

St. Helen's School Newsletter

October 2021



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St. Helen's School

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Dear Parents,

I would like to thank all the parents for cooperating with our safety plans so far. Congratulations to all of our teachers & support staff for keeping our school running safely. Today we were notified about changes in our safety plan by the Ministry of Education; **“We require masks for kindergarten to Grade 3 students. The rollout will begin on Monday, October 4th when all students in B.C. schools will be required to wear a mask when inside a school building, including while at their desks and on buses. This measure builds on the existing guidelines that currently apply to all students in Grades 4 to 12”**.

We are also happy that we are able to celebrate sacraments as a community and have extra-curricular activities with safety procedures in place. Let's work together as a community to keep our students at school. Whatever we do, let's follow the safety requirements needed.

“No one learns to hope alone” - Pope Francis

Sincerely,

Waldemar Sambor

Principal

October Calendar



1ST—WALK A THON *(12 PM DISMISSAL)*

2ND—1ST HOLY COMMUNION *(LAST YEAR'S GR. 2'S)*

5TH—BLESSING OF THE PETS *(2:15 PM)*

7TH—CONFIRMATION *(LAST YEAR'S GR. 7'S)*

15TH—SCHOOL MASS *(GR. 6A)*

11TH—NO SCHOOL—THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

19TH—INDIVIDUAL PHOTO RETAKES

29TH—HALLOWEEN HOWL DRIVE THRU & FALL FIESTA ASSEMBLY

(All proceeds from the Halloween Howl will be split between the school legacy gift and the Gr. 7 Grad Committee)

Congratulations to Mrs. Zivkovic (Coughlan) on the birth of her baby boy, Milan!



Photo's from our Orange Shirt Day <https://photos.app.goo.gl/XQpbRt2MkYvAGkhu9>

Searchers Community

St. Helen's PEC Parish Elections for 2021/2022

We will be having a PEC election this weekend Saturday, Oct 2nd and Sunday, Oct 3rd after Masses.

We need to elect 4 out of these 5 nominees:

Gerardina Trasolini

Marco Holzer

Angela Coelho

David Jacobucci

Kathy Kram



Notre Dame PEC members representing St. Helen's are Marco Holzer and Robert Coelho

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Late or Absentee Note Reminder

We ask for your cooperation in submitting absentee notes no later than **9:00 AM** if your child is going to be late or absent. **Notes are required by the Ministry of Education.** Notes need to be sent **via our [St. Helen's app](#)**. It is important that your children arrive to school on time so that they begin the day with everyone in their class on time for morning prayer.

Walkathon—Oct 1st

“A Walk Through the Heights”

We are still accepting pledges for our annual walkathon. All proceeds will go towards our Outdoor Education and Fine Arts Programs. We hope that each family will help raise money for the walk-a-thon to the best of their ability. If each child raises \$50, we will achieve our goal. Thank you for your continued support! **So far we are very close to \$10,000 which is half way to our goal.**

Walk A Thon <https://photos.app.goo.gl/ebsp5VrqT9zWRE7t5>



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The blessing of the Pets will take place on Tuesday, Oct 5th in the parking lot at 2:15 pm. Every pet is welcome as long as your child is able to manage them on their own. Parents will be waiting in their pickup area for the blessing to end. Children will bring their pets home at dismissal time (3pm)

Kindergarten and Gr. 1 parents will be meeting their teachers, PEC, Pastor and Principal outside under the tents on Friday, Oct 8th at 2:15pm. Due to Covid, these two grades never had the opportunity to meet the St. Helen's staff. More information will be sent home from their teachers next week.



Searchers History

Our 100 year anniversary will take place in 22 months!



Grade 7 class from 1976



SHS was featured in the BC Catholic for it's participation in leading prayers during Orange Shirt Day.

Searchers *Personal Best*

The following students are recognized for their efforts in the published class work:



KA

Gia Baruffa

Sage Tran

KB

Matias Timmins

Vaidehi Singh

1A

Alaya Arora

Ashley Fischer

1B

Kyle La

Olivia Borthistle

2A

Salvatore Mauro

Ada Secchiati

2B

Talia Landingin

Benjamin Lacuna

3

Giordano Canosa

Kosta Corea

Amanda Igboamugo

Victoria Lancheros

4A

Gavin Kuseler

Liam Lepore

4B

Marko Arbulic

Elena Katusa

5

Eli Luketic

Peter Mudrovcic

Matteo Tinaburri

6A

Mason Iorio

Michael Poldrugo

6B

Gia Carolo

Joanna Chung

7A

Aiden Chou

Nicolo Mauro

Hailey Cheung

7B

James Rogers

Dominic Iachetta

Annie Kwok

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better." ~ Maya Angelou