

# St. Andrews School Newsletter for MARCH 2024



## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear parents and guardians of our St. Andrews School students,

We hope you are all keeping well!

Second term report cards will be delivered electronically and will be available in the late afternoon on Monday, March 11. You will be able to access your child's report card via an email link. Information about electronic report cards is available by [clicking here](#).

We will be holding in-person student learning conferences at the school during the evening of Thursday, March 14 and the morning of Friday, March 15 (our school book fair will also be held in the school library during this week). Student learning conferences are a great opportunity for students, parents/guardians and teachers to meet to discuss student learning and growth. More information about booking your conference time will be coming home soon.

St. Andrews School's Spirit Week will be March 18-22. Please watch for upcoming information.

Last day of classes before Spring Break is Friday, March 22. Spring Break is Monday, March 25 to Friday, March 29. Students return to school on Monday, April 1, school day 1.

For our grade 6 families, a reminder there will be a grade 6 parent/guardian open house and orientation at Lockport School on Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00pm. Please contact Lockport School if you have any questions about this event.

Don't forget our Parent Advisory Council's fundraiser ends Monday, March 4. [Click here](#) (then "join a campaign" and enter customer number 74941) to place your order for Purdy's Chocolates!

We welcome communication from our families. Should you have any questions or concerns about your child at school, please contact your child's classroom teacher or our school administrators.

Yours in education,

Mrs. Sowany and Ms. Korchinski

## **ST. ANDREWS SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Parents and guardians are welcome to register their kindergarten age children for kindergarten classes for September. Children must be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2024 to register for classes beginning in September 2024.

A birth certificate and proof of residency must accompany all registrations. A non-Canadian birth certificate will also require proof of citizenship. Registration forms are available from the school office or on our website. You can download and print the forms from our school website by [clicking here](#).

Please note both REGISTRATION and TRANSPORTATION (if needed) forms must be printed and completed. CHILD IN CARE forms are only required if a child is in care of Child and Family Services.

If you are aware of any kindergarten age children in our catchment area, please encourage the families to register early.

Should you have any questions about registration, please contact our school office staff at 204-338-7510.

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Web: <https://sta.lssd.ca>

Twitter: @StAndrews\_LSSD

# REMINDER

- Please visit our website for current information about our school at: <https://sta.lssd.ca>
- When parking for student drop-off and pick-up, please follow the suggested flow of traffic and parking as per the map below. Please use caution when walking and driving in the church parking lot.
- For student pick-up when a bus is cancelled, please park in the church lot as per the map below or on River Road where permitted. Stopping/parking is not permitted on St. Andrews Road. Adults are to park and meet their student in the student pick-up waiting area as per the map below. Students will wait here until their adult meets them for pick-up. For everyone's safety, please use the crosswalk and follow the crossing guard's directions when crossing the street.
- For students who are being picked up early/before regular dismissal time, parents and guardians are asked to pick up their child(ren) prior to 3:00 p.m. to avoid disrupting end-of-day dismissal procedures.
- Any end of day changes to regular student pick up or bussing plans need to be communicated to the school through the planner, email or phone call to the office (204-338-7510) by 3:00 p.m.

Thank you



# Coming soon...St. Andrews School Scholastic Spring Book Fair!



The book fair will be held in the school library between March 12th and 15th.  
More information to come!

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## Coming up:

**Student Learning Conferences (In-person)**

**Thursday, March 14 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.**

**Friday, March 15 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.**



**Teachers will facilitate a conference for parents/guardians and their child regarding student learning. Check your email soon for information about how to book an appointment to meet with your child's teacher.**

# Middle School Counsellor's Corner



## LET'S TALK KINDNESS

As we wrap up the month of February with a school-wide focus on kindness, it's important to remember that this simple message holds a lot of weight as our kids grow up. While we all know that being kind is a good thing, it gets a bit more complex as they get older. Kindness isn't always easy. It means making choices that might be a bit tough or uncomfortable. Whether it's reaching out to a friend, helping someone in need, or just taking a moment to think about how someone else feels, it's all about making a decision to be caring. Even those small acts of kindness that seem random? Well, someone made a choice to be nice.

In a world where everything moves fast, kindness is like a little beacon of goodness. It's about doing what's right, even if it's not the quickest or easiest option. This lesson becomes super important as our kids grow, helping them make choices that make us proud. Most of all, kindness isn't just a nice idea—it's essential for our school community to thrive. It's what brings us all together, making sure everyone feels safe and included. So as we support our kids in their learning and growing, let's also cheer on their kindness.

Let's make our school a place where kindness isn't just talked about, but lived every day. By encouraging these small acts of goodness, we're creating a place where everyone feels valued and happy.

Warmly,

Mrs. Bouchard



### CHECK IT OUT ON **Instagram!**

Follow our Grade 4–6 School Counsellor

Mrs. Bouchard on Instagram:

**@counselling\_with\_mrs.b**



# Phys.Ed Corner



Congratulations to the grade 6 students who participated in the Badminton tournament at the High School on February 1<sup>st</sup>. The students demonstrated some great badminton skills and represented St. Andrews School with polite, respectful behaviour.

The lunch hour skating for the grade 5's and 6's has come to an end. We would like to extend a big thank you to the St. Andrews Arena for opening the ice up to our students during lunch hour. We'd also like to thank our teacher volunteers: Mrs. Krut, Mrs. Dewar, Mr. Armstrong, Ms. Wilmot, Ms. Loeppky and Mr. Penner.

We have started a grade 5 and 6 Basketball Club on Tuesdays and Thursday before school and during lunch hour. The students have been busy cultivating their dribbling, passing, and shooting skills. There will be a Divisional 3 on 3 basketball tournament held at St. Andrews School on March 12. The grade 5's will play in the morning and the grade 6's will play in the afternoon.



Ms. Loeppky

Mr. Penner

March weather can be unpredictable! It can be cold or rainy!

When preparing outerwear for your child for school, please be sure to check the weather forecast (LSSD schools follow temperature and windchill values from **The Weather Network, Selkirk**). Students are outside for recess unless the combined temperature and windchill are below  $-27^{\circ}\text{C}$ .



In the event of rainy and wet weather, please ensure your child is dressed for the weather. Students are outside unless it is raining heavily.



# PAC NEWS

## March 2024



### PAC Spring Fundraiser



We're so excited about our delicious **Purdy's Chocolatier** fundraiser! Check out the handout and email sent home on Feb. 16 for all the details about how to order.

**Order deadline:** Monday, March 4

**Order pickup:** Thursday, March 21  
(4:30 to 6:30pm – school front entrance)

*Thank you so much for your support!*

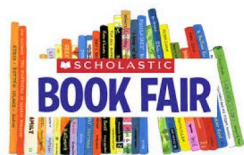


**Monday, March 18**  
**7 – 8pm**  
in the school Library

*\*Free childcare\**

*All families are welcome!*

Remaining 2024 meetings  
May 27 ~ April 15 ~ June 17



**March 12-15, 2024**

*Visit the school's Spring Book Fair in the Library for great deals on books for all reading levels!*

**Tues, Wed, Thurs, March 12-14:** Classroom previews & Lunch Recess sales for students

**Thursday, March 14:** Family sales\* from 4pm – 8pm

**Friday, March 15:** Family sales\* from 9am – 12pm

*\*during Student Learning Conferences*

*Note: While PAC organizes and hosts the Fall Book Fair as a PAC fundraiser, the Spring Book Fair is hosted by our school Library, with volunteer help from PAC.*



**Mark your calendar! Upcoming hot lunches:**

**Thursday, March 7: Pizza**  
(Day 1) *(Ordering closed)*

**Wednesday, March 20: Chicken Strips & Chips**  
(Day 4) **Order by March 8**

**Thursday, April 11: Hot Dogs & Chips**  
(Day 3) **Order by March 22**

**Wednesday, April 24: Perogies**  
(Day 6) **Order by April 12**

Order at: [www.munchalunch.com](http://www.munchalunch.com)

*For more dates & deadlines visit  
[www.tinyurl.com/standrewspac](http://www.tinyurl.com/standrewspac)*



Follow PAC on **Facebook** for updates on hot lunches, fundraising and more!

[www.facebook.com/stapac](http://www.facebook.com/stapac)

**PAC Web page:**

Visit [sta.lssd.ca/our\\_school](http://sta.lssd.ca/our_school) and click "Parent Advisory Council (PAC)"

**Questions?**

Email us at [standrewspaclssd@gmail.com](mailto:standrewspaclssd@gmail.com)



Spirit Week will be March 18—22!

Watch for more information to come!



**Update your contact info!**

Please keep the school informed of your most up-to-date contact information.

Report any changes to: [st.andrews-sch@lssd.ca](mailto:st.andrews-sch@lssd.ca) or call 204-338-7510

- Parent/guardian phone contact(s)
- Emergency phone contact(s)
- Address change
- Email address change



All parents and guardians are welcome to join the monthly meetings which are held the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. The next PAC meeting will be Monday, March 18.

[Follow PAC on Facebook for updates!](#)

[Contact us: standrewspaclssd@gmail.com](mailto:standrewspaclssd@gmail.com)



March 11	Report cards available online
March 14	Student learning conferences in the evening
March 15	NO SCHOOL, student learning conferences in the morning
March 18	PAC meeting
March 22	Last day of classes before spring break
March 25-29	Spring break, NO SCHOOL
April 1	Back to school (Day 1 )