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Upcoming Dates

Catholic Education Sunday

November 05

Board Meeting

November 06

Remembrance Day

November 11

Board Meeting

November 27

The First Sunday of Advent

December 03

Organization Board Meeting Information

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School Liasons

CEC / Maintenance: Michael Ouellette

Holy Cross/St Patrick:

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St. Kateri: Michael Popek

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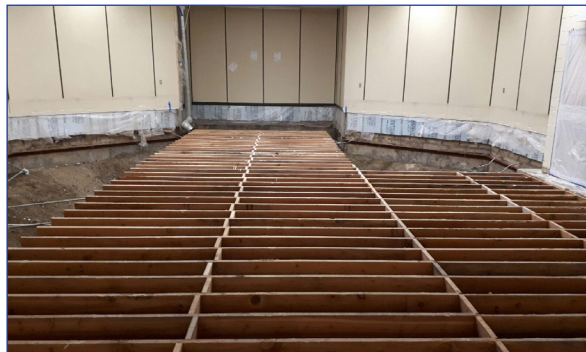
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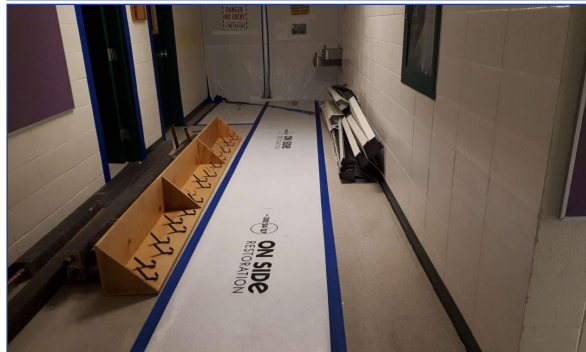
St. John Paul II Jr./Sr. Catholic High

School: Jennifer Adams-Hessel

St Patrick Remediation



Remediation is almost complete at St. Patrick. Temporary heat will be installed in the gym and three classrooms. We have hired an architect (BR2 from Edmonton) through a competitive process. They designed St. Mary's in Sexsmith for us. As you can see the work was significant and renders the facility unusable for a period of time unless major repairs are done.



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CIF Final Proposal

CIF is the Classroom Initiative Fund the province allocated for 2017-18 to teachers when they agreed to a 0% increase. It is one time money and expires when the current Collective Agreement expires in August 2018. The joint committee developed a proposal and the proposal was accepted by government after a second submission. There are a variety of initiatives that will positively impact the students in the classroom in various ways. Decisions were school based and coordinated by the school principal.

CKC Tunnel Repairs

The Community Knowledge Campus (CKC Campus) has an intricate tunnel network for heating/ cooling and plumbing. The tunnel is concrete and large enough in section to drive a small vehicle in. The previous Board set aside \$300,000 in a Reserve for CKC repairs. The funding can be used for this. Previously we repaired a chiller. Engineering costs alone are in excess of \$12,000 to develop a solution, but still not tender the project.

Alberta School Foundation Fund

The Board of Trustees of Grande Prairie Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 28 voted to opt out of the Alberta School Foundation Fund, Division 4 of Part 6 of the Revised School Act (2000).

2016-2017 Draft Annual Education Results Report & Three Year Plan Tabled

Every year GPCSD completes a "Combined" Report & 3 Year Plan. We report on the previous Year and we submit a Plan. The Plan must meet Government Initiatives, include pertinent information and include our own goals/ strategies. The Board's role is to oversee the Plan using Governance Reports (almost monthly), Audited Financial Information, and information derived from Strategic Planning Sessions. District Administration develops the Strategies and Targets in consultation with School Principals and Educational Leadership staff.

Financial Report

Acting Secretary-Treasurer Fontaine presented the September 2017 Financial Report to the Board of Trustees. The report showed that revenues and expenditures are on track.

Ste. Marie (Spirit River) and St. Mary's (Sexsmith) Travel Approval

Ste. Marie has now established dates for their trip. They will go to Montreal for an exchange from May 2-9, and the host school will come to Ste. Marie June 6-13. St. Mary's has sent out their initial request for their trip. The Board approved their trip.

Catholic Education Sunday

On Catholic Education Sunday, we give thanks to God for the beautiful ministry of the Church. This year Catholic Education Sunday will be taking place on November 5, 2017.

French Immersion

Ecole St. Gerard became the home of a platinum single-track K-9 program in the Peace Country. Serving almost 700 students the program provides many language, cultural, artistic and athletic opportunities for students. Late Immersion is in its second year, with plans to grow the program into a Grade 5-7 opportunity before students transfer to St. John Paul II.

Inclusive Education

Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools meets the needs of ALL students regardless of their ability, disability, language, cultural background, gender or age. This is accomplished through an Inclusive approach to Education in our schools.

Policy Review

The Board of Trustees reviewed the following Policies:

- *Policy 7 – Role of the Board Chair.* The Board of Trustees approved Policy 7 - Role of the Board Chair as presented.
- *Policy 8 – Role of the Vice Chair.* The Board of Trustees approved Policy 8 - as presented.
- *Policy 10 -- Committees of the Board.* The Board of Trustees approved Policy 10 - as presented.
- *Policy 11 -- Board Representatives.* The Board of Trustees approved Policy 11 - as presented.

Questions or concerns regarding Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools Board News?

Send them to communications@gpcsd.ca or call 780-532-3013.

Faith Leadership



Faith Leadership is focussed on assisting families in strengthening their children's faith and to instill in them values and morals necessary for a full and productive life. Our staff ensure that faith is permeated into all aspects of the classroom by using cross curricular projects with a faith focus, daily prayer, interactive prayer space, and monthly celebrations led by students.

