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Division News

Many of our students and staff attended **Catholic Education Sunday** within our local parishes. For Catholic Education Sunday, we celebrate God's light that shines throughout our division! It was great to see so many staff and students at our parishes for Catholic Education Sunday!

“At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God’s own love and concern.” - Mother Teresa.

During **Advent**, many of our schools will be participating in acts of service collecting hamper items and donations in support of community organizations.

Phase 2 of Capital Engagement wrapped up on December 2 and early evaluation reports show that both staff and families were pleased with the engagement process. Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the work throughout the year-long process.

School News

Junior High Religion students from **Legal School** visited the seniors at Chateau Sturgeon Lodge. They have been going over once a month as part of building community and visiting with the seniors! Wonderful service project and connection for all involved!

Grade 12 **École Secondaire St. Albert Catholic High School** student Avalina Zenari is one of the 40 students on the 2022-23 Minister’s Youth Council, a volunteer group which advises Alberta’s education minister about education issues. She is the only student from a St. Albert or Sturgeon County school division on the council this school year. Avalina said the council held its first meeting online on October 14 to 16, during which she took part in lectures and workshops on education issues with students from across the province. She also got to make a presentation to Alberta Education Minister Adriana LaGrange.

Kindergarten students from **Sister Alphonse Academy** visited the seniors from the St. Albert Retirement Residence where they were able to spread some Christmas cheer. Both the seniors and students participated in a coordinated Christmas song and dance, followed by a visit with Santa and ice cream.

Earlier this month, students from **École Father Jan** joined together to mark the beginning of the advent season. In the Jaguar's house teams, they created wreaths in their house colours as well as everyone traced a hand in green to fill our EFJ Christmas Wreath. Thank you to the families who joined us during our assembly.



Grade 3 students from **École Marie Poburan** lead an advent liturgy. They reflected on how they are preparing their hearts for the arrival of Christmas. Thank you to Colin Loiselle, the Division Religious Education Consultant, for joining the school and sharing a reflection on the advent season. Let's arise with haste and give generously to those in need. Let's help bring happiness to other families this Christmas.

CONSENT & ACTION ITEMS

The following Action items were approved:

- 13.1. Capital Engagement Phase 2 What We Heard Report
- 13.2. Revision of the 2022-2023 Board Meeting Schedule – Additional Meeting

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- 15.2.1. 2022-2023 Fall Budget Update (Paulik)
- 15.2.2. Field Trip Report 1 (Dumont)
- 15.2.3. Request for Information: Role of Catholic Partnerships (Moroziuk)
- 15.2.4. Insurance Update (Paulik)
- 15.2.5. 2021-2022 Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Examination Report (Giesbrecht)

The next board meeting will be held on Monday, January 9th, 2023 at 4:30 pm.

