



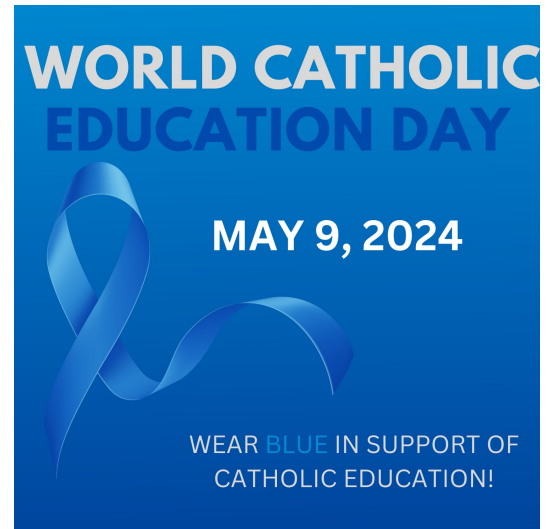
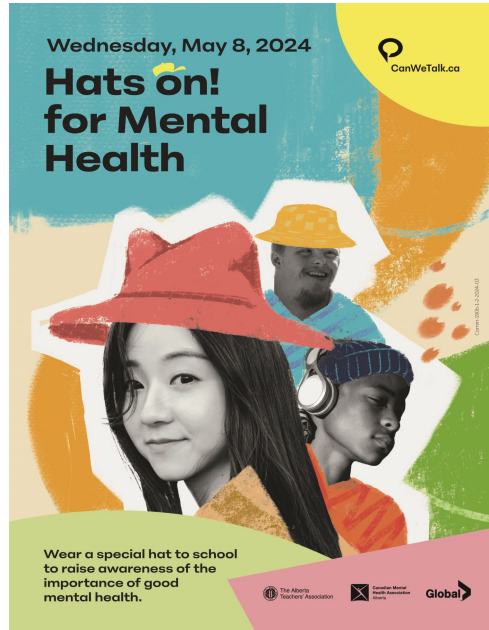
École Racette School

May 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Grade 9 Choices Program - May 2
- Bus Driver Appreciation Day - May 6
- Catholic Education Week - May 6-10
- RCMP Road Race - May 7
- Locker Clean-Up - May 8 & 22
- Hats on for Mental Health - May 8
- Support Staff Appreciation Day - May 8
- World Catholic Education Day - May 9
- Live Differently Assembly - May 9
- PLC Day - No School - May 16
- School Closed & Victoria Day - May 17/May 20
- Track and Field - May 21
- Grade 9 Celebration - May 23
- Division Pow Wow - May 30


May Racette Spirit Days



ÉCOLE RACETTE SCHOOL

2024 PAT SCHEDULE

MAY 13 Gr. 6 - FLA - Part A Gr. 9 - ELA - Part A	MAY 15 Gr. 9 - FLA - Part A
JUNE 11 Gr. 6 - FLA - Part B Gr. 9 - FLA - Part B	JUNE 12 Gr. 9 - ELA - Part B
JUNE 13 Gr. 9 - Math - Part A	JUNE 18 Gr. 9 - Math - Part B
JUNE 19 Gr. 6 - Soc. St. Gr. 9 - Soc. St.	JUNE 20 Gr. 9 - Science



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 —>



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.

Our Lost & Found is full of expensive, reusable 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.

Cree Class - Elk Meat Cutting

The Grade 6 Cree class participated in the cutting of elk meat. Years ago, the technique of preparing and surviving on wild meat was an important teaching for the youth. The students enjoyed the experience and got to take the elk meat home.



Gotcha - Good Conscience

These students were “caught” doing something good for someone else! Their names will go into a draw to receive a Ecole Racette Water Bottle!

- Blake Andersen
- Rose Barlad
- Theo Chapdelaine
- Nicole Flores
- Jillian Fontaine
- Rylan Fontaine
- Owen Landiak
- Sadie Landiak
- Georgia McShannock
- Bryce Michaud
- Celina Poirier
- Gus Robinson

Raider Thursdays

Every Thursday, we encourage students and staff to show their school pride by wearing “Racette gear” or the color blue. School gear can be purchased online at racetteschool.entripyshops.com

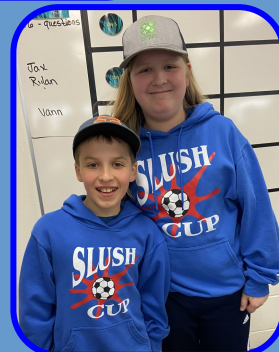
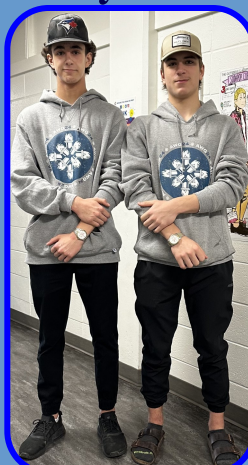
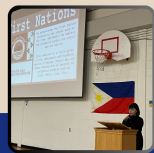
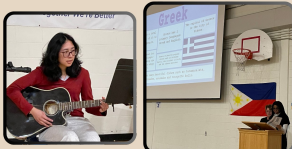


Multicultural Day & Twin Day



Multicultural Day 2024

Thank you to the Multicultural Committee, the performers, those who brought in food items, and all those who helped make our Multicultural Day a success!



MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY

HOLY MARY
MOTHER OF GOD,
PRAY FOR US





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Catholic Education Week 2024

"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)

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In this month of May, we celebrate Catholic Education Week in Alberta, the Yukon, and Northwest Territories. As the Catholic Education liaison on behalf of my brother Bishops, I want to offer a heartfelt thank-you to the educators and all who serve in our Catholic schools.

The theme for Catholic Education Week 2024, "Courage to Lead", reminds us of the call and the responsibility to live and uphold the teachings of our Catholic faith, even amidst the challenges of the world around us.

The call to be courageous is deeply rooted in Scriptures. In the Book of Joshua, the Lord counsels us: "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)

In a time and place where conflicting ideologies are challenging the enduring truths of our faith, it takes tremendous courage to remain steadfast in our commitment to Christ's teachings.

This courage begins in the home, with parents entrusted by God with the vital responsibility of imparting the values and principles of our faith within the hearts and minds of their children. When parents make the courageous decision to entrust their children to the care of our Catholic schools, those schools become a supporting partner to parents in the education and spiritual formation of their children.

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Catholic schools have the distinctive mission to integrate faith and reason, providing students with an education that not only challenges them academically but also nurtures faith formation. Within this educational environment, the teachings of the Catholic faith are permeated into the fabric of daily life.

Although we are blessed with a constitutionally protected, publicly funded Catholic school system, nevertheless we cannot take this for granted. It is our collective responsibility as Christian faithful to be courageous in ensuring that we are forming confident disciples of Jesus Christ and his teachings. It is incumbent upon the entire school community – administrators, teachers, staff, clergy, parents and parishioners – to honour this commitment.

May God grant us the wisdom, courage, and strength to fulfill our sacred duty with courage and love, knowing that He walks alongside us every step of the way.

Yours in Christ,

✠Richard W. Smith
Alberta Liaison Bishop for Catholic Education
Archbishop of Edmonton

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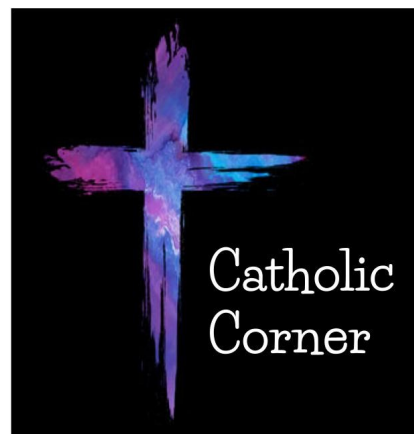
GrACE is a partnership of stakeholders resolutely committed to Catholic education within the province of Alberta.

Every day is a celebration of Catholic education. Let us be grateful for our blessings and commit our support.



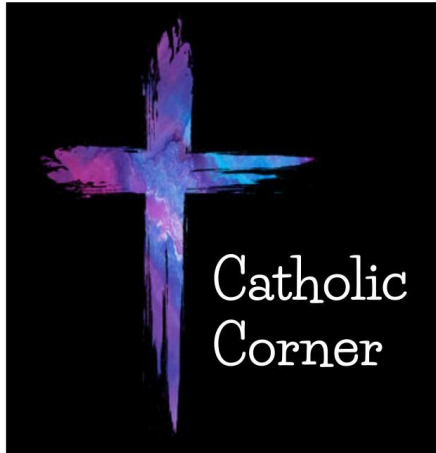
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Catholic Education Week May 5-11





Easter season will wrap up in May this year.

The feast of the Ascension is celebrated 40 days after Easter. The feast of Pentecost is the last day of Easter season celebrated on the 50th day.

We also designate time in May to celebrate Catholic Education.

What a lot to celebrate!



Within the church, May is dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. We reflect on Mary's willingness to accept God's plan, and we pray that we are able to follow her example.

Mary, Mother of God

Blessed Virgin Mary

God Bearer

Our Lady of Grace

Queen of Heaven

Queen of Peace

Mother of Mercy



Immaculate Mary

Queen of Families

Mother of Perpetual Help

Our Lady of Lourdes

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady of Fatima

A Note From Mrs. Belland

May 6th-12th is Mental Health Week! We will also participate in **Hats on For Mental Health** on Wednesday, **May 8th**.

Aside from Mental Health Week, here are a few other things we are and have been working on:

1. **Choices Event:** The **Grade 9 classes** from all schools in St Paul, Ashmont, Mallaig, Elk Point, and Heinsburg will be participating in the **Choices** event on **May 2nd**, including a mock collision and several speakers. Our keynote is **Kevin Brooks**.
2. **Parent Presentation:** Also on **May 2nd**, our Division is hosting **Ariel Haubrich** again. She will be speaking at **Regional High School** from **6:30-8:30 pm**. Admission is free. See details on poster.
3. **Self-Care Scavenger Hunt:** As part of **Mental Health Week**, I will be partnering with the **Grade 9 Leadership** class to put on a **Self-Care photo scavenger hunt** for other students to have the option to participate in.
4. **Grade 7-9 Health Classes:** In **Grade 8**, I have presented on **Conflict Resolution**. In addition to preparing **Grade 9** students for the **Choices** event, I have been presenting on **Consent** as part of the Human Growth and Sexuality unit (for students with consent to participate in that unit.) In **Grade 7**, I will be discussing some of the impacts of **social media**.
5. **SST:** In the next few weeks, I will be finishing up presentations to **all of the classes** about **Exam Stress** and offering coping strategies as well as "pro-tips" to help the students study and remember the information they need for "exam season".

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>



Together We're Better



Racette Badminton

The Badminton season is very condensed! Practices started mid March and the season wrapped up on April 22. In those weeks, coaches Raynelle Robinson, Ryan Yopyk, and Kathleen Gerlinsky worked hard to prepare the athletes during after school & morning practices. The commitment of these athletes proved to be a success! Grades 6-9 athletes took part in the Racette Tournament on April 13 and brought home 4 gold, 9 silver, and 7 bronze medals.



On April 23, the SPAA team (composed of 48 athletes from grades 7-9, the only school with a full slate) competed and came home with 3 gold, 6 silver and 4 bronze medals. After all the results were tallied, Racette brought home the Girls, Boys, & Mixed banners (calculated on participant/win ratio)! We are all very proud, not only of the success of the team, but each individual's commitment to practices and their drive to improve!

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.



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 has been postponed to Wednesday, May 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](#)

REPORT CARD DATES

FOR 2024

- *Final report cards will be mailed out in June of 2024*

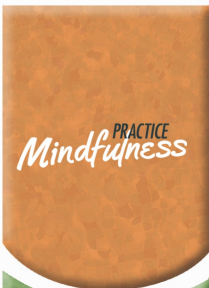
School Fees

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

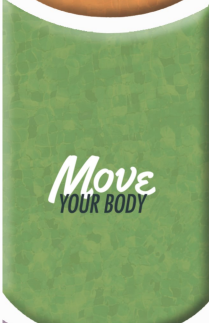
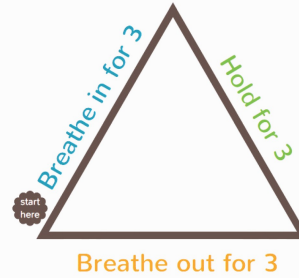
New to [School Cash Online](#)? Click the link to register!

Addiction & Mental Health News

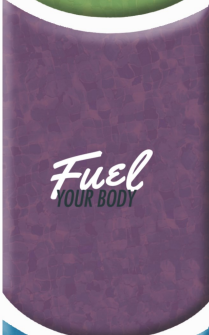
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Practicing mindfulness together can help build your family's connection with each other. Try this simple strategy to relax and calm a busy mind.



Move your body every day to improve your mental and physical health. The key is to make movement fun and try activities that you enjoy. Get outside and move together as a family.



Food and water give your body the fuel it needs to grow, learn and play. Choose foods that make you feel good and give you energy. By eating with others, it can help create connections.



Expand your mind by doing something you enjoy like being creative, dancing and listening to music. This releases feel good chemicals in your brain.



Build assets and help your kids grow up great by doing simple actions such as:

- telling your kids why they matter to you
- greet them warmly each day



Information on mental health, community supports, programs and services in your area:



Addiction Services Help Line
1-866-332-2322
Mental Health Help Line
1-877-303-2642





2024 TRADITIONAL SCHOOL DIVISION POW WOW

Thursday,
May 30
2024

Host Location: Frog Lake First Nation
Pow Wow Arbor - Frog Lake, AB 10 am - 2:30 pm

Featuring the talented dancers from St. Paul Education schools. Students are encouraged to bring their own lunch. A concession will also be available on site.

Host Drum - Kihew Asiniy

For more information contact Keith Gamblin:

780-645-3323
gambkeit@sperd.ca

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STEAM Lab

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our steam lab!

We are currently looking for donations of the following items:

- Round plastic lids from milk jugs, etc.
- Coloured clay
- Paper or plastic cups and containers
- Small hot glue gun sticks and glue guns
- Fabric scraps
- Random crafting supplies
- Shoe boxes
- Small exacto knives
- Short bolts and small nuts (for attaching cardboard projects together)

Thank you

THURSDAY MAY 2, 2024

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

St. Paul Regional High School FINE ARTS THEATRE
4701-44 St

Ariel Haubrich, M.Ed Psych
Knowledge is Power
Learning & Wellness Services

what am I MISSING?

A session designed for parents of children of all ages to learn about:

- ✓ Impact of social media & the internet (anxiety & conflict)
- ✓ What's happening in kids brains? (typical development & behaviour)
- ✓ The continuum of mental health challenges through to mental illness (What's the difference?)

*Please note this session is intended for an adult audience.

Registration is not required; however, we do want to know if you will be joining us for pizza?

Please let us know by going to this link:
<https://bit.ly/4amnOGc>

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St. Paul Regional Family and Community Support Services

"When they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness." Acts 4:31

May 2024

THINGS
GET
BETTER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 DAY 6 MACARONI & CHEESE W/ HOT DOG PIECES	2 DAY 1 CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD W/ GARLIC BREAD	3 DAY 2 EGG ROLL IN A BOWL W/ DUMPLINGS
6 DAY 3 CHEESE & BACON BURGER W/ FRIES 	7 DAY 4 TACO IN A BAG 	8 DAY 5 PIZZA SUB W/ CAESAR SALAD 	9 DAY 6 BELGIAN WAFFLES W/ STRAWBERRIES & WHIPPED CREAM 	10 DAY 1 CHICKEN STRIPS W/ FRIES
13 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY DAY 2 HOT DOG W/ CURLY FRIES	14 DAY 3 CHICKEN NUGGETS W/ POUTINE	15 DAY 4 GARLIC PORK BITES W/ RICE & MIXED VEGETABLES	PLC DAY	17 SCHOOL CLOSED
20 DAY 	21 DAY 5 TACO SALAD	22 DAY 6 BIG MAC CASSEROLE	23 DAY 1 PEROGIES IN CREAM W/ A SMOKIE	24 DAY 2 BURGER SPECIAL W/ FRIES
27 DAY 3 CHICKEN BACON RANCH SUB W/ ICE CREAM SANDWICH 	28 DAY 4 NACHO SUPREME	29 DAY 5 CHICKEN ON A CLOUD	30 Day 3 GRILLED HAM AND CHEESE W/ FRIES	31 Day 4 GINGER BEEF W/ RICE & HOT VEGETABLES

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St. Paul Education Regional Division:

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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.