



Wolf Weekly

Week of December 18 - 22, 2023

Welcome to the Wolves' den. Be prepared to run with the pack!

St. Francis News



'T WAS THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS

DEC

18

Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow!

(Wear your toque)

DEC

19

Comfort and JOY!

(Wear your comfiest clothes)

DEC

20

Have you been good... or PLAID?

(Wear plaid)

DEC

21

Merry & Bright

(Dress in shiny, sparkly, bright, light, tinsel and glitter)

DEC

22

Dreaming of a White Christmas

(Wear your pajamas)



Christmas Staff Appreciation

Our School Council is seeking donations of Christmas snacks and treats for our Staff Appreciation Day on Wednesday, December 20.

Treats can be dropped off at the office between now and December 20th. Please label for Teacher Appreciation (Dec 20).

Thank you for your support.

Sign up [here](#)



Important Dates - December 2023

- December 22 Last Day of Classes before Christmas Break
- December 23- January 7 CHRISTMAS BREAK
- January 8 School Resumes



Ski Club

Registration will close on December 20th for the Ski Club.

Log into your powerschool parent portal, then look for school fees/forms to access the ski club registration.

[Ski Club Letter 2024](#)

Ski Club dates are as follows:

Wednesday, January 17, 2024



Wednesday, January 31, 2024
Wednesday, February 14, 2024
Wednesday, February 28, 2024
Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Frozen Jr.

Tickets for our theatre production of Frozen Jr. at the Red Deer Memorial Centre will go on sale on January 8, 2024 online only.

Tickets \$15

Thursday, February 29 @ 7:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Friday, March 1 @ 7:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)



Wolves Athletics

Basketball Practices/Games

- Junior Boys 1 & 2 teams - December 18 @ 7:15 a.m.
- Senior Boys - December 18 @ 3:30 p.m.
- Junior Girls 1 - December 18 @ 5:30 p.m.
- Senior Girls - December 19 @ 7:15 a.m.
- Junior Girls 1 **Basketball game** @ St. Marguerite - December 19 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Senior Boys - December 20 @ 7:15 a.m.
- Junior 1 Boys **Basketball game** @ St. Thomas - December 20 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Junior 2 Boys **Basketball game** @ home vs. St. Marguerite - December 20 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Junior 1 & 2 Girls - December 21 @ 7:15 a.m.
- Senior Boys **Basketball game** @ home vs Camille - December 21 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Senior Girls **Basketball game** @ Camille - December 21 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Junior 1 Boys - December 21 @ 5:30 p.m.
- Senior Girls - December 22 @ 7:15 a.m.



Faith News

Faith Facts

- Did you know that next week, we will be lighting 3 candles. Two purple and one pink candle.
- The pink candle is this colour, because in the Catholic Church, pink or rose represents Joy.
- This third Sunday is also called Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the Joy the world experienced at the birth of Jesus Christ, as well as the joy we experience as a result of being through half of Advent.
- It symbolizes the Angels coming to the Shepherds in the field to tell them of a baby being born in a manger, it is considered good news of great joy. After the Angels appeared and told the shepherds, thousands of Angels appeared and sang glory to God.



Christmas Mass Times

St. Mary's Parish

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24
@ 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
@ 4:30 p.m. - Christmas Pageant
@ 5:00, 7:30 & 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass
12:00 midnight Mass

Christmas Day - Monday, December 25
@ 10:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve - Sunday, December 31
@ 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. mass

SACRED HEART PARISH

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24
@ 4:00 & 7:00 pm
12:00 midnight Mass

Christmas Day - Monday, December 25
@ 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.



Sacraments

The sacraments are pivotal and meaningful events in a person's journey of faith. Preparing and celebrating the sacraments deepen



the faith of children and youth, and of the families, those involved in preparing them—including the sponsors—the Catholic school community and all Christ's faithful in a given territory (parish). For more information on sacramental preparation, please see [our Parishes](#)

Community Information

FAMILY NIGHT OUT

Join friends and family from St. Francis of Assisi Middle School as the Red Deer Rebels take on the Prince Albert Raiders!

Use the Promo Code **STFRANCIS** for a special offer!

\$12 Youth tickets and \$19 Adult tickets

Pick your own seat in the reserved section to sit with your classmates

To take advantage of this great offer, simply go to www.ticketsalberta.com.

AND as a special bonus... if there are more than 100 tickets sold, the Red Deer Rebels will donate \$1 per ticket sold back to your school!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th

Doors open at 6:00 pm | Puck drops at 7:00 pm

Woolly Bully's Birthday & Post Game Skate



Tickets may be purchased online up until 5:00 pm on game day.
All children must be accompanied by an adult. Children under 2 do not need a ticket for entry, but do not get a seat.
No refund or exchanges can be made on group tickets.

Wellness Exchange Free Workshops



Who: Any adult interested in improving their skills to cope with change, manage daily stressors, and increase their overall well-being.

What: Five different skill-building workshops - one topic per workshop. Attend any topic that interests you or attend all five.

Where: Red Deer Public Library, Downtown Branch, Snell Auditorium, 4818 49 St, Red Deer, AB T4N 1T9.

When: Each workshop runs from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Jan 8: Problem Solving
Jan 15: Positive Activities
Jan 22: Managing Reactions
Jan 29: Helpful Thinking
Feb 5: Healthy Connections

To register: click [here](#)

or us this QR Code



Workshops are facilitated by AHS staff in partnership with community agencies. Workshops are not group therapy nor are they a substitute for the advice of a qualified health professional. For more information, rania.page@ahs.ca



YOUTH ENGAGEMENT SURVEY



WIN Gift Certificates!

Are you between 12 and 24 years old?
We want YOUR voice to shape the future
of our programs!

Participate to WIN: Leave your email for a chance
to win one of **three gift certificates!**

Scan the QR code and fill the survey.
It only takes 10 minutes!

Thank you for being a vital part of our
community. Let's make a difference together!

Survey Open Until December 31st



Winter Warm Up



Paint the Town Positive is inviting children & youth, together with their families, to share the gift of warmth.

Simply bring **NEW** mittens, toques or socks between January 2nd -12th to any Red Deer Public Library.

Paint the Town Positive groups will then donate the items to those in need in the City of Red Deer.

SPARC Red Deer is a non-profit coalition that promotes and educates our community about the '40 Developmental Assets'. In 2019, SPARC launched an initiative to Paint the Town Positive (PTTP) with local youth. Through involvement with PTTP, youth have opportunities to build resilience, experience a sense of belonging and get involved. These are important elements to build healthy, resilient, caring individuals and helps kids grow up great!



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