



LE MESSENGER

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Principal's Message

Dear families,

What a busy month we just had! «Les Rendez-vous de la francophonie» were a wonderful success with the incredible performances, the multitude of activities and of course the delicious poutine! It is great to be able to celebrate together our wonderful French culture and language! We also took great pleasure in meeting with you for the teacher, parent, and student meetings. Thank you for taking such an active role in your child's success!

Slowly, the snow is melting, water puddles are forming and soon we will be trekking through all the wonderful mud! We hope to soon hear the birds singing, see leaves budding and watch nature slowly waken after it's long winter slumber. We are all anxiously awaiting for this rejuvenating spring season. A reminder that snow pants or rain pants and winter or rain boots are still necessary. The school yard is flooded with water and mud at this time of year. Please ensure that your child comes to school with all the appropriate outerwear in order to have a continued fun filled recess.

Here we go towards the last trimester of the year! Even though we are envisioning nice warm weather, we can't forget to concentrate and put our best efforts forward towards the remaining of the school year. Students are encouraged to continue putting into practice the new learned strategies in order to have a successful final trimester. Teachers will continue to offer quality lessons and continued support for your child's education. Your continued encouragement and support are invaluable to your child's progress. We can go far alone, but we can go further together!

In April, we celebrate Easter, one of the biggest Christian events. Easter is a time to rejoice, since we commemorate Jesus's resurrection. We celebrate life, liberation and hope. For these reasons, we invite you to come celebrate Easter with us, the 25th of April at 11:30. We hope to see you then.

We wish you a wonderful spring break and a Happy Easter. Wishing you a restful break and much time spent with friends and family. As you celebrate the arrival of spring or Christ's resurrection, we would like to wish you unforgettable moments with lots of wonderful Easter treats.

Marielle Perich

Principal

Prayer for Easter

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope.

Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal.

Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it,

the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it,

and the strength to complete it. Amen



Dates to Remember

Spring Break

March 25th to March 29th

Students are back to school on April 1st.

Technology and Children - Information Session for Parents

We invite you all to an information session for parents on *Technology and Children* on the evening of April 4th from 7 :00 to 9 :00 pm at École Alexandre Tâché in St.Albert.

This school board initiative invites you to the viewing of the documentary, *Screenagers*. The effects of the use of technology are numerous! Screentime, physical and mental wellbeing, playing video games, safety and self-esteem are but to name a few of the topics that will be adressed throughout the evening. Dr. Delaney Ruston developed this documentary in order to engage parents and students into conversations on todays challenges of the use of technology. This documentary will be in English with subtitles in French. In order to get a sneak preview of the documentary, please click on the following link:

<https://www.screenagersmovie.com/>

The evening will be two fold :

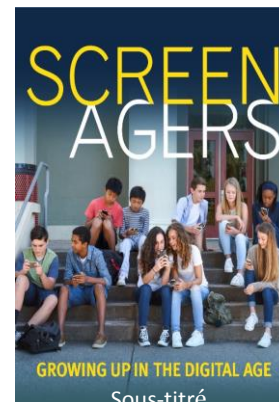
- Viewing of the film Screenagers: 67 min
- Discussion period with a panel of experts: a psychologist, lawyer, RCMP officer, doctor, technology specialist and a school board Projet Espoir consultant. You will get a chance to ask all your questions to this panel of experts.

Don't miss it!

Date : Thursday, April 4th 2019

Time : 7 :00 – 9 :00 pm

Location : École Alexandre-Taché
30 Erin Ridge Drive, St.Albert



All parents from École La Mission, École Citadelle and École Alexandre-Tâché are invited!

No registration is required, but if you do plan to attend, we do ask you to send an e-mail to the following address: lm@centrenord.ab.ca Thank you!

Exam Schedule : Grades 4, 5 and 6

Grade 4 School Board Exam Schedule	
22 May	English (composition : part A)
27 May	French (composition : part A)
11 June	French (comprehension : part B)
13 June	English (compréhension : part B)
14 June	Mathématiques (part A)
18 June	Sciences
19 June	Social Studies
20 June	Mathématiques (problem solving : part B)
Grade 5 School Board Exam Schedule	
24 May	English (composition : part A)
29 May	French (composition : part A)
11 June	English (comprehension part B)
13 June	French (comprehension : part B)
14 June	Mathématiques (part A)
18 June	Sciences
19 June	Social Studies
20 June	Mathématiques (problem solving : part B)
Grade 6 Provincial Achievement Test (PAT) Schedule	
7 May	French (composition : part A)
9 May	English (composition : part A)
10 June	French (comprehension : part B)
12 June	Social Studies
14 June	Mathématiques (problem solving: part B)
17 June	Mathématiques (part A)
18 June	Sciences
20 June	English (comprehension : part B)

Easter Celebration

The Easter celebration will be on April 25th at 11:30 am. Mme Véronique and her students will be leading the celebration. You are all welcome.

School News and activities

Thank you!

Thank you to all parents who gave priority to come celebrate the success of their child during the student-parent-teacher interviews. Your presence demonstrates the value and importance you place on your child's education.

Thank you to the parents who call to report their child's absence. This makes our job much easier. In addition, thank you to the parents who make sure their children arrive at school on time to get a good start.

Thank you to all the parents who promote our school and believe in its vision and mission.

Preparing for the 2019-2020 School Year



Renewal forms for the next school year will be sent home after the spring break. We ask that you update the information directly on the forms and ask that you return these forms by April 12th.

Please note that if you want to change the choice of your child's religious course for next year, we ask that you contact the office.

Thank you in advance for your support in returning the forms as soon as possible. This process will allow us to implement our teaching and support staff and ensure that everything is in place for September.

Tabs for Wheels

Please send your tabs from pop or juice cans to school. We are collecting these tabs in order to help the Knights of Columbus purchase wheel chairs or mopeds for people in need. Thank you to the Mackell for this wonderful initiative!

Jump for the cause

This year we are hoping to raise 4,000\$ for the Heart & Stroke foundation. The kickoff will be on April 9th at 1:30 pm. Please help us reach our goal in any way you can! If students meet this goal, staff will dress in their favorite Super Hero customs on the last day of April!

Sports Academy Program

The hockey season ended at the beginning of March. We want to thank Mr. David Pelletier for his hard work with our students. Students enjoyed bowling and curling for the remainder of the month. The students will enjoy lacrosse, baseball and golf sessions for the last trimester.

Information night about the Sports Academy Program will be on May 9th for all families to the program.

Social Justice Project

This year, during Lent, our school club "Enfants Entraide» will collect food for the St. Albert Food Bank. Each family will be asked to donate non-perishable food items. A paper bag will be sent home with your child. We ask that you please donate to help families in need. Please send donations to the school by April 30th. Students will then bring and volunteer their time working at the food bank. See the following schedule:

April 9th: Students from the grade 5 health class

April 16th: Students from the grade 6 health class

April 30th: Students from the grade 4 health class and the Enfants Entraide Club

Running Room Games

Congratulations to the students who participated in the finals of the Running Room Indoor Games held on Saturday, March 16th, 2019. We are proud of the entire team for their hard work and performance. You have shown enthusiasm and perseverance. Thank you to the parents who attended on Saturday despite their busy schedule. BRAVO!

School Council and Parent Society

Our next meeting will be on April 2nd at 6:00 pm.

If you wish to discuss a particular topic at the next Parent Advisory Council meeting, please communicate ahead of time with the president, Mrs. Melanie Dallaire, at melaniedallaire@hotmail.ca or Karine Peeling at karinepeeling1@gmail.com

All the minutes of the Parent Advisory Council meetings are posted on the school website at the following address: www.lm.centrenord.ab.ca.

Fundraising

Boston Pizza and COBS

Continue to bring us your Boston Pizza receipts. Boston Pizza will give 5% cash back on the pre-tax total of submitted receipts.

When you shop at COBS located at 212 2 Hebert Rd, St. Albert continue to mention to the cashier that you are from École La Mission and COBS will donate 5% cash back to the school.

Healthy School

Preparing and choosing foods for better health could sometime be a challenge in our busy life. For ideas please visit: www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/foodguide-aliment/index-fra.php

Key Information to Remember

Absences

For security reasons, your child's absence must be reported. The parent must justify the absence of his child; -by communicating with the office at 780-459-9568 (leave a message);

-by email chenry@centrenord.ab.ca;

- a message to the teacher in your child's agenda. Please inform your bus company when your child does not take the bus.

Offered Services at school

Daycare and Before and After School Care

...For more information about the French Daycare and the Before and After school care (for children 12 to 36 months old), please contact le CEPP at 780-458- 8324.

Preschool

...If you wish to register your 3 or 4 year old child in "La Boîte à Surprises" or if you require more information about our preschool program, please contact:

Adam Lagacé (president) presidence@laboiteasurprises.org

Johanne Wirsta (registrar) registrariat@laboiteasurprises.org

Informations Transport



Notify us now for the bus in September!

In order to ensure that your child is picked up and dropped off where he or she should be every day in September, please indicate any necessary changes on the « Transport scolaire—septembre 2019» document that you will receive from the school with the registration renewal forms.

The following are the changes that you must notify us about for September:

- you plan on moving; OR
- you will be using, or changing daycare or sitter; OR
- you do not intend to use the transportation service; OR
- the contact information presently used for your family will change (phone numbers for home, cell phone, work or emergency contacts).



Please return the form to school with the necessary changes indicated on it **before June 28th**. The Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord board office (#322, 8627, 91 St. N.W., Edmonton, Alberta, T6C 3N1) is open all summer. If you need to make a change during the summer, please send the form to the transportation service by email to transport@centrenord.ab.ca and re-request a confirmation of receipt of your email.

***Special note:* All requests for changes submitted after June 28th will be assigned to an existing stop for the beginning of the school year, as no new stops will be added until the end of September 2019.**

Thank you for your cooperation!
Transportation Service
780 468-6440 or 1 800 248-6886