

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

What an incredible week we've had at SCCS! From our Advent Prayer Service to the Grades 6-8 Band Concert, and the generosity shown through our Christmas Hamper collections, it's inspiring to see our community come together during this special season.



Lunchtime soccer baseball intramurals brought excitement to the halls, and the crafts and special activities created by our dedicated staff have filled the building with the true spirit of Christmas.

As we prepare for Christmas Spirit Week and the many celebrations ahead, I want to take a moment to recognize the incredible staff who make all of this possible. Their creativity and commitment shine in every detail. These efforts don't just happen; they are the result of countless hours of preparation and a deep love for our students and school community.

As we approach the holiday break, I encourage you to join me in thanking our teachers and support staff for their unwavering dedication. They are the heart of SCCS, creating an environment where students can learn, grow, and experience the joy of the season.



Wishing you all a blessed Advent and a joyful Christmas season.

*Those who are wise will shine as bright as the sky,
and those who lead many to righteousness will shine like the stars forever. Daniel 12:3*



TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK...

- ✓ Advent Prayer Service
- ✓ Enrichment
- ✓ Grades 6-8 Band Concert
- ✓ Pizza Fundraising Lunch
- ✓ Christmas Hamper collections

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

- Christmas Spirit Week
- Enrichment on Tuesday
- Christmas Concert on Tuesday
- Wednesday Subway/Hot Dog Fundraising Lunch
- Candy grams distributed on Wednesday
- Christmas Pageant & Caroling on Thursday at 230 pm
- Last Day of School on Friday and 1135 am Early Dismissal
- School Mass at 10 am on Friday and NO PM BASC

LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP...

- ❖ School is closed Dec. 20-January 4.
- ❖ School opens January 5, 2026
- ❖ Learn to Skate on January 6th
- ❖ Wednesday Pizza Fundraising Lunch on January 7th
- ❖ 230 pm Early Dismissal on January 8th



If your child will be absent on the last morning of school before Christmas break (Friday, December 19), please email reception@stccs.ca as soon as possible to inform the Front Office. This helps us manage attendance smoothly on the early dismissal day at 11:35 a.m. Thank you!

MUSICAL CANDY CANE FUNDRAISER

Candy canes will be delivered to classrooms on WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17th
Thank you for supporting the musical and helping us make this season bright!



K-2 LEARN TO SKATE

Sharpen Your Skates-Its almost time for Learn to Skate!

An email has been sent to all families with students in kindergarten to Grade 2 about our upcoming skating program. This program is an important part of the Physical Education curriculum, and all students are required to participate. Please complete the link here: <https://permission.click/M6NaN/ca>



Skating will take place almost every Tuesday at Keith Bodley Arena, beginning January 6, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher or reach out to me directly. This is a great opportunity for students to build skills, stay active, and have fun on the ice!

MAKE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT THIS YEAR: CONSIDER A GIFT OF SECURITIES



As year-end approaches, families are encouraged to consider donating publicly traded securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds) as a tax-efficient way to support the school. Donating securities eliminates capital gains tax and provides a charitable receipt for the full market value, maximizing impact at no extra cost. To donate, please submit before December 31.

SCCS CHRISTMAS CONCERT PEW RAFFLE

THANK YOU for supporting the Music program. Congratulations to the following winners:



Pew #1: Meaghan Potter

Pew #2: Bobby Penner

Pew #3: Victoria Viquez

Pew #4: Tracy Viera

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Will take place on Tuesday, December 16th at 6:30 PM at **Portage Avenue Church (1420 Portage Avenue).**

The link for the **live stream** was sent in an email to all parents yesterday. We look forward to celebrating our students and community on Tuesday!

We need some help before and after the concert. If you can volunteer, please sign up here:

[CHRISTMAS CONCERT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Tuesday, December 16th, 2025, at Portage Avenue Church](#)



PARKING REMINDER

Please do not get out of your vehicle in the loading zone. If your child needs help and there is no parking attendant/volunteer, please use the parking lot. The loading zone is a drop off or pick up zone. If you are parked in the loading zone and waiting for your child to arrive then this causes congestion. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school grounds safe and accessible for all.



To help support this effort, we are looking for parent volunteers to assist with our parking lot and loading zone patrol. Please sign up using the link below: **[2025-2026 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | PARKING LOT & LOADING ZONE PATROL](#)**

HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER



Our Wednesday hot lunch fundraiser continues in the new year! A kind reminder that all orders WITH PAYMENT for the first lunch back after winter break (January 7, 2026) are due by December 19, 2025.

Please ensure if you're paying by cheque or cash, that this is submitted to the office before the school closes for winter break. If not, your order will be cancelled.

We also are in need and have many volunteer opportunities available: [Volunteer for Wednesday Fundraising Lunches 2025](#)

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



Our Christmas food hamper drive ends next week on Dec. 15th! We are collecting food items for 10 families from one of our parishes. Donations can be dropped off in the front entrance. Thank you to all the families that have already brought in food.

RAFFLE

Congratulations to our SCCS Raffle Winners!



First prize \$1000: Meagan Conway
Second Prize \$500: Agnes Dyck
Third Prize \$250: Cito Pulvera

BASC PROGRAM UPDATES

BLINE demo/testing will take place on Monday at 4:30 p.m. in the gym. There will be no PM BASC on Friday. All January programs have now been posted. Please ensure that any outstanding BASC day payments are submitted.



TURF CAMPAIGN

We are asking for your help! So far, we have raised **\$97 095**. Amazing!
You can track our progress on the website



Saint Charles
Catholic School

From the Ground up

Help us transform our school field where the students and our community can play, learn, and thrive.



Fielding Greatness

Your donation paves the way for a vibrant school community, fostering health, teamwork, and lifelong memories. Together, we can create a dynamic space where every child can thrive. Your support makes a lasting impact. Donate today!

2024



Investing in Our New School Artificial Field

Join our mission to raise \$250,000 for a new school field. With your support, we'll transform dreams into reality, providing a safe, state-of-the-art space for our students to play, learn, and grow. Every contribution counts. Be a part of our journey today!





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We Need Your Help

Join us in raising funds for a new school turf field! This much-needed upgrade will provide our students with a safe, durable space for sports and outdoor activities, enhancing their physical health and fostering a stronger school community.



Our Goal

Our goal is to fundraise \$250,000 for a new school turf field! Your donation will create a safe, high-quality space for students to engage in sports and outdoor activities, promoting health, teamwork, and school spirit. Every contribution brings us closer to transforming our students' experiences.

Donate Today



HELP BUILD OUR PLAYGROUND

The turf is our first phase, with plans for further improvements to our space in the future as money allows. The funds from the chocolate and raffle sales as well as the Wednesday Fun Lunch over the next 2 years are earmarked toward this project. We have also developed a turf campaign and sponsorship package as we require additional support to move further on our playground improvements.



PHASE TWO:

Outdoor classroom with seating
Sitting area for recess

FINAL DESIGN MAY VARY

PLEDGE TODAY



Wishing you all a great weekend.

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