December 11-15





St. Angela School Week at a Glance



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Advent Blessings

Advent is a time when we remind ourselves that God comes to awaken our hope and be our light. During this special season of "Peace on Earth" let us all strive to achieve the Spirit of Christmas by giving the lasting gift of peace to others, to ourselves, and especially to the members of our family.

"Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming."

~ Matthew 24:42 ~









Attendance

We have many students who are routinely absent from school or arriving late. Section 31 of the *Education Act* states that:

a student, as a partner in education, has the responsibility to:

(a) attend school regularly and punctually

Please ensure that your child is attending school every and arriving on time.

PHONE MESSAGES

When leaving a message regarding your child, please remember to provide the **first** and last name of your child as well as their grade. Chances are we may have more than one child at this school with the same name and we want to ensure we understand which child you are leaving a message for.



Christmas Sweater Day

Friday is Christmas Sweater Day! Show your SCHOOL SPIRIT by wearing your favourite Christmas sweater! If you don't have one, wear green or red!



Social Justice

For the past 30 years, our Division has held an annual Challenge for schools to participate in. It has taken many forms during that time. At the heart of this work, is a desire to provide as much aid as possible to the students and families in our schools.

What Does the ECS Foundation Do?

In short, the Foundation makes dreams come true for students and families in our schools through six Dreams for Kids funds and seven endowment funds. You are able to direct your support to the area of greatest need or to any one of the different funds available. We anticipate the areas of greatest need this year to be:

- 1. Helping Hands Fund: Provides resources to assist schools in addressing student or family emergency needs including, clothing, food, shelter and health.
- 2. Conquer Hunger Fund: Supports healthy school lunch, breakfast and snack programs (it onlycosts \$100 to provide a daily snack to a student for the entire school year).
- 3. Guardian Angel Fund: Provides help for students with mental health needs.



December 21 - Popcorn and Pajamas



This is how St. Angela School is taking part:

On Thursday, December 21, our students will take part in a *Popcorn and Pajamas* afternoon. Everyone is asked to donate at least a toonie for a bag of popcorn and a candy cane. Donations will be accepted as cash which can be given to your child's teacher.

Parents who would like to make larger donations and wish to have an income tax receipt should make their donation directly using the Foundation website. In order to track which school they represent, parents are encouraged to click on the "I would like to dedicate this donation" box and write the name of the school their children attend in the "Tribute Name" box. This will allow us to track donations for our school. To access the form, simply go to the Foundation website:

https://www.ecsfoundation.ca/

and click on the "**Donate Now**" button in the top right-hand corner of the page .

Upcoming Dates

December 10 – Last day to <u>order Hot Lunch</u>

December 19 - STEM Assembly and Wear **GREEN** Day

December 20 - Sir John Thompson Tour Band

Christmas Sing-Along – 1:30 pm

December 21 – Full Day – Popcorn and Pajamas

Movie Afternoon (Dream Builders Challenge)

December 22 – Early Dismissal for Christmas Vacation

January 8 – Classes Resume

January 12 – Dress Like an Athlete Day

January 16-17 – Sangea African Drumming Residency

January 18 – School Council Meeting

January 19 - Twin Day

January 26 – St. Angela Student Faith Day

January 30 – STEM Assembly and Wear GREEN Day

