



St. Helen's School Newsletter

March 2019

Principal : Mr. Waldemar Sambor

Vice Principal : Ms. Dawn Currie

Dear Parents,

Lent, the forty days leading up to Easter in the Christian Calendar, has traditionally been used as a time to reflect and rejoice in God's love as shown in Jesus' Passion and Resurrection. The more time we take to reflect upon the meaning of the season, the greater will be our joy on Easter morning and the deeper our faith will grow.

Traditionally, Lent has been a time of penitence and fasting in order to recognize our need for God's forgiveness and seeking to deepen our relationship with him. The important thing is to find something that will help us focus more on God and what he wants for our lives.

Many people give up some small luxury such as chocolate, watching television or playing video games. But let us remember that the focus is both on learning to do with less for ourselves and making an effort to do some good by spending the money or time on something that will help others.

May this Lent be a time for all of us to reflect on what is good in our lives and invite God to help us put right what is wrong, and remembering just how much **He loves us**.

Sincerely in Christ,
Waldemar Sambor
Principal

Monthly Highlights

1st	WS Mass (6B) (Full uniform)
6th	Ash Wed Mass (5B) (Full uniform)
7th	1st Reconciliation (6:30 pm at church)
14th	Report Cards Home
15th	Last Day of School
18th-29th	Spring Break

**Please refer to our [online calendar](#) for further events & information. You may also download our [school app](#).*

Searchers Community

STUDIO 54' PUB NIGHT

Thank you to our PAC for all the hard work preparing for our Studio 54' Fundraiser. It was nice to see so many families attend.

[Studio 54 Pub Night](#)



BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the two teams who have made it to the quarter finals, and a big thank you to all our students and coaches! Good luck in the finals! Congratulations to our Gr.6 girls and boys who have made it to the semi finals this Friday!



LENT

In an effort to sow the seeds of vocations, we are pleased to once again distribute "mite boxes" in anticipation of the season of Lent which begins this year on March 6th.

To help the children in our Archdiocese learn more about our seminarians, as they pray for them and make small financial sacrifices towards their formation, we have set up a special online Lenten Calendar.

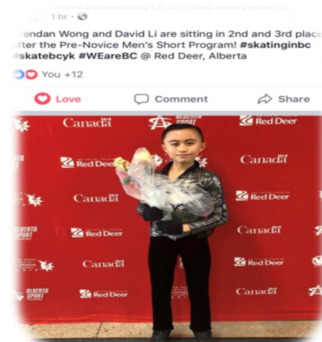
Our Catholic schools have an important role in fostering and nurturing vocations. It is of the utmost importance that we remind our young people of the love which God the Father has for them and to encourage them to trust the plan that He has for their lives.



Gr. 7's on their way to Bamfield!

On Wed, Feb 27th we held our Pink Day assembly. Student Council started the morning with their kindness assembly. Later Gr.4-7 were visited by presenter, Bee Powell from Safer Schools Together. She talked to students about the positive impact social media can have. Her talk was very engaging and she gave the students tools to make positive choices when using social media and how to ensure that you are creating a positive digital footprint.

Congratulations to Brendan Wong
Who is sitting in 2nd place after the Pre-
Novice Men's Short Program! Way to go!



Searchers Excellence

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



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**Mark Kram
Noah Mohan
Ondre Oulovsky**

1

**Chiara Cioffi
Emilia Damy
Sarah Kenny
Bronson Tagulao**

2

**Hadley Barnard
Juliusz Krol
Oscar Parris**

3A

**Celeste Barassi
Michela Caldarella
Ellie Perizzolo**

3B

**Dario Aiello
Ethan Fast
Martina Holzer**

4A

**Mattias Banicevic
Alyssa Bartolone
Nicolo Mauro**

4B

**Adam Kuseler
Adrianna Loverro
Sophia Santorelli**

5A

**Jake Banivevic
Domenic Jir
Keanna Oulovsky**

5B

**Rylan Do
Rafael Gimenez
Milano Peloso**

6A

**Adriano Canosa
Anushka Dsouza
Karl Wong De Leon**

6B

**Fabrizio Cavasinni
Ava Lopez
Francesco Troisi**

7A

**Giulia Barassi
Maria Drazenovic**

7B

**Callum Macdonald
Christina Sachinidis**



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



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