finishing 2nd and the boys winning the championship. The boys and girls showed a lot of growth and development throughout the season, and their hard work and commitment did not go unnoticed by their coaches.



A sincere thank you to our Jr. Volleyball

Coaching Team:

Jr. Boys - Adam and Crystal Charbonneau

Jr. Girls - Kathleen Gerlinsky and

Anna Morton



Community Awareness Team



Racette's Community Awareness Team has begun another year of volunteering and helping our community. Our first event was filling treat bags for the FCSS Safe & Sweet Halloween. Group #1 worked at a fast pace filling 550 bags in 1 hour!

Great job, team!

GROUP 1

Elena Martin
 Finley deMoissac
 Grachelle Sullad
 Ryan Noel
 Kara Gerlinsky
 Brady Lafrance
 Matthew Ashdown
 Reid Mahe
 Gus Penosky
 Grayson Lamontagne
 Cindy Yaremko
 Eva Kudrynytska
 Emma Deacon

GROUP 2

Molly Gratton
 Alivia Sanjith
 Jayde Hebert
 Sophie Petruk
 Daniel Petruk
 Caryse Lemay
 Talia Malcolmson
 Blake Tremblay
 Melanie Whiteford
 Abbey Robinson
 Hailey Hnatiw
 Kian Joly
 Josh Charbonneau

GROUP 3

Dailyn Lajimodiere
 Addison Cusack
 Aris Arde
 Aaliyah Delos Santos
 Leah Pashko
 Celina Poirier
 Evolette Bernardin
 Alex Areekal
 Jillian Sapigao
 Jasmine Pruden
 Piper Smyl
 Liz Cheshire
 Hailey Reid
 Deagan Robinson



A Note From Mrs. Belland

Now that we are in the swing of things for the new year, here are a few things we are working on.

- 1. Hopeful Minds:** The grade 6's are more than halfway through the Hopeful Minds program. During SST we have been trying things like a “walk on the beach”, belly breathing, and acting out feelings. We have been talking about what hope is, why it's important, where hope and stress live in the brain, and the impact of emotions. In the next month, we will be talking about SMART goals, challenges to hope, and the importance of a Hope Network.
- 2. Listening, Conflict Resolution, and Healthy Relationships:** In November, I try to address the skills needed when dealing with conflicts. The grade 7's will be learning about active listening. The grade 8's will be learning about conflict resolution, and the grade 9's will be learning about the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships.
- 3. Decision Making and Non-verbal Communication:** I spoke to the 8-1 and 8-2 health classes about healthy decision-making, and to the 9-1 and 9-2 health classes about non-verbal communication in the context of conflict resolution.
- 4. Apologies:** I will be talking to as many grades as possible during health classes about the four steps to an effective apology: acknowledge the offense, provide an explanation if helpful, express remorse, and make amends.



If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact our school, and we will do our best to answer them.

For more info:

<https://www.facebook.com/TWBMHCBSt.Paul>

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 Alberta Health Services
Mental Health
Capacity Building

Raider Days

Students and staff are encouraged to show their school pride every Thursday by wearing “Racette gear” or the color blue.



School gear can be purchased online at racetteschool.entripyshops.com

Book Fair!

Ecole Racette School Book Fair will be held from November 20th-24th.

For more information, check out the full page posters [here!](#)




Gotcha - Good Conscience

These students were “caught” doing something good for someone else! Their names will go into a draw to receive a cafeteria gift card!

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|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| • Matthew Ashdown | • Vann Johnsen | • Domanic Picken |
| • Nyxon Brodziak | • Brennan Joly | • Deagan Robinson |
| • Caleb Foisy | • Kian Joly | • Jeffrey Robinson |
| • Kale Fontaine | • Grayson Lamontagne | • Mason Russell |
| • Finn Haugen | • Ayden Lee | • Jillian Sapigao |
| • Noah Haugen | • Seth Martin | • Madison Shaler |
| • Marco Hladunewich | • Kyler Morrison | • Alyssa Zarowny |
| • Jackson Janvier | • Gus Penosky | |

November

2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Day 4 Chicken Nuggets & Fries	Day 5 Perogies, Smokie, & Lazy Cabbage Casserole	Day 6 Burger Special w/ Fries
Day 1 12" Pizza Sub w/ Fruit Salad	Day 2 Chicken Bacon Cheeseburger w/ Fries	Day 3 Taco Salad REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE @ 10:45 RE-TAKES!	PLC DAY	SCHOOL CLOSED
SCHOOL CLOSED In Lieu of Remembrance Day	Day 4 Lasagna w/ Spinach Salad	Day 5 Chicken on a Cloud	Day 6 Ginger Beef w/ Rice & Mixed Vegetables	Day 1 Boneless Pork w/ Mashed Potato Bites
Day 2 SPAA VOLLEYBALL Macaroni & Cheese w/ Hot Dog Pieces BOOK FAIR WEEK!	Day 3 Chili w/ a Bun 1st Report Card	Day 4 Chicken Strip Wrap w/ Caesar Salad	Day 5 Cream of Tomato Soup, Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich Parent Teacher Interviews	Day 6 Chicken Bacon Ranch
Day 1 Chicken Strips w/ Curly Fries	Day 2 Perogy Casserole	Day 3 Belgian Waffle w/ Strawberries & Whipped Cream	Day 4 Bacon Cheeseburger w/ Poutine	

Contact Us!

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Student Success at Racette Junior High School

One of our main priorities at Racette School is to ensure student success. Individual teachers are the main facilitators for students in their learning, however, sometimes additional support may be required. Every day there is a 25-minute period just before lunch. It is referred to as SST (Student Support Team). During this scheduled period, students will be able to do AR reading, get caught up on missing assignments, study, or re-do assessments.