

SCA Elementary Newsletter



Our Mission: To challenge students, through Christ-centered education, to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord in order to pursue a life of godly character, personal and academic excellence, and service to others.



December 2023 Edition

Celebrating our Saviour



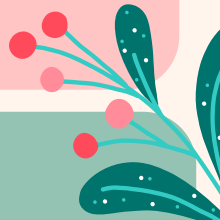
This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:18-21



MERRY CHRISTMAS

*We hope your holidays
are filled with love!*



HOPE MISSION NEW TOY DRIVE

Friday morning, **December 8**, is our Hope Mission New Toy Drive. We would ask each elementary family to consider bringing one new toy that will be passed on to a needy family. Please send items in the morning as they will be picked up by noon.

Thank you for your support!

Some popular toy suggestions are:

lego, stickers, pokemon, LOL dolls, paw patrol, squishmallows, ninja turtles, tech decks, board & card games, large toy cars, playmobil, k'nex, nerf toys, slime kits and craft supplies.

For older children, some popular suggestions are: sports equipment, make-up, nail polish, head phones, sport apparel, water bottles, wallets, gift cards (max. \$20), gym bags, purses, coloring books for adults and markers.

Please no violent toys, video games or movies.

Reminders

- **Friday, December 1** – Report Cards Issued
- **Tues./Thurs., December 5 & 7** – Parent/Teacher Interviews
- **Wed., December 6** – Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm
- **Fri., December 8** – Hope Mission New Toy Drive
- **Fri., December 15** – Hot Lunch
- **Wed., December 20** – Chip Day
- **Thurs., December 14** – Christmas Concert (Gr. 1-6)
- **Fri., December 22** – Christmas Caroling Chapel at 9:15 am
- **December 25 to January 5** – NO SCHOOL – Christmas Break
- **Mon., January 8** – School Resumes



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SCA Elementary School is Proud to Present:

THE INCREDIBLE ADAM ANGEL - GRADES 1-3
THE MAN WHO DIDN'T HAVE TIME - GRADES 4-6

This year, our Grade 1-6 SCA Elementary Christmas Concerts will be on Thursday, December 14 at the Sherwood Park Alliance Church.



Grade 1-6 Christmas Concert Celebrations
Thursday, December 14, Sherwood Park Alliance Church
Times: See Schedule Below

Parents please drop off your child(ren) 15 minutes prior to their assigned concert time.

Drop off rooms will be clearly marked. **Doors open at 5:45 pm**

Drop Off Time	Performance Time	Drop Off Location	Pickup Location
6:15 pm	6:30 - 7:30 Grade 1, 2 & 3	South Gym	Auditorium
7:45 pm	8:00 - 9:00 Grade 4, 5 & 6	North Gym	Auditorium

JUST A REMINDER!



Our Kindergarten students do not participate in the formal Christmas Concert evening. Their teachers prepare a series of very special activities over the days leading up to the Christmas break.



A Word or Two



BOOK FAIR COMING SOON!

We will be hosting Lamplighter Books & Gifts and Scholastic Book Fairs during Parent-Teacher Interviews. We will have a full selection of great quality books, offering a wonderful place to do some Christmas shopping and a great financial benefit to our school.

Parents are welcome to come in before and after your interview times from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 5 or Thursday, Dec 7.

Parents are encouraged to purchase for their children and themselves during the evenings, however students of parents not able to attend the evening interviews will be allowed to purchase Wednesday or Thursday during the school day. We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair and thank you in advance for your support of a great fund-raiser! -Mrs. Wielinga



Yearbooks

If you would like to order a 2023-24 yearbook please make sure to choose it from the "School Items" on your student's individual tab in Parent Portal and add it to your cart when paying your school fees. The deadline for ordering a yearbook is **March 31, 2024** and they will be delivered to the students at the end of June 2024.



Healthy Hunger

Hot Lunch

- December 13 - KA/KC (Deadline Dec 8)**
- December 14 - KB/KD (Deadline Dec 9)**
- December 15 - Gr. 1-6 (Deadline Dec 10)**

Chip Day

- December 20 - KA/KC, Gr. 1-6**
- December 21 - KB/KD**



School Theme 2022-23

**Taste and see that the Lord
is good,
blessed is the one who
takes refuge in him.**

Psalm 34:8



Praying Grandparents

Are you a past, present, or future grandparent of a student who attends SCA Secondary or Elementary Schools?

We need your prayer support! If you have time to meet once a month to pray for our students, please email Pastor Cook at timothy.cook@eips.ca or phone the school at 780-449-2787.

Currently a group meets the first Thursday of every month at 1:00 pm at SCA Elementary. The next prayer meeting is Thursday, January 11 and you are welcome to join!

We want to cover the schools and the children with prayer. Your wisdom and experience is strongly desired to do this.



Kindergarten Siblings for 2024-24

Do you have a child(ren) in the home that will turn 5 by December 31, 2024? If so, please contact the school office as soon as possible to ensure that we have the information on file before registration opens on February 1, 2024.



What a year it was!

A **HUGE** thank you to all of the Parents, Grandparents and Friends of SCA Elementary School who continue to encourage and support our staff in the many ways you do!

We cannot thank you enough and could not do what we do without you!

The staff & students of SCA Elementary School would like to wish all of our families a wonderful, safe and healthy holiday season!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

December Prayer Focus



Please pray for EIPS bus drivers.

A note from Sherwood Park Alliance Church (SPAC)



We would love to have you join us at SPAC for one of our **Christmas Eve Services!**

- Saturday, December 23 at 6:00 pm
- Sunday, December 24 at 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm

We hope to see you there!
Everyone is welcome.

Visit spac.ca/Christmas for more information



DECEMBER



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*Tis the
Season*

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