

DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 2	Advent Mass at St. Joe's 10:00 am
December 3	Spelling Bee
December 3	St. Joe's School Dance 6:30 – 9:30 pm
December 7	Advent Assembly 1:00 pm
December 8	St. Pat's Christmas Concert 7:00 pm
December 10	St. Joe's Christmas Concert 7:00 pm
December 14	Advent Assembly – 9:00 am
December 16	Exploratories (pm) - Early dismissal 2:06 pm
December 17	S.C.C. Christmas Luncheon
December 21	Advent Assembly 1:00 pm
December 22	Last day of classes
December 25	Merry Christmas!
January 6	Classes resume



Spartan Spirit



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Principal's Message:
Season's Greetings!

We would like to extend a big thank you to Nicole Graf who will be leading our Advent Celebrations in the Month of December. We appreciate her efforts to help prepare us for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Also, we would like to thank Father Antony for Celebrating an Advent Mass at St. Joseph School on Wednesday, December 2, at 10:00 AM in the gymnasium.

St. Joseph School would like to thank the Breakfast for Learning program that presently offers food to students every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. We appreciate this effort and have noticed more attentive students in our classrooms. We are still seeking parent volunteers to help support this program for 45 minutes in the morning. If you can help out, please contact Mrs. Sue Beverly.

The St. Joseph Christmas Concert is right around the corner with the date set for Thursday, December 10 at 7:00PM. Students have been practicing lots and are looking forward to the concert. We look forward to seeing you there!

Troy Froehlich

Commitment to Growth of Mind, Body and Spirit

St. Joe's Christmas Concert

We would like to invite you to attend our annual Christmas Concert on **Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 pm.**

It is always a wonderful evening as we showcase the talents of both our band and drama students. We look forward to seeing you there!

For those that cannot make the evening performance, we will be holding a matinee performance at **10:00 am** on the same day.

Special Thanks

St. Joe's and the Kiwanis Club of Swift Current would like to thank all of the students who volunteered for the Senior Fun Olympics at the Palliser Regional Care Centre this past weekend. Your enthusiasm and helpfulness made a difference in the lives of many!

School Web Site

This is to inform you that the school web site is up and running. You can access it at **<http://stjoes.htcsd.ca>**.

*It is good to be children
sometimes, and never better than
at Christmas, when the mighty
Founder was a child Himself.*

Congratulations!

We would like to congratulate the Senior Girls "A" Team on winning the league banner for volleyball. Special thanks to Mrs. Wepler for coaching!

Band Notes

Please note the upcoming dates:

**Dec. 10 St. Joe's Christmas Concert
7:00 pm**
Grade 6 Concert Band
Grade 7/8 Concert Band
Southside Jazz

**Dec. 15 Fairview Christmas Concert
7:00 pm**
Southside Jazz

Students should arrive 30 minutes before the concert with their music and instrument and should be dressed in their band uniform.

Next bottle drive: December 5th – meet at Sarcan 10:00 am. Drivers needed

Calling Kids in Sick

We encourage parents to call their children in each day they will be missing due to illness (778-4640). Please leave a list of symptoms your child is exhibiting so we may report this to Public Health. Thanks for your assistance.

Geography Challenge Finalists

We would like to congratulate the following students for earning their spot among the finalists in the Geography Challenge:

Grade 6 finalists:

Tye Hapke, Thomas Flicek, Kirstie Klevgaard, Adon Gardner, Keegan Lansberry, Roger Rouillet, Brooks Parschauer, Kaylynn Ziegler, London Parsons, Milan parmar

Grade 7/8 finalists:

Donovan Lavoie, Traian Gabor, Trent Meyer, Greg Gillis, Erika Erlandson, Zac Nickel, Logan Markewich, Michael Andree, Cody Ruest, Dominic Vallee

Students will be competing in January to finalize our school's winners!

Drug Task Force

The Swift Current and District Drug Task Force will be hosting Mr. Serge LeClerc at a public presentation at the Swift Current Comprehensive High School on Tuesday, January 5th at 7:00 pm. Student sessions for grade 8 and 9 students will also be available at O.M. Irwin School on Wednesday, January 6th. Our grade 8 classes will be in attendance on this day.

The Drug Task Force is currently looking for logo submissions. Posters are located around the school.

Book Fair

We would like to thank all of the students and parents for their support of our Book Fair. A special thanks to those students who helped Mrs. Zanidean with organizations and sales.

*The hinge of history is on the door
of a Bethlehem stable.*