## **SES October Newsletter 2018**

Welcome to the season of SNOW?!? The weather has certainly played a trick on us this year and the Fall we were hoping for never arrived... On that note, please ensure that your children are coming to school everyday with their winter gear as we will be heading outside everyday for recess breaks.

Thank you to those parents who attended our first 'Footprints of Faith' celebration where we honoured and recognized students for the joyful spirit that they have shown. For the month of October we will be recognizing students for the gift of gratitude and having a gracious spirit. Our celebration will be held on Monday October 29.

We have also begun a new initiative for students in Grades 1-5 called STEPS (which stands for SES Students and Staff, Thinking and Trying, Explaining and Exploring, Practicing and Playing, Sharing and Succeeding) which will happen every Thursday afternoon for one hour. Students will have opportunities to participate in authentic learning activities that will challenge their growth mindset, build on their creativity, innovation and collaboration skills and hopefully provide them an opportunity to experiment with activities that they aren't as familiar with. There will more information coming home this week about our STEPS program which begins on October 4.

We have again partnered with the Alberta Motor Association and our Grade 5 Safety Patroller program began today. We have 22 trained student patrollers. They have begun patrolling two crosswalks, on the northwest side of Anders Avenue and across Addinell Avenue. We thank you in advance for being mindful of their safety, watching your speed and using the crosswalks so they can practice their skills. We also thank you for not parking in the staff parking lot or the handicapped access stalls when you drop off or pick up. We know that this might be tempting but we sincerely appreciate your support in adhering to our expectations.

There are many exciting events planned for October that we invite you to be a part of. We are hosting the Jo(e) Social Media team this evening at 6pm for a parent information session. We will have our Thanksgiving celebration on Thursday October 4 at 9am. We would love if you were able to join us for First Thursday coffee and stay for the celebration. We are also halfway through our annual Read-a-Thon, which is our only school fundraiser. We sincerely appreciate your support with this project! Our School Council is also sponsoring a Halloween Dance on Tuesday, October 30 at 6:00pm. We look forward to you coming in costume and dancing the night away!

Yours in Christ,

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HL - Opa Joe Social Media 6pm	2 School Photos	3 School Photos	4 1st Thursday Coffee 8:30 Thanksgiving Celebration 9am	5 PD No School	6
7	8 Thanksgiving No School	9 Read-A-Thon End School Council Mtg 7pm	10	11	12	13
14	15 HL - Burger Boy	16 Gr. 5 Rosary Celebration	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Health Champions attend HASS	25	26	27
28	29 Footprints of Faith Celebration 1:30pm	30 Halloween Dance 6pm	31 Halloween Wear Costumes	Nov 1 All Saints Celebration 1pm	2	3
4	5 P/T Interviews & Book Fair	6 Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:45 Red Shirt Day P/T Interviews & Book Fair	7 Day in Lieu No School	8 No School	9 No School	10

