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Chief Superintendent March Message

The mission of Bishop Savaryn School is to provide a Catholic education that empowers students to achieve their full potential as they journey toward becoming faith-filled, ethical, global citizens.

Dear Bishop Savaryn Families,

As we enter this sacred season of Lent, our school community begins a meaningful journey of prayer, almsgiving, and fasting. This time invites us to reflect, renew our hearts, and prepare for Holy Week and the joy of Easter.

We warmly invite all families to join us on **Friday, March 6 at 7:00 PM** at St. Charles Parish for the Stations of the Cross. Our Grade 6 students and members of student council will be leading the devotion alongside Deacon Joseph. We hope many families will join us in prayer and reflection.

Our partnership with the parish and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continues to be a cherished part of our school identity. As part of our annual tradition, students will be bringing home a brown paper bag for our Lenten Food Drive (March 9-March 20). Families are kindly encouraged to fill the bag with non-perishable food items and bring donations to our Celebration of Learning on March 19.

We also have several exciting events planned throughout the month, including our Spring Concert on March 25. More details will be shared soon, and we look forward to welcoming our school community for this joyful gathering.

Thank you to all families who placed orders through our Online Store. We anticipate delivery during the week of March 23, and items will be sent home with students once they arrive.

May God bless our Lenten journey and fill our hearts with hope.

Mme Thomlinson & Mme Quintin

Directrice

Directrice-Adjointe



Important Reminders

*****All families are reminded to complete the pre-enrolment for the 2026-27 school year on PowerSchool by March 13.**

ecsd.net/pre-enrolment.

March 6:
Assurance Survey Closes

March 8: Daylight Saving Time begins

March 14: Cabane à sucre Ecole JH Picard

March 19: Celebration of Learning & Book Fair

Spring Break:
March 30 - April 6

Website:

bishopsavaryn.ecsd.net

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March Important Dates



Mois de la francophonie

March 2	March 2-6 Semaine Carnavale Daniel Gervais performances for all grades
March 3	Sugar Shack: Cabane à sucre - La tire for all grades Wear plaid shirts
March 4	Francophone Olympian Athlete Presentation March Assembly at 2:15PM (Self-Control/Physical Wellbeing) Wear red or a Canada shirt
March 6	African Dancing Workshop for all grades Traditional cultural wear Stations of the Cross - St Charles Parish 7:00 PM
March 14	Cabane à sucre - JH Picard 1:00 -3:30 PM
March 18	School Council Meeting at 6:00 PM
March 19	Celebration of Learning 1:00 - 7:00 PM & Book Fair
March 20	Hot Lunch - Popeyes & Theme Day: Creative Hair Day
March 25	Spring Concert
March 26	Kindergarten Extra Day - Puppeteer Full Day - Dismissal at 3:04 PM
March 27	Early Dismissal at 11:35 AM
March 30- April 6	Spring Break - No School April 3 -6 Easter Weekend April 7: Students return to school

March Assembly

Our March Assembly will be held on March 4 at 2:15 PM.

This month, our leadership skill will focus on the Catholic virtue of self-control. Our Wellness Leaders will continue to share information on holistic wellness grounded in the Indigenous Medicine Wheel. March will focus on physical health.

Families are welcome to attend the assembly.

School Council

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 18 at 6:00 PM

Bishop Savaryn School Council Hybrid Meeting.
Join us for an informative evening.

Celebration of Learning

Students will have the opportunity to share and showcase their learning on **Thursday, March 19**.

Teachers will be sending out more information and available times to visit the classroom.

Scholastic Book Fair:

Visit the book fair during our Celebration of Learning. The book fair will be held in the library.

St Charles Parish

St Charles Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM

<https://saint-charles.com/>

French Immersion

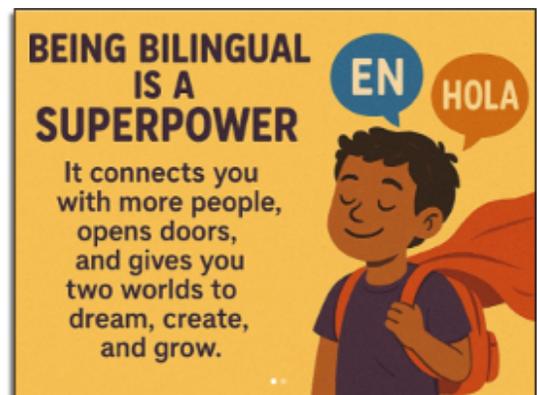


Date: Saturday, March 14, 2026

Time: 1:00 – 3:30 PM

Location: École J.H. Picard ([7055 99 St. NW, Edmonton](#))

Cost: \$10 per family, payable through the “school fees” link located in [PowerSchool](#). Your payment in PowerSchool is considered your registration for the event. The week before the event, you will receive a ticket and schedule for the day's activities.



Semaine Carnavale

We are delighted to kick off Le Mois de la francophonie with an exciting week of French cultural activities from March 2–6. Our students will have the opportunity to explore and celebrate the richness of Francophone culture through engaging experiences.

For a full overview of events, please visit our school website calendar.

<https://bishopsavaryn.ecsd.net/calendar>



Parking & School Safety - Review all parking information [HERE](#)



Hot Lunch Program

March Hot Lunch: Friday, March 20, from Popeyes.

Orders are due by Sunday, March 15.

Late orders will not be accepted. Grade 1-6 ONLY

<https://healthyhunger.ca/>

Student Council & Social Justice

Student council had Retro Day and that was huge success. Thank you to everyone who participated! We raised over 600\$ with our Candy Gram sales for our Social Justice project. All of the monies were donated to the Dream for Kids Foundation supported by the Edmonton Catholic Schools Foundation. On March 6 at 7:00 pm at St. Charles Parish, our Grade 6 students and student council will be leading the Stations of the Cross. Please come and join us. Our Social Justice initiative this month will be our annual Lenten Food Drive (March 9-March 20). Families are kindly encouraged to fill the bag with non-perishable food items and bring their donations to our Celebration of Learning on March 19.

March Clubs

jeudi 10:15-10:30 Salle Multi-usage	Conseil d'étudiants Mme Quintin, Mme Adèle, Mme Leclerc
6e année mardi-6e année Salle de musique	Book Club Mme Bujold
1e et 2e année mardi - 10:15-10:30 Bibliothèque	Coding Club Mme Adèle, Mme Assia
3e année lundi 10:15-10:30 Chapel	Prayer Club Mme Angela, Mme Monique

Thank you to the teachers for offering clubs during the month of March.

Pre-Enrolment Deadline March 13

Reminder of Deadline for Pre-Enrolment

Don't forget to share your plans for the 2026-2027 school year! Sign in to your PowerSchool account and click on "Pre-Enrolment for Next Year" to let us know if you will be returning to our school or where you will be attending next year. The pre-enrolment process lets us know how many students to expect in September 2026 and helps us plan for staffing, class sizes, and programming. You can find more information about pre-enrolment on ecsd.net/pre-enrolment.

Pre-Enrolment for CURRENT STUDENTS

- Log in to PowerSchool.ecsd.net
- Click on the Pre-Enrolment for Next Year icon
- Follow the instructions to select your 2026-2027 school
- Complete for each child registered with ECSD

Visit ecsd.net for more information



HELP teach our students to be safe by ONLY using the crosswalk to get across the street.

Did you know....Indigenous Trivia Tips



TRIVIA TIP: SACRED CIRCLE

Did you know, The Circle is a Sacred Symbol of Indigenous Nations around the world?



In First Nation spirituality the circle is everywhere – the medicine wheel, meetings and gatherings are held in circles, dances go in circles, drums are round, as are sweat lodges and tipis. The circle is the symbol of the cycle of all forms of life, in the circle we are equal and connected.

**Scan the QR Code
to learn more:**



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0PgrfCVct_A

WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MEDIA LITERACY

Through out the year, themes will be highlighted monthly to support your child's journey as a digital citizenship. Join them as a partner in their education navigating the digital world!



What is Important About Media Literacy?

In Grades 4 to 6, students are becoming more independent with media. They learn to think critically about the messages they see, hear, and read, understanding that media can be edited or designed to influence opinions. They explore how images, sounds, and words can change how people feel or think.



Media Literacy Tips for Parents

- **Ask Critical Questions:** Encourage questions like, “Who created this?” “What do they want me to think?” and “Is this information true?”
- **Compare Media Sources:** Look at the same news story from different sources. Discuss what’s the same and what’s different.
- **Discuss Emotional Reactions:** Talk about how certain images, sounds, or words in media make them feel and why.
- **Spot Edited Content:** Teach your child how to recognize edited photos, videos, or audio and discuss why changes were made.
- **Talk About Advertisements:** Help them understand how ads are designed to persuade people to buy products or believe certain ideas.
- **Model Media Literacy:** Share how you evaluate media by explaining your thought process when reading articles or watching news.
- **Encourage Healthy Skepticism:** Remind your child to question things they see online and not believe everything immediately.
- **Set Screen Time Boundaries:** Create family media rules to balance online activities with offline time.
- **Promote Media Creation:** Encourage your child to create their own content, helping them understand how messages are crafted.
- **Celebrate Thoughtful Thinking:** Praise your child when they ask insightful questions or notice something interesting in media.



Additional Resources



[Common Sense Media - What is Media Literacy and Why is it Important](#)

[Media Smarts: That's Not Me: Diversity and Media](#)



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Illness Prevention

The health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff remain our top priority. Please continue to monitor your child for symptoms daily before coming to school. This is one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of illness.

Anyone who is exhibiting symptoms of illness, including fever, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, new or worsening cough, or shortness of breath, should remain at home until their symptoms have improved and they have been free of fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, and they feel well enough to resume normal activities. If your child becomes sick at school, parents/guardians will be called to pick them up. If your child is away from school for any reason, please call the office.



As the weather turns colder, please send your child/children to school dressed for outdoor weather. Students will be outdoors unless the temperature falls below -20C.

