

# 2025 - 26 November School Newsletter

Hello St. Leo Families,

As we enter November, we take time to reflect with gratitude — for peace in our world, for our faith, and for our Catholic schools that nurture both learning and community. We also pause to honour our veterans, fallen heroes, and all those who continue to work to keep us free.

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will take place on November 7th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Leo. Families are warmly invited to join us for this special tribute.

Please note that there will be no school from November 10 & 12 for Fall Break, and no school on November 11 in observance of Remembrance Day.

We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our families for your patience and support during the recent labour disruption. Your understanding and partnership mean so much to our school community.

Looking ahead, we invite all families to attend our School Council Meeting on Wednesday, November 19, starting at 6:30 p.m. ending at 7:30 p.m. Supper will be provided — we hope you can join us for an evening of connection and collaboration.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher. Thank you for being such an important part of our St. Leo community!

Mr. Korassa  
Principal

Mrs. Cerra  
Assistant Principal

Mrs. Simpson  
Administrative Support



Fall Break  
November 10 - 12  
Classes Resume Nov. 13

# SAC News

## Parent Council Meeting

Looking ahead, we invite all families to attend our School Council Meeting on Wednesday, November 19, starting at 6:30 p.m. ending at 7:30 p.m. Supper will be provided — we hope you can join us for an evening of connection and collaboration.

If you can't attend in person, [you can join from home using this Teams link](#). We'll also be serving pizza, [so please complete this survey so we can order enough food](#).

## Christmas SAC Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser

Christmas is a magical time of year! As we celebrate the holiday season, we reflect on the joy of giving, hope, and the warmth of community. This special time reminds us of the power of kindness, love, and the values we cherish at St. Leo. To share in the festive spirit, our School Council is hosting a Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser, with proceeds supporting school initiatives.

We invite families to take part and make Christmas even sweeter while contributing to our students' success. [Click here if you would like to participate in this fundraiser!](#)

Orders will be accepted until November 26, and chocolates will be available for pickup at the school on December 12.



# St.Leo News

## St. Leo Gear/ Swag

We are thrilled to announce another exciting opportunity for our St. Leo team! Get ready to show off your St. Leo spirit with our latest collection of St. Leo Clothing! In partnership with Sport Factor, families and staff alike can now easily purchase our exclusive [St. Leo merchandise through this link](#). But hurry, because this offer is only available until November 30th at midnight.

Orders will be conveniently delivered to the school after Christmas!!!!

Don't miss out on this chance to join in the excitement and unite our community with St. Leo spirit! Get your orders in now and let's make a bold statement together!



## Division Theme for 2025 - 2026

People of Hope

Our guiding scripture comes from Romans 12:12:

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.”



# Home Reading Program

## School Wide Reading Initiative

Our Reading Program is back — and this year it's bigger and better than ever! Reading is one of the strongest indicators of future success, and we want to help every student build a lifelong love of books and reading.

Students can earn exciting rewards for their reading efforts, including amazing LEGO prizes for all age groups. Make sure to bring in those reading strip, the more students read the more chances they will have at getting a wonderful prize.

We're asking for your support at home — by setting aside time to read together, encouraging your child to explore new books, and celebrating their progress. With your help, we can make sure every student is doing their best both at school and at home.

Let's make reading a daily habit and see where it takes us — happy reading, everyone!



# Weather is Changing

## Cold Weather is Here

Please ensure that children are dressed appropriately for the weather. This includes gloves, hats, and appropriate footwear. Our ECSD policy states that children will stay indoors only when the weather is  $-20^{\circ}$  outside or greater including windchill.

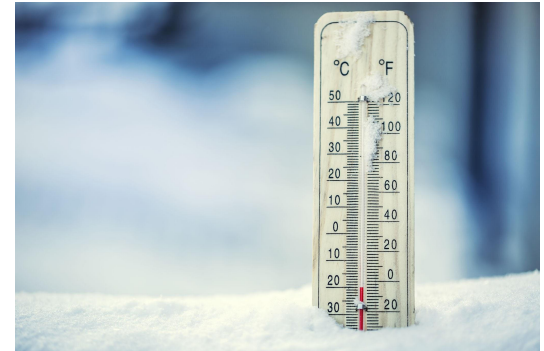
Please be advised that the following Radio and TV Stations will carry announcements with respect to transportation cancellations due to inclement weather conditions.

## RADIO STATIONS

630 CHED AM 930 The Light CJCA CBC CISN FM 103.9 SHINE 105.9 FM  
CHFA (CBC Fr.) FRESH FM 92.5 TSN 1260 CFCW 840 INEWS 880 AM 95.7  
CRUZ FM CAPITAL FM 96.3 Kiss FM 91.7 The Bear 100.3 FM K97 97.3UP!  
99.3 FM SONIC 102.9 FM 102.3 NOW! Radio HOT 107 FM 104.9 VIRGIN Radio FM

## TV STATIONS

CITYTV CTV Edmonton GLOBAL Edmonton CBC TV



# Christmas Concert Update

As you know, this school year has brought some unexpected disruptions that have affected our regular routines and planning. Due to the loss of instructional time, the preparation required, and our need to refocus on core learning, we have made the decision to cancel this year's Christmas concert.

While we understand this may be disappointing, we're excited to share that we will be hosting a Spring Concert in the new year instead! This will give our students the time they need to prepare, perform, and truly shine. We look forward to celebrating the season of renewal and hope together as a school community.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your continued support, patience, and kind words during this time. Your encouragement means so much to our staff and students and helps us navigate these challenges with strength and unity.

We will share more details about the Spring Concert as the date approaches. In the meantime, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.



# St.Leo News

## SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

### St. Leo Picture Day

The great news continues on November 21, 2025 with picture day! This is a reminder for staff and **students not to wear green** as the photographers may use a green screen as a background. We can't wait to see all the smiling faces!



### **Social Media**

We love sharing all the exciting learning and activities happening at St. Leo! Follow our Instagram page to see what our students are up to, from classroom projects to school events and celebrations.

If you haven't joined us yet, now's the perfect time — we'll even be running fun contests with prizes for our followers!

Find us at [#stleo\\_ecsd](https://www.instagram.com/stleo_ecsd) or scan the QR code to follow.

Thank you for supporting our amazing school community!



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# The Next Couple Months

## November

November 7 - Remembrance Day Celebration - 1PM hosted at St. Leo

November 10 - 12 - Remembrance Day & Fall Break - No School

November 13 - St. Leo Feast Day/ Grade 6 Immunizations

November 19 - SAC Meeting starting at 6:30 PM in the library - supper provided - [Fill in Form](#)

November 20 - **No School/ PD day for Staff - Postponed to April 16**

November 21 - Picture Day

November 24 - 28 - Book Fair

November 27 - Demonstration of Learning 1 - 4 p.m. & 5 - 7:00 p.m.

November 28 - St. Leo Spirit Day

## December

December - Start of Advent

December 8 - 14 - Hour of Code

December 15 - Wear a festive hat day

December 16 - Dress as your best Snowman & Christmas Sleigh Day (pending weather)

December 17 - Dress in Red and Green Day

December 18 - PJ/ Comfy Dress Day / Pancake breakfast/ Full Day of School

December 19 - Half Day of School

December 22 - January 2 Christmas Break

November 27 & March 19 - Demonstration of Learning

January 29 & April 16 Professional Development Day – no school for students

[School Calendar for all upcoming dates can be found here](#)