



## Parent Information for the week of September 8

It was a pleasure to welcome more than 300 students to the 2025–2026 school year! This new year marks the beginning of yet another exciting journey in education for our students—one that would not be possible without your continued support.

At Holy Child, we believe that communication is the bridge to creating a strong partnership between home and school. This year, we will be sending a weekly newsletter by SchoolMessenger.

The Parent Information Update will be sent every Sunday afternoon, providing you with important information and updates for the upcoming week. Additionally, teachers will continue to update their Google Classrooms and/or share detailed classroom news through email as needed.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. We look forward to a joyful, productive, and successful year ahead.

Rachelle Irvine  
**Principal**

Teresa Campanaro  
**Assistant Principal**

## General Information

### Closed Campus

At Holy Child, the safety and well-being of our students is our highest priority. Please note that we are a closed campus. For security, all exterior doors remain locked throughout the day, and all visitors must enter using the main entrances (Door 5 or Door 8) and **sign in at the office upon arrival**.

We also kindly ask for your support in recognizing that our teachers are fully dedicated to their students and teaching during the instructional day, from 8:18 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. If you wish to connect with your child's teacher, please arrange a meeting by email so that a dedicated time can be set aside.

We truly value the support of our parent community, and volunteers are always welcome for school events, field trips, and classroom activities. Volunteer opportunities will be arranged by the school and individual teachers as needed, ensuring that all opportunities are well-organized and meaningful.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us maintain a safe, welcoming, and focused learning environment for all students.

### School Fees

School Fees will be posted on September 15 on your PowerSchool account. The annual school fees are \$30.00 for Kindergarten students and \$50.00 for students in Grades 1 to 6.

You may have additional fees to pay for additional grade specific learning resources such as bus passes, field trip etc.

School fees are due November 30, 2025.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

If you need help accessing your PowerSchool account, please call the school office.

## Busing and Transportation Inquiries and Matters

Please direct any questions and concerns regarding bussing and transportation (stops, routes, delays) to ECSD Transportation Services. They can be reached by phone: 780-441-6078 or by email: [transportationservices@ecsd.net](mailto:transportationservices@ecsd.net).

We also ask all families to download the **Bus Planner app** to keep updated on any bus delays. Families that previously downloaded may need to reset the settings.



1. 'Choose the board, transportation authority' – select Edmonton Catholic Schools
2. 'Choose which schools apply to you' – select Holy Child
3. 'Add the runs for which you would like notifications' – select the route that applies

### Updating the Office about Changes to After School Transportation Plans

To help us ensure the safety of all students, it is very important that families please inform the school of any changes to their child's after-school transportation plans, particularly if they **will not** be taking the bus on a given day. Keeping an updated list of bus riders allows us to account for every student and ensure they get home safely.

## Allergies

We have several students across all grade levels with severe peanut allergies. To ensure their safety, peanuts and peanut products, including peanut butter, are strictly prohibited at Holy Child School. Students are also reminded **not** to share lunches or snacks with others

If you plan to bring a treat for the class, please make sure it is completely nut-free. Thank you for helping us maintain a safe environment for all our students.

## Meet the Teacher Evening at École/ Escuela Holy Child

We are excited to invite all families to our Meet the Teacher Night on Tuesday, September 17 at 5:00 pm. This evening is a wonderful opportunity to visit the school, connect with your child's teacher, and learn more about the year ahead.

- 5:00 pm – Welcome and introductions in the gym
- 5:20 pm & 5:45 pm – Classroom presentations (*the second session is a repeat to accommodate families with more than one child*)
- After presentations – Join us outside for a meet-and-greet hosted by the Holy Child Parent Council

We look forward to seeing you there and building strong partnerships together in support of our students.

## This week at Holy Child School

Regular Kindergarten programming and bussing begins		Opening Mass 1:15pm Grades 1-6 St. Joseph Basilica <b>*be sure to return signed field trip form</b>	Early Dismissal 11:43 am	
8	9	10	11	12

## School Information

### Start and End Times

**Kindergarten Hours** (Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays): **8:18 am – 11:29 am**

#### Grades 1-6

##### Start Times:

8:18 am

##### Dismissal Times:

3:15 pm - Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

11:43 am – Thursdays

### Supervision Times

#### Before School:

Supervision will **begin at 8:05 am** each morning.

Elementary students will remain outside (except for days with inclement weather) until the bell.

We will have a supervisor for bus drop off, the back (west) tarmac/field as well as in the front of the school on 110 Street between 98 and 99 Avenue.

#### After school:

Supervision times after school are from dismissal at 3:15 pm until 3:30 pm.

(11:43 am until 11:58 am on Thursdays)

We will have a supervisor for buses as well as one for the back (west) field.

## Parking Reminders

The designated drop-off zone for our school is located along 111 Street.

To ensure the safety of all students, we kindly ask that parents do not use the staff parking lot for drop-off or pick-up at any time—including when students are arriving late.

If your child is late, please use the main entrance on 110 Street for drop-off.


Additionally, 99 Avenue is reserved for school buses only and should not be used for student drop-off or pick-up



## Mark Your Calendar

September 17 – Welcome Event / Meet the Teacher Night 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
September 23 - Elementary Cross-Country Run  
September 25 - Terry Fox Run  
September 29 – Orange Shirt Day  
September 30 – Truth and Reconciliation Day – NO SCHOOL  
October 6-10 - Read In Week  
October 6 – Picture Day  
October 6 – Parent Council Meeting at 6:30 PM  
October 10 – Thanksgiving Celebration at St. Joseph's Basilica @ 1:15 PM  
October 13 – Thanksgiving Monday – no school  
October 17 – Grade 4 Bible Celebration at 2:30 PM  
October 31 – Halloween  
October 31 - Proposed Hot Lunch Date for grades 1-6  
November 10-12 - Fall Break – NO SCHOOL  
November 19 and 20 – Scholastic Book Fair  
November 20 – Demonstration of Learning  
November 21 – PD Day – NO SCHOOL

## Grade 6A Pre-Loved Book Sale Donations



HOLY CHILD  
**GR 6A**

**PRE-LOVED**

**BOOK SALE**

**09/10  
OCT  
2025**

GRADE 6A IS HOSTING A USED BOOK SALE DURING READ IN WEEK. PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE GRADE 6A FIELD TRIPS

**DONATIONS NEEDED**

STUDENTS NEED YOUR HELP TO COLLECT USED BOOKS, ESPECIALLY YOUNGER LITERATURE FOR AGES 4-8. IF YOU HAVE BOOKS TO DONATE FOR THIS GREAT EVENT, PLEASE SEND THEM TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.



Our annual Apple Fundraiser is now underway!

To place your order:

- Log into PowerSchool
- Select 'School Fees'
- Select 'View School Fees'
- Scroll down
- Click on Apple Fundraiser 2025-2026 icon
- Make your selection and add to you cart
- Submit payment

 Order Deadline: October 2

 Pick-Up Date: October 18



**SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!**

*Apple Fundraiser*

**HANDPICKED FRESH BC APPLES**

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15lbs Boxes (approx. 40 apples)  
*Gala | Ambrosia | Okanagan Blend |  
Honey Crisp*

**ORDER ON POWERSCHOOL**

**Now until October 2<sup>nd</sup> | Pick up October 16**

**All proceeds go directly towards classroom  
resources, supplies, fieldtrips and more!**



**DAVISON  
ORCHARDS**  
COUNTRY VILLAGE  
Vernon B.C.

**APPLE FUNDRAISER ON NOW!**

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## Division Information

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