



St. Joseph's Catholic School

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St. Joseph's School acknowledges with gratitude that we work, play and pray on the territory and traditional lands of the Lekwungen Speaking Peoples of the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations whose historical relationship with the land continues today.

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Newsletter
February 6th, 2025



Living,
CELEBRATING
and Proclaiming
OUR FAITH



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Dear Families of St. Joseph's,

We have enjoyed celebrating Catholic Schools Week, and despite a snow day, our school community came together in wonderful ways! Here's a glimpse of the positive activities that took place:

Reading Together:

Students across the school participated in a shared reading of Peter Reynolds' *Say Something*. This inspiring book encouraged our students to express their gratitude and positivity. They wrote their thoughts in colorful speech bubbles, which are proudly displayed on our board for everyone to see. It's heartwarming to witness their voices shine!

Friendship, Faith, and Fun:

Our students enjoyed a day filled with friendship, faith, and fun, thanks to the Face 2 Face youth ministers Daniel and Tarren. Their engaging activities helped reinforce our values and brought joy to our students. They know how to make the Good News of God's Love shown in Jesus, attractive, inspiring and community focused. The kids had a blast.

Thank You Cards:

Classes worked together to create heartfelt thank you cards for our dedicated and caring parents. This activity not only fostered gratitude but also strengthened the bond within our community.

Cookies and Connection:

This morning, our staff shared delicious homemade cookies with parents in the parking lot. It was a sweet way to connect and show appreciation for your support and partnership in our school community.

Professional Development:

As part of our commitment to continuous improvement, we conclude the week with a system-wide Professional Development day focused on Universal Design for Learning. This initiative aims to better engage our learners and enhance their ability to express their learning through various means, ensuring every student has a voice and choice in their education.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us. Your support makes all the difference, and we are grateful to have such a wonderful community!

In Gratitude,

Glen Palabicky

Principal, St. Joseph's School



PRO-D DAY - NO SCHOOL TOMORROW!
Friday, February 7th

FREE PARENT PRESENTATION

Digital Health: Helping our Children and Youth Navigate the Digital World
Tuesday, February 11th, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Free parent presentation sponsored by our Parent Support Group. The guest speaker is Shannon Husk, a local registered clinical counsellor. Childcare will be provided! Please RSVP and register for childcare via the office or email bbella@cisdv.bc.ca.



THE 2025 ST. JOSEPH'S EASTER PURDY'S FUNDRAISER IS LIVE!

Here is the link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1982987-126556>

Orders are due by **Friday, March 21st**

Families can pick up their orders on April 7th, between 2-3pm in front of the school.

Any questions, please contact Monique: monique.les85@gmail.com



USED UNIFORM STORE

Are you looking for a specific item or size from our collection of used uniforms? Email Teresa at teresasalema@yahoo.com and she will see if she has the items you are looking for.



HOMEWORK CLUB

Monday to Thursday 2:40-3:10pm.

On Wednesdays, math tutors from St. Andrew's High School will be at Homework Club to offer support for Grade 6 and 7 students. This is a great opportunity for extra math help!



HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION

The deadline to drop applications at the High School is **Feb. 21st**.



WEEKLY SNAPSHOTS

Face2Face got the party started on Wednesday!





FAMILY MUSIC *Bingo*

FEBRUARY 6

FREE ENTRY

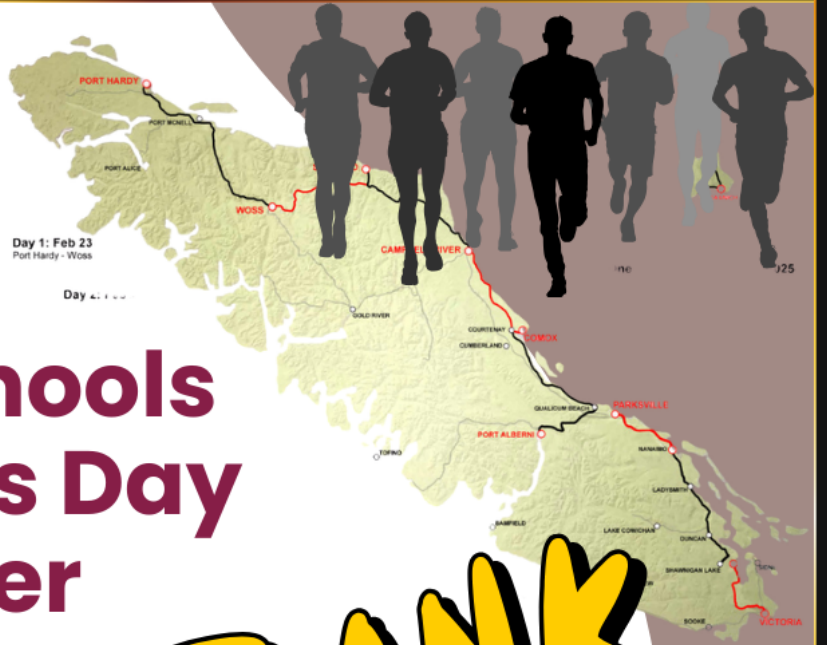
FOOD 5:30 PM | HOT DOG GUYS

MUSIC BINGO 6-8 PM



Your PSG invites you to Music
Bingo Night,
Feb 6th from 6-8pm
in the school gym.
This will be a
FREE ADMISSION event,
and a great chance to kick off
2025 as a school community.





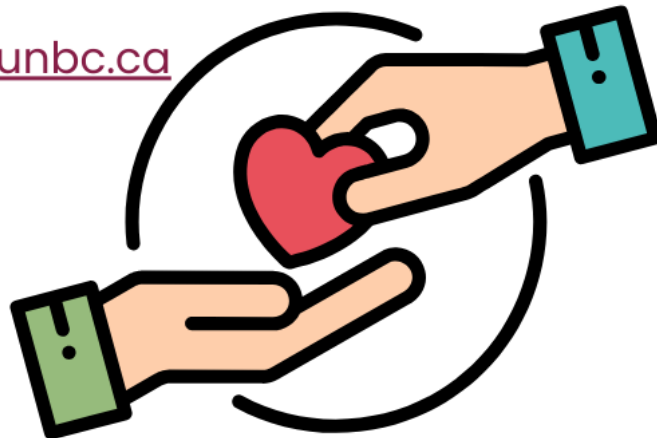
Catholic Schools Week Civvies Day Fundraiser

Dear St. Joseph's families;

Thank you for your generous donations to the Wounded Warriors Run! We are proud to present them with over \$500 in donations raised today. Please follow and cheer them as they run the length of Vancouver Island from February 23 - March

2 @ <https://woundedwarriorruncbc.ca>

THANK YOU!





TC10K

Looking for a fun way to get active and support our school community? Join the St. Joseph’s team for the Time Colonist 10K Run! It’s a great opportunity for families to get outside, get moving, and cheer each other on. Whether

you’re an experienced runner or just want to walk, everyone is welcome to participate. The event includes a 10km walk/run, 1.5km Family Fun Run, and a post-race festival.

Let’s show our school spirit, stay healthy, and have a blast together. Don’t miss out—sign up today and be part of the team!

https://raceroster.com/events/2025/95989/36th-annual-tc10k-powered-by-runsport/register?team=743662_ - Early Bird deadline is Jan. 31st

GO TIMBERWOLVES!

WINTER SPORTS PRACTICES

Schedule	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
8:00-8:30am	K+D Boys Volleyball (7:40-8:20)	Jr. Dance (7:40-8:30)	Prim. Dance (7:40-8:30)	Sr. Dance (7:40-8:30)	
11:55-12:25pm	B+C Girls Volleyball	Jazz Dance	D Boys Volleyball		Choir Practice
2:45-3:30pm	Musical Rehearsal	B+C Girls Volleyball (2:45-3:45)	Musical Rehearsal	K Boys Volleyball (2:45-3:30)	Musical Rehearsal

THE WOLF DEN

EVENTS 2025

UPCOMING

FEB STAFF VS GR. 7
6 STUDENTS FLOOR
HOCKEY GAME

FEB GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
11 JAMBOREE @ CEDAR
HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

FEB INTRAMURAL GAMES
13 TROPICS VS SITKAS
PRAETORIANS VS
EAGLES

FEB TEAM K VOLLEYBALL
13 @ ST. JOES WOLF DEN!
TEAM D VOLLEYBALL
@ SELKIRK MONTESSORI

THE WOLF DEN



ST. ANDREW'S
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2025 50/50

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Diverse Population & Centrally Located



Character & Faith Formation



Amazing Extra-curricular Offerings



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ST. JOSEPH'S KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 12TH, 5-6 PM, 757 BURNSIDE RD. W.

Come explore the indoor spaces and outdoor places where our children learn and grow! Please RSVP to 250-479-1232 to confirm attendance.

<https://stjosephschool.ca/>



ST. JOSEPH'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Open House

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11 AM-12 PM

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St. Joseph's Elementary School Presents

SISTER ACT JR.

Scan QR to buy tickets



Or search
"Sister Act Junior"
on [Eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)

Thursday
March 6 | 6:30 pm

Friday
March 7 | 6:30 pm

Saturday
March 8 | 1 pm & 6:30 pm



BAKE SALES

1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Oct 4th - Grade 7
Nov 8th - Grade 6
Dec 6th - Grade 5
Jan 10th - Grade 4

Feb 14th - Grade 3
Mar 7th - Grade 2
Apr 4th - Grade 1
May 2nd - Kindergarten



NEWS FROM THE CHANCERY



The Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA Canada) is hosting a special webinar with Joseph Hazboun, Regional Director in Jerusalem, to discuss the latest updates on the Gaza ceasefire. This event will take place on Wednesday, February 12, at 12:00 pm—join here, no registration required:

<https://bit.ly/3CnAktm>



Development & Peace is hosting two in-person Share Lent workshops: Saturday, February 15, in Victoria and Sunday, February 16, in Nanaimo. The Victoria workshop is at St. Patrick's Parish from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, followed by lunch (RSVP to Nancy Stuart at nancystuart7@gmail.com). The Nanaimo workshop is at Holy Trinity Parish from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM (any questions can be sent to robertson@aquinas.org).



Pope Francis has released a poignant message for World Day of the Sick on February 11 that reflects on suffering as an opportunity for a transformative encounter with God. He highlights the importance of presence, gift, and sharing as essential aspects of compassionate care. To read his full message, please visit:

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2025/01/27/250127f.html>



The Parish page on the Diocese website now includes an interactive map to help people find nearby parishes more easily. We hope this also encourages parishioners to learn more about other parishes across the Island and surrounding areas. Discover the map here: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/parishes>

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday: 6:30am

Tuesday: 6:30am and 6:00pm

Wednesday: 6:30am and 6:00pm

Thursday: 6:30am and 9:00am

Friday: 6:30am and 9:00am



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 6:30am

Saturday: 5:00pm (Livestream)

Sunday: 10:00am

Sunday: 6:00pm

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH YOUTH

GROUP Youth Group All Youth Grades 6 - 12 are invited to join us on Saturday evenings following! For more information, please contact SJTWYouthGroup@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Training

Nine free online sessions

Saturdays from 9:30 am - noon

February 1 - April 5 2025 (no session March 8)

Session 9
**Spouse
Caregiving, Healthy
Boundaries, and
Self-Care**
Apr 5

Session 1
**Basics of
Pastoral Care**
Feb 1

Session 2
**The Healing
Ministry of Christ**
Feb 8

Session 8
**Ministry of
God's Presence
and Compassion**
Mar 29

Session 3
**Active and
Compassionate
Listening**
Feb 15

Session 7
**Bereavement:
Ministering to
Families**
Mar 22

Session 4
**Elderly Isolation,
Loneliness, and
the Journey with
Dementia**
Feb 22

Session 6
**The Grieving
Process**
Mar 15

Session 5
**Palliative Care
and the Healing
Ministry for the
Dying**
Mar 1

For further
information,
please contact:
Moira King, Chair

Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee: moiraking@shaw.ca





1000X5

1000 Books by Age Five
Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria



Give more children the opportunity to love books

Before spring break, take a look around and send in a few books for babies and preschoolers to the pink bin in your school. Babies and preschoolers who are read to develop more vocabulary, greater imagination and an early understanding of how books work. Thanks for helping send 352,000 books into new hands.

PARENT COMMUNITY

BUSINESS DIRECTORY



*Please note that any manner of association, inclusion, and participation of any Businesses within this Directory, is not an indication of endorsement by St. Joseph's Elementary School or Church Parish or any of its affiliates.



Support Local Parent Owned Businesses!

Our Business Directory is a service provided by the Parents Support Group to help fundraise for our school children and also support our local parent businesses!



DIRECTORY:

Activity & Arts

- Ponies and Paint

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- Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax

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- Kung Pao Wok
- Maize Fusion Cuisine

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- Chatterton Way Dental
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- Qmulus

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WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT SUBSCRIPTIONS

PARENT COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY



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Ponies and Paint

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poniesandpaintnights@gmail.com

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poniesandpaintnights.com

Ponies and Paint Nights strives to provide a unique experience by blending art, horses, and nature in to an all-in-one experience! We do: paint nights, birthday parties, private events, wellness programs, & more! All ages welcome!



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Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax

Teya Jensen

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We provide bookkeeping for all types of small businesses, payroll, GST/PST filings and Personal income tax returns.



Food & Beverage

Kung Pao Wok

Ankie Leung

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Chinese Food (Hillside Shopping Center)



Maize Fusion Cuisine

Cesar Ibarra

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Restaurant: Mexican Canadian Food



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chattertonwaydental.ca

At Chatterton Way Dental, your oral health is our priority. Our dedicated team makes every visit comfortable and stress-free. Experience dental care that keeps you smiling with confidence.



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