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St. Alphonsus

Week of November 9, 2020

Prayer

A Prayer for Remembrance Ever-living God, We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reminders

- Our semester switch begins on Tuesday, November 10th. If you switched your child to 'in-person' learning, this will be his/her first day. If you switched your child to 'online' learning this will be his/her first day. Classes have been adjusted to accommodate the students returning to school.
- Our Remembrance Day ceremony will begin at 8:45AM led by the Grade 4's and 8A classes.
- ❖ Be sure to start checking Power school for your child's progress. We will be sending out information about our virtual Parent/Teacher interviews shortly.
- ❖ Catholic Education Sunday is November 8th, 2020.
- There will be no school on Wednesday, November 11th.

School News

Greetings from the St. Alphonsus Elementary Music Program!

As most of you have probably guessed, we will not be having our annual live Christmas Concert as we are not able to gather in large groups due to our COVID-19 Guidelines.

In spite of these challenging times and the barriers to our school family gathering together, St. Alphonsus is happy to announce that the elementary students will be creating a <u>Virtual Christmas Concert</u> to mark the season and share our talents in music this term.

Each class in Kindergarten to Grade 6 will prepare a piece of music in their music classes at school. On <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 2</u>, each class will separately perform and record their work during the day at school. These individual recordings will be gathered together in one video. The final product will be shared on the class's Google Classrooms for students and families to enjoy at home. <u>The date of the upload is still to be determined</u> but will likely be in the last week before we break for the holiday.

To help with the recording of this performance, we have some wonderful volunteers from the NAIT Video Broadcasting and Recording Arts Department who will be doing the audio and video recording.

If you have indicated that your child is not to be video recorded at school under the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act of Alberta, your child's homeroom teacher will be contacting you to discuss options. Please note: if your child is unable to be recorded under FOIP they will still participate in the performance OFF CAMERA and will NOT be filmed.

We appreciate all your support to the music programs at St. Alphonsus and hope that you will enjoy our virtual concert this year.

Have a Great Week!