



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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www.stjosephschool.ca

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Newsletter
January 31st, 2025



Living,
CELEBRATING
and Proclaiming
OUR FAITH

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Dear Families of St. Joseph's,

We are excited to announce that St. Joseph's School will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week this upcoming week! This special event takes place every year in Catholic schools throughout British Columbia, and we want to celebrate the incredible gift our school is to families of St. Joseph's and to the larger community.

Did you know we have 5 Catholic schools on the Island: St. Andrews, St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's here in Victoria, Queen of Angels in Duncan and St. John Paul II in Port Alberni. Did you know that St. Joseph's School has been open and educating primary and elementary students since 1965 - that makes us 60 years old!

It is important to remember and honor all the sacrifices, faith and love of so many priests, sisters, lay people and families that have contributed to building up St. Joseph's School over the last six decades. All of our schools were built with NO government support, only the generosity and faith of committed families and the church. We are grateful.



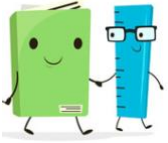
During this week, we will celebrate our vibrant learning community in different ways. For those you may know interested in sending their children to our school please come out to our open houses on Tuesday, February 4th from 11am to 12 pm and for our new K families from 5 pm to 6 pm.

Please keep us in your prayers and let's not take our school for granted but give thanks to God for all the good God is doing through all our hard working educators and supportive families here at St. Joseph's.

In Gratitude,

Glen Palahicky

Principal, St. Joseph's School



PRO-D DAY - NO SCHOOL
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 teresaevanglou@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

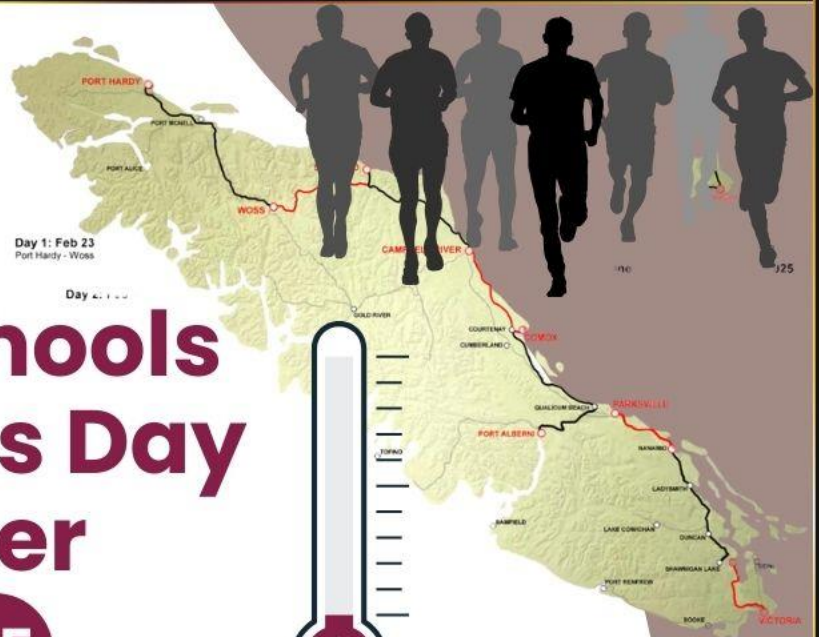
The deadline to drop applications at the High School is **Feb. 21st**.



WEEKLY SNAPSHOTS

Big buddies, little buddies! Grade 2H showed patience and kindness while they helped some Preschool friends on Lunar New Year arts and crafts this week.





Catholic Schools Week Civvies Day Fundraiser

Feb. 6th, 2025

At our last assembly, JZ and Kevin Whiteside, participants in this year's Wounded Warrior Run BC, spoke to us about the importance of their cause and shared info about their upcoming 800km run from one end of Vancouver Island to the other. We were so inspired by them that we will be holding a civvies day fundraiser to support their amazing efforts. Please wear civvies on Feb. 6th and bring in a toonie to donate!



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<https://woundedwarriorrunc.ca/>



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.





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

GRADE FIVE

Basketball

JAMBOREE

FEB
6th

Held at SMUS
Senior School

Girls

9:30-11:30 am

Boys

12:30-2:30 pm



St Joseph's Early Learning Centre
Pro D Day Care
Registration for Friday, February 7th
Deadline to register is Tuesday, February 4th.

During Pro D Days, St. Joseph's Child care offers a supervised program of activities operating from 7:30am – 5:00pm. Please pack two snacks, a full lunch and a refillable water bottle. Super Days are civies days and we will all meet in the multi-purpose room above the gym to start the day.

Program Details:

- We will spend lots of time outside, playing organized games, doing art activities and crafts, and watching a movie.

All students attending Pro- D Day care must be registered with St. Joseph's Before and/or After School Care programs

Cost: \$55 per child

Payment must be made at time of registration. E-transfers can be sent to sjv@cisdv.bc.ca
(Please include your child's name and what the transfer is for.)

Pro D Day on Friday, February 7th

Registration Date: _____

Name(s): _____

Grade(s): Child #1 _____

Child # 2 _____

Total Payment: \$ _____

WAIVER: "Accidents can be result of the nature of the activity and can occur with or without any fault on either the part of the student, or the school or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your son/daughter to participate in this activity, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that this activity, as described above, is suitable for your child."

Parent Signature: _____



Diverse population & Centrally located



Character & Faith Formation



Amazing extra-curricular offerings



High Academic Standards

ST. JOSEPH'S KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 4TH, 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

FEBRUARY 4TH

11-12 AM

757 BURNSIDE RD. W.

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ST. ANDREW'S REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Open House



Wednesday, February 5, 2025

INFORMATION FOR NEW FAMILIES BEGINS AT 6:00 PM.
ALL OTHER GUESTS WELCOME FROM 7:00 PM-8:30 PM.



St. Andrew's Regional High School, a grade 8-12 Catholic, accredited independent school, welcomes prospective students and their families.
Come discover a place to grow and belong!



ST. ANDREW'S
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2025 50/50

\$10 PER TICKET

**ONLY 2000 TICKETS
PRINTED**

contact
angelagrohovac@gmail.com



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



All are invited to join Catholic schools across Vancouver Island in celebrating Catholic Schools Week from February 2–8, 2025. This year's theme, "Living, Celebrating, and Proclaiming Our Faith," highlights the vibrant role of Catholic education in nurturing faith-filled communities. Find information about events by visiting your local Catholic school's website: <https://cisdv.bc.ca/schools/>



Join us from February 2–8 in marking National Catholic Health Care Week, celebrating the mission of Catholic health care in building a just and caring society where all are seen and heard. The 2025 theme, "Caring for our Common Home," highlights the interconnectedness of creation and calls us to reflect on how our actions and systems can support a thriving, healthy world. Discover resources from the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada: <https://www.chac.ca/en/national-catholic-health-care-week/>



The next application deadline for the local Indigenous Reconciliation Fund is coming up on February 15. Indigenous groups from Vancouver Island and the surrounding islands are invited to apply for funding for projects that foster good medicine for people harmed by the legacy of residential schools. For more information and the application package, please visit <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/irf> or call 250-800-3167.



This year's first Women of Faith and Fellowship Prayer Breakfasts is scheduled for February 8, featuring guest speaker Marilyn Grant from Madonna House. This in-person event is a wonderful opportunity to come together in community with women of faith for a morning of inspiration, connection, and delicious food. Advance registration is required and space is limited. For more information and to register, please email victoriawomensbreakfast@gmail.com.

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 SJTWYYouthGroup@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

Financial & Legal Services

- Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax

Food & Beverage

- Kung Pao Wok
- Maize Fusion Cuisine

Health & Wellness

- Chatterton Way Dental
- Eye Etiquette Optical Boutique

Photography Services

- Andrea Collins Photography

Real Estate Services

- Kamaretsos Real Estate Team

Technology Services

- Qmulus

Trades & Construction

- Lisnabreeny Plumbing Ltd.

CONTACT SJV-PSG@CISDV.BC.CA
WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT SUBSCRIPTIONS

PARENT COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY



Activity & Arts

Ponies and Paint

Kaitlyn Hendry

poniesandpaintnights@gmail.com

Ph: 250-588-4121

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!



Financial & Legal Services

Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax

Teya Jensen

info@homeroombookkeeping.com

Ph: 604-739-9536

www.homeroombookkeeping.com

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

kungpaowok_victoria@yahoo.ca

Ph: 778-433-8806

Chinese Food (Hillside Shopping Center)



Maize Fusion Cuisine

Cesar Ibarra

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Ph: 250-590-2555

www.maizefusion.com

Restaurant: Mexican Canadian Food



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Health & Wellness

Chatterton Way Dental

Dr. Matthew Foulkes

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Ph: 250-598-5441

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.



Eye Etiquette Optical Boutique

Carolin Roussel

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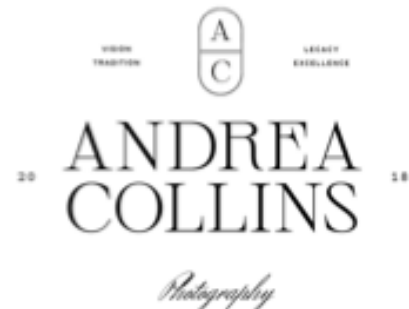
Andrea Walker Collins

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Real Estate Services

Kamaretsos Real Estate Team | Pemberton Holmes

Michelle & Lee Kamaretsos

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Ph: 250-686-7590

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Trades & Construction

Lisnabreeny Plumbing Ltd.

Sam Payne

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Plumbing repair/service, renovations, gas and cross connection device install/testing

