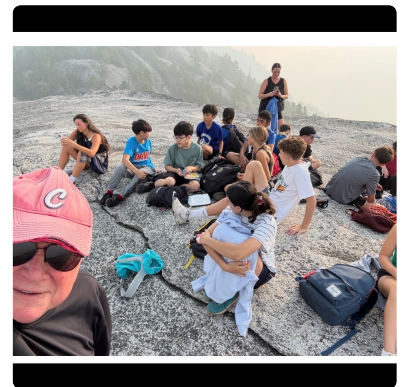




JUNE NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Students,

The 2025–2026 school year has truly been a year of renewal, growth, and purposeful improvement at St. Helen's School. Together, we strengthened our commitment to the British Columbia curriculum while keeping our Catholic faith at the center of all we do.



In Language Arts, we continued to build strong readers, writers, and communicators. Our Read Well program flourished with additional resources, while handwriting and spelling remained visible, structured, and active parts of daily learning.

In Mathematics, we focused on mastering the fundamentals. By building confidence in core skills, our students are better prepared to engage in deeper problem-solving and inquiry-based learning.

In Science, we enhanced both our learning environment and student experience. With improvements to our lab and increased opportunities for hands-on projects, students explored, created, and applied their knowledge with growing confidence and curiosity.

Our faith life remained the heart of our school. Through the sacraments, the Human Growth and Development program, and The "I Am a Gift from God" program, we continued to nurture the whole child. We are especially grateful to our parents for their partnership and leadership in supporting these important areas.

At St. Helen's, we proudly continue to grow as a Blue Ribbon School—a community committed not only to achievement, but to excellence in how we learn, think, communicate, and support one another. Our students demonstrated perseverance, responsibility, and pride in their work and in

their appearance. Our teachers remained dedicated professionals, always striving to refine their practice and inspire each child. Our broader community showed unwavering support, reminding us that education is strongest when we work together.

While we celebrate many accomplishments, we also recognize that continuous improvement is part of our mission. We will continue to build on this strong foundation, always aiming higher, always striving for excellence, and always supporting one another in faith and learning.

I would like to extend a special congratulations to our Grade 7 class. Your achievements this year have been outstanding. You have grown as leaders, role models, and young people of faith. We are proud of you and wish you every success and blessing in your future endeavors.

Thank you to our staff, parents, and students for making this year so meaningful. It is an honour to serve such a vibrant, faith-filled, and forward-thinking community.

Waldemar Sambor
Principal

JUNE AT A GLANCE

JUNE 1-5 BIKE TO SCHOOL WEEK

JUNE 3 TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS @ SWANGARD

JUNE 4 INVENTOR'S FAIR 6:00-7:00 pm Gym

JUNE 5 GR.7 YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR FAIR (1:30-3:00 PM)

**We recommend your child come with no more than \$20 in small amounts (loonies & toonies)*

JUNE 10 GRAD LUNCH (WHITE SPOT)

JUNE 11 LAST DAY OF FANTUAN LUNCH

JUNE 12 SPORTS DAY (12 PM DISMISSAL)

JUNE 12 YEAR-END BBQ (5-8 PM)

JUNE 15 TALENT SHARE (12 PM DISMISSAL)

JUNE 15 NON UNIFORM DAY

JUNE 16 KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

JUNE 16 GRAD LUNCH (HOT DOG)

JUNE 17 GR.5 FATHER'S DAY COFFEE N' DONUTS

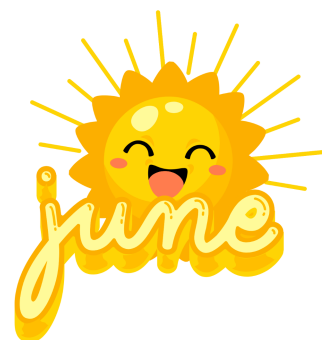
JUNE 18 GR.7 GRADUATION

JUNE 20 4:00 Mass, Opening of the East Wing Ceremony, Father Al 20 years of Ordination, Reception. More Information regarding the above event will be sent soon. This event will be organized by the Parish, CWL, PEC and school staff. 🏛️

JUNE 22 TERM 3 LEARNING UPDATES GET PUBLISHED ON MYED BC

JUNE 22-25 NO UNIFORM

JUNE 25 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (10:30 AM DISMISSAL)



PSG

Parent Support Group (PSG) – Volunteer Leadership Opportunities

St. Helen's School is blessed with a wonderful community of parents who generously support our students, staff, and programs throughout the year. As we prepare for the upcoming school year, we are inviting parents who may be interested in serving on our Parent Support Group (PSG) Executive.

The PSG plays an important role in:

- Supporting school events and activities
- Building community spirit
- Assisting with fundraising initiatives
- Supporting student programs and school improvement projects
- Encouraging parent involvement in school life

We are currently looking for parents interested in serving in positions such as:

- Chairperson
- Vice-Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Serving on the PSG is a meaningful way to contribute to our school community, meet other families, and support the educational and faith journey of our students.

Thank you for your continued support, generosity, and commitment to St. Helen's School.

Waldemar Sambor
Principal
St. Helen's School

Note :

If you are interested, please come to the meeting on June 8 st at 4:00 pm which will take place in the Library.

Living HEALTHY with FAITH



PERSONAL BEST

KA Paxton Lachapelle, Leonardo Lanci, Mila Loa, Luka Savasir, Ofelia Guglielmucci

KB Leo Ballarin, Charles Tan, Anthony Ye

1 Joseph Kinane, Allegra Mobilio, Daniel Van Woerden, Mia Zhou

2A Jude George, Emery Young, Ella Baruffa

2B Maja Cirjak, Viviana Jukic, Nathaniel Silva

3A Caela Chung, Samia Kugel, Brayden Lim

3B Mia Turvey, Amelia Woo

4A Leo Hu, James Tan, Rhea Walker, Eunice Tsai

4B - Emery Nguyen, Henry Han, Kevin Kim, Sarah Silva Ribeiro, Noah Torrealba, Charlie Tse, Mia Vujicic, Adrian Yam, Austin Tsai, Nicolas Vassilas

5A Sean Fujiwara, Alessia Yi Carolo, Nathaniel Lu

5B Sierra Garcia, Chloe An

6A Mathew Guilbault, Ethan Huang, Sohan Sodhi, Tang Wu

6B Patrick Kinane, Benjamin Lacuna, Yully Seo, Lucien Tsai

7 Adriano Cremona, Gabriel Cruz, Haysten Lore, Aria Yen





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Welcome to our site. This is just a place holder page while we gather our content. Welcome to our parish! Visitors are always welcome. If you're looking for a new parish to call home, we would...

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Moments That Make Us Proud



Chess Champion Adrian Yam

St. Helen's Students Shine at the BC Chess Championship

Congratulations to Adrian Yam and Marcus Kung for representing our school at the BC Chess Championship.

Adrian achieved an outstanding result by finishing as the runner-up in the championship –an unbelievable accomplishment that reflects his dedication, strategic thinking, and many hours of practice. Marcus also performed very well, demonstrating strong chess skills and excellent sportsmanship throughout the competition.

We are incredibly proud of both students for their hard work and for representing St. Helen's School with such excellence.

Congratulations, Adrian and Marcus, on your remarkable



2 students Represent SHS

Adrian Yam and Marcus Kung



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Students Making a Difference

A special congratulations to Avril from Grade 3A and Sofia, who participated in the Down Syndrome Foundation 5K Run on Sunday. The girls did an incredible job, showing determination, compassion, and community spirit while supporting a wonderful cause.

This event was especially meaningful for Avril, as she was running in support of her brother and many others in the Down syndrome community. We are very proud of both students for using their energy and enthusiasm to make a positive difference. Miss Alessia Giammaria Grade 4 teacher, also participated.

achievements!



Bike to School Week

Back to School Bike Week – A Great Start!

Our Back to School Bike Week is off to an extremely successful start! Today, close to 50 students biked to school, which is wonderful to see.

I reminded students that electric bikes and electric scooters are not permitted for elementary school students. I am very pleased to report that we did not have any students arrive on e-bikes or e-scooters today.

My hope is that tomorrow we can triple the number of students biking to school! I will also be biking tomorrow and look forward to seeing many of our students on the road. Although I am a little older and live near Grouse Mountain, I will be making the ride as well!

Parents, please ensure that:

- Your child has your permission to bike to school.
- Their bicycle is in good working condition.
- They wear a properly fitted helmet at all times.

Thank you for supporting healthy, active transportation. Have a safe ride, and I look



Sample of the Great Roller Coaster Project

Building Roller Coasters: Learning Through Design

Students are designing and building roller coasters while exploring important concepts in science, mathematics, and architecture. Through this hands-on project, students learn about gravity, speed, momentum, energy transfer, and the forces that affect motion.

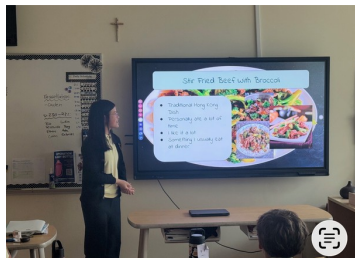


Gr 2 Roller Coaster Project

Both Gr 2 Classes did Great Projects

forward to seeing even more bikes tomorrow!

Waldemar Sambor
Principal



Healthy living in Gr 6



Science in Gr.2



School BBQ

School BBQ to Be Bigger Than Ever! June 12 5-8 pm

This year's School BBQ promises to be one of the best celebrations yet as we combine it with the excitement of the World Cup!

Families can look forward to a fun-filled day featuring great food, music, games, activities, and many special attractions for children and adults alike. It will be a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together, celebrate, and enjoy a festive atmosphere.

More information about the event, activities, and schedule will be provided by our Parent Participation Committee (PEC) as soon as details are finalized.

Mark your calendars—we look forward to celebrating with everyone!



Track and Field Reminder

4x100 Relay Practice
Tomorrow, be at the school by
8:45am
CISVA Day 2 - Wednesday, June
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Support Mission Society

This Friday, following our
Rosary gathering, we will be
collecting gently used shoes
and jackets for the Mission
Society.
If your child has any shoes,
boots, coats, jackets, or warm
clothing that are no longer
being used, please consider
donating them. These items
will be sent to people in
countries affected by war and
hardship.
This is a wonderful opportunity
for our students and families
to put their faith into action by
helping those in need.
Collection Date: Friday only
Thank you for your generosity
and support.

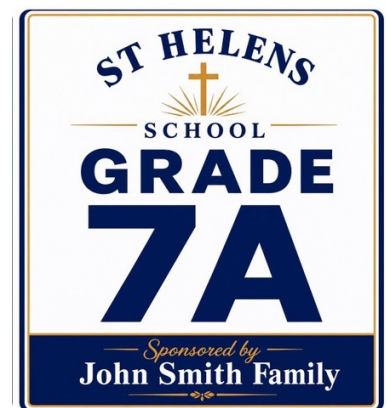
Grade 3's Swim at Kensington Pool (Physical Education Class)

Primary grades resume
swimming classes next year.
Shortage of lifeguards and
swimming instructors did not
allow us to proceed with the
program.

Grade 7 Grad Committee -Thank You and Legacy Gift

Dear families, I'm writing to you today to express my sincere. Thank you for the dedication and hard work of this years grad committee. Seems like it's getting better and better every single year they create community, and good energy and show great cooperation. Their mission was very clear create fundraising events and build community spirit to achieve that task. They were to organize lunches, concession treat sales, movie night and bring connection and joy to our students and and each other a joy to our students and families. Fundraising is always very important since the school wouldn't be able to function without your cooperation. They still have two more events we are working together on, a 50/50 raffle, and we are in the process of making **permanent metal signs** for our grades. Please see the photo below. *We are asking for sponsors.* Those signs will stay for many, many years because they are permanent. If it's four names on the plaque, then it's \$250; if it's one name, it's \$1000. We already have some donors, the proceeds, of course goes towards our legacy gift, which is the new entrance mats for the West Wing doors and also cover the cost of capital expenses for the East Wing. More details will come from the Grad Committee in the later time. Thank you to all of you and our grad committee.

Waldemar Sambor



Principal



St. Helen's School

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