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St Paul Regional High School

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2021

School Calendar 2020-2021

- ***Feb 01***— Semester Two Begins
- ***Feb 02***— Second Semester Pictures
- ***Feb 05***— Last Day for Course Changes
- ***Feb 10***— PD Day
- ***Feb 11 - 12***— Teachers' Convention
- ***Feb 15***— Family Day
- ***Feb 25***— School Council Meeting @ 7 pm

- ***Mar 4 - 5***— Graduation Pictures
- ***Mar 8***—PD Day
- ***Mar 9***—Parent Teacher Interviews
- ***Mar 11***— Grade 9 Orientation Night *Tentative
- ***Mar 11***—SAINTS SHOWCASE *Tentative
- ***Mar 25***—School Council Meeting @ 7 pm
- ***Mar 29***—Spring/Easter Break Begins

- **Apr 06**— School Begins
- ***Apr 12 - 20***— April diploma exams
- **Apr 09**— Graduation picture retakes
- **Apr 13**— Cycle one ends
- **Apr 14**— Cycle two begins
- ***Apr 23***— PD Day
- ***Apr 29***—School Council Meeting @ 7 pm

- ***May 05***— Report Cards Issued
- ***May 21***— PD Day
- ***May 24***— Victoria Day
- ***May 27***— School Council Meeting @ 7 pm

- ***Jun 04***— PD Day No School
- ***Jun 15***— Last Day of Regular Classes
- ***Jun 16***— Final Core Exams Begin
- ***Jun 26***— Graduation
- ***Jun 28***— PD Day

SCHOOL FEES

School fees will be calculated and updated in Powerschool in the coming weeks. You will be able to see the updated fees in your Parent/Student Portal.

Fees will be made payable online through SCHOOL CASH ONLINE
If you haven't already, we encourage you to make an account.

See page 3 for more information**

Graduation Update

Class of 2021, we are excited to see you back at school even if it is in a mask and from 6ft away. About this time of year we are usually having our Parent and Student Grad Information Meeting, and we haven't forgot about you - it is just too early to say what Grad 2021 will look like. Never fear, there will be a celebration/ceremony of some sort; we did it before and we can do it again. Stay tuned for more information in the days and months to come. With that in mind, the following information is available:

GRAD RING SALES
As of right now, a sales rep cannot visit the school. However, rings are available to order online at **www.jostens.com**

GRAD PORTRAITS
LifeTouch is scheduled to be at Regional High School **March 3rd, 4th, and 5th.** Should anything change, we will be sure to announce the changes as soon as we know them. Appointments can be booked on-line by the students.

Visit https://www.sprhs.ca/grad

At-Home Learning

As of now, classes have resumed and students are back in our building for in-person learning. That being said, the option to learn from home is available for those who are unable to attend in person.

If you would like to take advantage of our At-Home Learning program, we ask that you call the office to discuss the process.

Please bear in mind that it can take a few days to set students up and make arrangements with teachers, and not all of our programs can be offered online.

Attendance Phone

text

780 - 614 - 3731

It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to contact the office to report any absences for a student.

Mark Tichkowsky, Principal

Principal's Message

Semester one has come and gone. With final exams completed, report cards will be handed out during block 1 on Friday, February 5th. If you would like a copy mailed home please contact the main office at 780-645-4491.

February is always a busy month with Valentine's day, Post-Secondary institution virtual visits, and teachers convention. We have a Professional Development day on Wednesday, February 10th, virtual teachers convention on Thursday, February 11th and Friday, February 12th, as well as Family day on Monday, February 15th.

In order to ensure the safety of all students and staff, we ask that students review the safety protocols posted on our school website and main doors. You must wear your mask properly, practice physical distancing at all times and wash your hands. Safety is our top priority!

Next, we want to remind students that if you are an At-Home Learner for Semester 2 to please contact the school so we can update our current list.

February 2021

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
1 Lasagna Beef or Vegetarian	2 Perogies (8)	3 Nacho Supreme	4 Spring Roll, Garlic Ribs, Raw Veggies	5 Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes and Veggies
8 Baked Spaghetti with Caesar Salad	9 Meatballs in Gravy, Mashed Potatoes and Carrots	10 NO SCHOOL	11 NO SCHOOL	12 NO SCHOOL
15 FAMILY DAY	16 SHROVE TUES. Pancakes & Sausage	17 Bannock Tacos	18 BBQ Chicken, Fries and Coleslaw	19 Pizza Burger
22 Chicken on a Cloud	23 Fish Sticks, Wedges and Coleslaw	24 Sloppy Joes	25 Roast Beef Dinner	26 Chicken in Mushroom Sauce, Egg Noodles, California Vegetables

#PINKSHIRTDAY

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

NO SCHOOL

- **FEB. 10 -** PD Day
- **FEB. 11-12 -** Teacher's Conv.
- **FEB. 15 -** Family Day

SchoolCashOnline

SCHOOL CASH

School fees will be accepted using School Cash Online in an effort to minimize traffic in our schools and increase efficiency.

School Cash Online helps parents and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly and easily. By using School Cash Online, you help increase efficiency and security at schools by making payments directly into the school's bank account. This allows teachers and secretaries to focus on helping students, and not counting cash. Plus, you get to stay informed of your child's activities and needs!

The new system puts all of the school fees available to your student online for purchase. You can then choose to pay these fees online through different methods, including credit cards and eCheck. You can also stay informed and keep track of which school fees require your attention.

You are able to register – a simple task that takes less than five minutes – by visiting https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com

(If you do not receive an email verification please check your spam folder.)

Please note: You do not need your child's student number. For security purposes St. Paul Education is not using unique student identification numbers. Please ensure "I do not have the student number" is selected when registering.

Also, upon registration you will be asked if you would like to receive notifications via email. **We strongly encourage you to say yes to this request in order to receive future notification of items available to purchase online.**

REPORT CARDS

FEBRUARY 5, 2021

School Registration Forms

Every year Alberta Education requires us to get updated signatures on our registration forms, FOIP consent forms, technology use forms, etc.

This year, we sent packages home with students back in September to be signed and returned at your convenience. To those of you who have returned the forms —Thank you!

If you received a package in the mail before the break, we still need your updated signatures.

If you have not already done so, please sign and return all forms to the school office ASAP.

YEARBOOK

Our 2020—2021 Yearbook is underway!

Jenn Dunlop— an Educational Assistant at Regional— has taken the project under her wing.

A new yearbook section has been added to our school website under the 'students' tab. There you can find a link to order a yearbook and also a link to **submit photos**—***This is YOUR book! Help us fill it with photos that represent your year.***

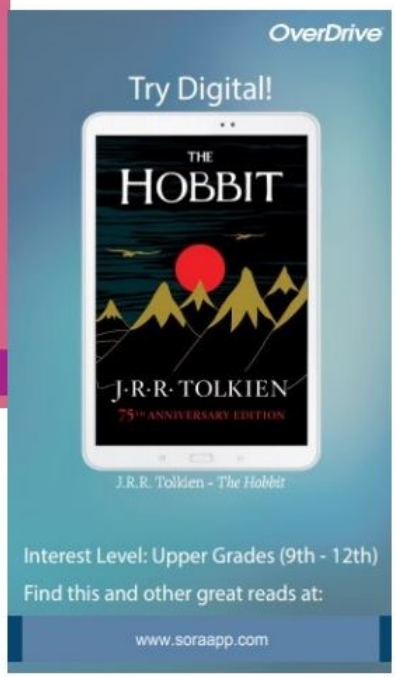
BUY A BOOK

$60.00 each

www.sprhs.ca

BORROW EBOOKS & AUDIOBOOKS

free from the school



Need help?
Come see me
Mrs. Della

DOWNLOAD THE APP

GET IT ON Google Play

Download on the App Store

Search: soraapp

- Find my school
- Alberta Public School K-12
- This is my School
- Select your School

St Paul Education Regional Division No1

Log in: last4first4

Password: *****

(*this password is the same as your Google / computer login at school)

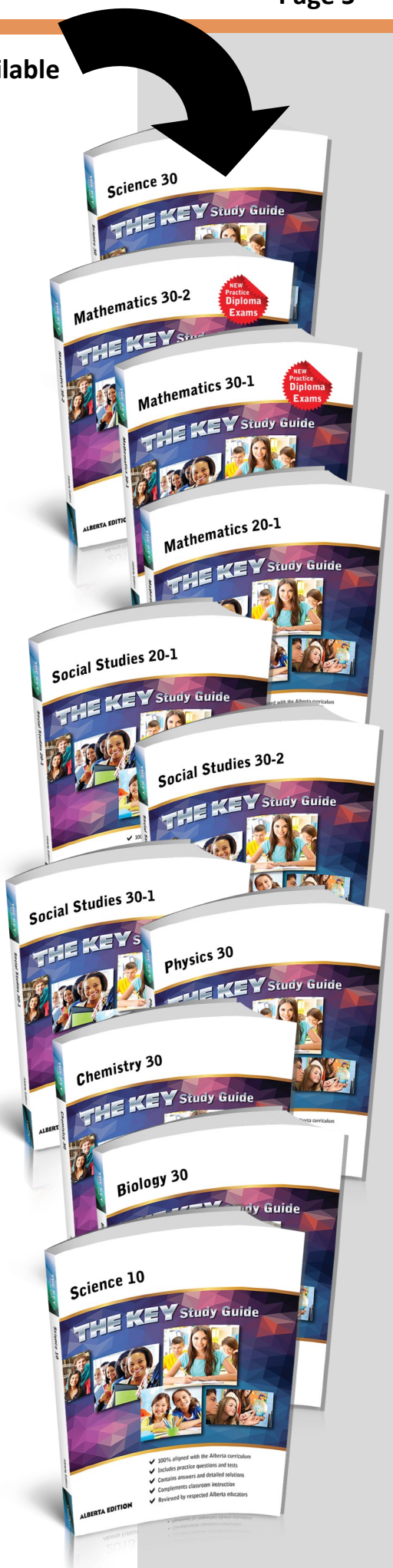
Or use this Quick code: apssdcca

Guides Available

THE KEY
Study guides

$20.00 each

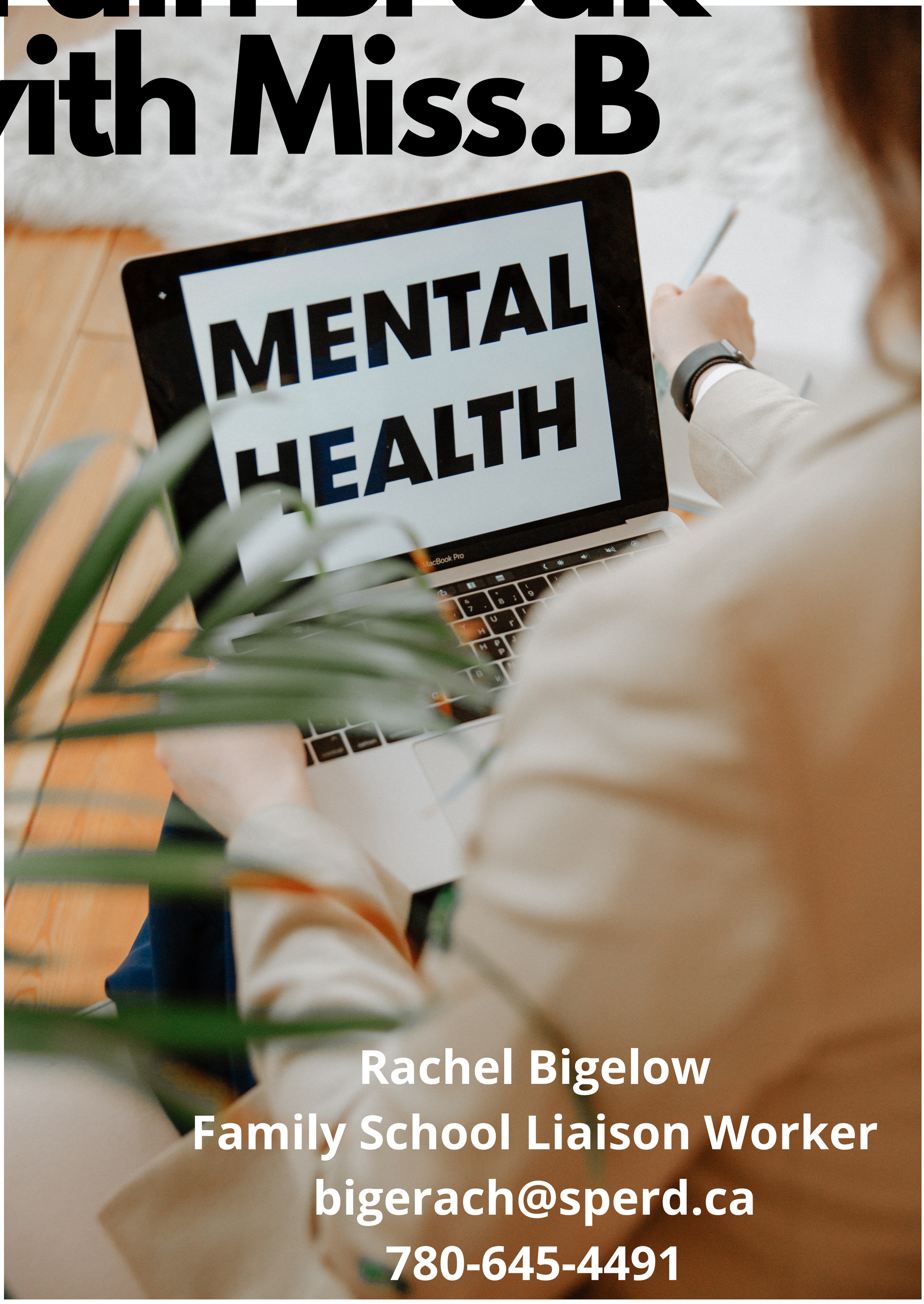
Available in the office.



THE KEY Study Guide is specifically designed to assist students prepare for quizzes, unit tests, and final exams throughout the year. It is 100% aligned with the current Alberta curriculum .

- *Each unit includes essential teaching pieces, practice questions, unit tests, answers, and detailed solutions.*
- *Challenger Questions provide students difficult questions that test their depth of knowledge.*
- *The complete solutions show problem-solving methods, explain key concepts, and highlight potential errors.*
- *The resource is ideal for yearlong use by students, teachers, and parents at home or at school.*
- *A Table of Correlations at the beginning of each unit identifies the curriculum outcomes for the unit and the multiple-choice, numerical-response, and written-response questions that specifically test those concepts.*
- *To help students understand the curriculum, THE KEY provides explanations for key concepts at the beginning of each unit and practice questions.*
- *Final tests modelled after the diploma exams are provided in THE KEY. Students may use it to become familiar with provincial exam format and rigor.*
- *Detailed solutions are provided for all questions. Solutions show the processes and ideas used in arriving at the correct answers and may help students*

Brain Break with Miss.B



Rachel Bigelow
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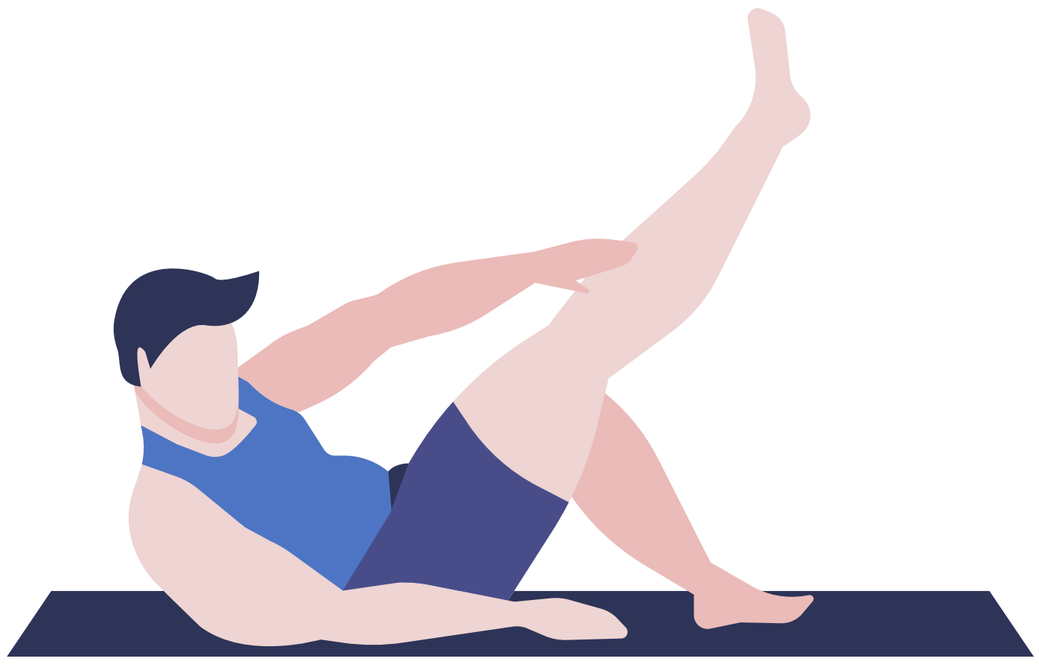
february

**Self Love

** These are a couple of ideas, you know you best!



Move your body

Positive self talk

ZZZ

Rest your body
and mind

Surround yourself with
people who love and
encourage you

Pink Shirt Day

Wednesday, February 24

This years' Pink Shirt Day theme is Lift Eachother Up.

While bullying affects so many people physically, emotionally and mentally, we know there are many students, parents, schools and community members that want to know what they can do to help. Every contribution, whether it’s joining us in wearing pink on February 24, 2021 to show you’re taking a stand, or making an effort to practice kindness and acceptance, you can change a life.

https://www.pinkshirtday.ca/

Resources

Supportive Resources - St. Paul Regional High School Webpage

Healthy Together - A guide to family and home life during COVID-19

Mental Wellness Moments with Dr. Nicholas Mitchell

mindyourmind.ca - Mental Health Resources

February 2021

SPRHS

CAREER CORNER

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IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 1: Deadline for Terry Fox Humanitarian Award application, MacEwan University applications open for Winter 2022 start, Mount Royal University application deadline for early admission and some specific programs

Feb 4 (& 25): Concordia University of Edmonton Student for a Day

Feb 9: Careers Next Generation: Virtual Showcase on Electricians

Feb 11: Virtual Study Abroad Fair

Feb 17: Virtual Young Women in Industrial Trades event

Feb 17: Olds College Heavy Equipment Operator virtual event

Feb 17: UAlberta Current Students Insider Tips Virtual Q&A

Feb 23: NAIT School of Business program preview

Feb 24: NAIT School of Applied Science & Tech program preview

Mar 1: UAlberta application deadline, and UCalgary application deadline for fall 2021

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remind

Stay in the loop by joining our Remind messages to get text messages or emails about important dates and upcoming events. To sign up, please download the **REMIND** app and join our class using this code: **@sprhs12**

SCHOLARSHIPS

We have several scholarships available for students to apply for.

- Leaders in Equality Award of Distinction (LEAD) Program (due Feb 21)
- Right Honourable Don Mazankowski Award (due Feb 28)
- RBC Indigenous Student Awards (due Feb 28)
- RE/Max Quest for Excellence Scholarship (due Mar 15)

For more info, visit www.sprhs.ca/scholarships or check out our scholarship bulletin board at school.

MYBLUEPRINT

Have you worked on your myBlueprint account yet? Students have access to this online education/life planner to access MANY amazing features to help students. Set S.M.A.R.T. goals and actions plans to achieve them. Take 5 assessments to learn more about yourself (your personality, interests, etc.), write a resume and cover letter, plan your high school classes, and explore different occupations and learn what high school classes you need to take. If you forgot your password, please see your Career Counsellor for help.

2021 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP BOOKLET

Our 2021 Local Scholarship Booklet is now available for our grade 12 students and families, as well as for grads of 2020 who are now pursuing post-secondary. Paper copies are available at the school (see Mrs. Morrison) or you can view it online at www.sprhs.ca/scholarships

We have a wealth of school specific and division wide scholarships available to our students. Here's a list of recently added scholarships to check out: 1) Smile Quest Dental Higher Education Scholarship 2) Indigenous Legacy Scholarship 3) Weldon Stringer Memorial Scholarship and 4) Tom Starosielski Memorial Youth Athletic Scholarship

St. Paul Education

Board Meeting Summary
January 13, 2021

School Fees: Trustees passed a motion to resume fee collection as per the normal fee schedule. Given the uncertainty of school operations, trustees previously passed a motion to defer the collection of school fees until January 2021. Fees will be collected in February. Fees may be adjusted according to any program changes that occurred after the fees were originally posted.

2021-2022 School Calendar: The draft calendar proposed for 2021-22 takes into consideration what student learning needs may be after the pandemic. The draft will now be circulated to schools and school councils for further feedback. Parents and interested people who wish to see the draft calendar can go through their School Council.

Two Hills Mennonite School (THMS) Playground Grant: St. Paul Education is happy to announce that THMS has qualified for $250,000 for the procurement and installation of a playground at the school. Trustees will send a letter of appreciation to Minister of Education LaGrange and MLA Hominiuk.

Infrastructure and Maintenance Renewal (IMR) Plan: Trustees passed a motion to approve the proposed IMR plan for 2020-2021.

Board Policy 11-Board Delegation of Authority and Policy 8-Reviews, Appeals and Hearings Regarding Student Matters: Trustees passed a motion approving revisions to Policy 11-Board Delegation of Authority and Policy 8-Reviews, Appeals and Hearings Regarding Student Matters and as presented by Trustee Cook. All board policies including the revised policies can be viewed on the Division website.

Superintendent's Report

- All students K-12 enrolled in in-person learning have now returned to school. All sport and extra-curricular activities are still on hold until further notice.
- Regrettably, the status of any graduation ceremonies postponed from 2020 is still unknown.
- The Division website has recently been updated to provide a fresh look.
- In conjunction with Lakeland Catholic and
- , St. Paul Education has hired an Occupational Health & Safety consultant. This individual is working with each of the three school authorities to review and plan for health and safety risks, as they relate to COVID-19, in our buildings.
- St. Paul Education will be hosting a general staff meeting via Zoom on Thursday January 14, 2021 at 7 p.m. This will be a question and answer format. The purpose of the meeting is to listen to staff and identify changes that might further improve well-being and safety for students and staff for the remainder of the pandemic.

Financial Report

- Rebates for Town of St. Paul Bussing: For parents/guardians who paid in-town bus fees for the town of St. Paul, the Division will be issuing a rebate at the end of the year. The rebate will cover periods of time when busses did not run due to direction from the province for students to learn from home. This will include provincially-directed learn-from-home periods in December and January and others that may yet be announced.
- Alberta Education Funding: Under the new funding structure implemented for the current school year, funding is calculated according to a weighted moving average (WMA). The WMA is based on enrollment for the previous and current year and projected enrollment for the coming year. Alberta Education has recently asked for projected enrollments for 2021-22. The Division is projecting a slight decline of about 58 students overall for 2021-22.

Reports

Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA): Trustee Rajoo provided an update from the Zone 2 & 3 ASBA meeting.

Trustee Attendance Schedule: Trustees reviewed upcoming meetings and commitments.

Learning Network: Trustee Young reported that he will be attending the final Learning Network board meeting. The Learning Network provides for education-related professional development. Since the Learning Network is transitioning to the direction of the Council of Alberta School Superintendents the Board will be dissolved and a policy advisory committee has been formed. Trustee Young will continue to participate with the policy advisory committee.

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Correspondence

- Electoral Ward Bylaw: Please see the Division website for a live link to updated election information.
- Alberta Risk Management Insurance Consortium Division (ARMIC) Contract Bus Operator (CBO) Update: ARMIC has recently announced that they have secured insurance coverage for the remainder of the school year. Due to numerous challenges they had previously only been able to provide 90 days coverage until the end of January.
- Note of appreciation from a student in regards to the Board achievement award.