

Alexandra Ollington's funeral was very beautiful and tremendously sad, as she was surrounded by family and friends. She graduated this past June from Archbishop Jordan and had just started her first year at the University of Alberta. Alex was known by those closest to her as caring, loving and passionate. She was known by her friends as the mother of the group because she would always look out for others. She loved the fine arts and spent much of her time with drama and technical theatre as a student at ABJ. Alex loved to travel and had been on big trips over the years and had been planning many more. She loved to travel with her mom and they spent time travelling around Alberta this summer. Alex will be greatly missed; she was a bright light to her friends and

family. Our ABJ staff would like to extend our

condolences to Alex's friends and family, and we will continue to pray for everyone experiencing grief at this time. We can keep Alex's spirit alive in our hearts by doing our best to be loving and caring to others, even in moments when we feel hurt or upset. Alex modelled how to care for others and we can continue to do so in her memory.

We would also like to pass on our condolences and prayers for the friends and family of Keithan Peters, who was attending Salisbury High School and he was very connected to the students in our school community.

It is important during this time of grief that we allow ourselves to express our emotions. Although we know that Alex and Keithan are in peace with Christ in heaven, we also feel the sadness knowing how short their time here with us has been. Please know that student services staff are available to connect with and support those who are in need.



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Scot Week at a Glance - Sept 28 - October 2

Important Dates

- October 7 Early Dismissal
- October 9 PD Day

Student Parent/Guardian Information

- Parent/Student Post-Secondary Q&A @ 6:30pm on Tuesday September 29th. This session has great information for students across all grades! Last week we posted a complete and comprehensive presentation on the Grade Level Google Classrooms for you to watch that walks you through the Post-Secondary application process we discussed everything from where to apply, how, timelines, how institutions admit, strategic course planning, some scholarship info, all things post-secondary! It can be viewed here:
 https://youtu.be/0_p1bilXntk This live Q&A session Tuesday evening is meant to be a complement to the presentation above to provide a follow up where we can clear up anything that you might want more information on from the presentation, or to answer any post-secondary questions related to you personally. We are here to help you best plan and prepare for their applications in advance!
 - Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/xck-pdrp-vhz
- Follow ABJ TV on Youtube here https://www.youtube.com/c/ABJTVhighschool/videos
- Important information regarding student illness can be found here
 - Other AB ED documents regarding school may be found here:
 - https://www.alberta.ca/k-to-12-school-re-entry-2020-21-school-year.aspx
- Students, please ensure you request your Student Parking Tag so you do not get ticketed by the bylaw officers. Now that school has been in for 3 weeks, they will begin looking for tags. It must be displayed in your vehicle to park in student parking. Simply go to our ABJ website and fill in the Google Form link, found on the front page. Then pick up your tag in the office. \$2 will be added to your school fee account.
- Effective September 28th, we will be charging students \$1.00 for replacement disposable masks. Every day, we are giving out boxes of them to students who forget their masks. Hopefully, this deterrent will help them to remember to bring their mask. Thank you for reminding your child to bring their mask to school and to wear it.

- School fees are due 30 days after assessment. Please login to your parent PowerSchool portal to pay online. If needed, you can set up monthly payments in the same fees areas. Call the school office if you require any help.
- EICS school fees information and Fee Waiver form can be found here.

Parent Resources through Strathcona County - all free and available online.

Stressed about finances, parenting, relationships or not sure where to start? Family and Community Services is here for you. Call 780-464-4044

- Mondays & Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Parenting Through Uncertainty

• COVID-19 presents a challenge to families around the world that is unlike anything we have ever experienced.

While the pandemic has changed many things about our daily lives, it has not stopped children from learning,

growing, and developing.

Join us in a weekly, online discussion as we explore some of the common themes parents and caregivers have

been encountering while parenting through these uncertain times. Every other week the group will determine the discussion topic most relevant to them.

Topics for discussion include:

Supporting back to school transitions September 16

Ideas to promote children's motivation September 30

Managing screen time and technology overload October 14

Ideas for family connection October 28

Open mic and parent discussion! September 23, October 7, 21

• Takes place from 7 to 7:45 p.m. online. Register at Strathcona.ca/parentsupport

Sign up for "Grade Level" Google Classroom!!

Hello Parent/Guardians,

Important information throughout the year will be going out to students via their "Grade Level" Google Classroom.

Students are encouraged to make sure they are signed up for their grade level Google Classroom. Parents may also have their email associated with their child's Google Classroom (for all of their Google Classrooms!!). If you are not currently connected to your child's Google Classroom and would like to be, please email our school secretary, Mrs. McCullough, at joulienm@eics.ab.ca.

Please note that she can only associate your parent email to a students account if the student has added themselves to our grade level Google Classroom.

Thanks,

ABJ Admin

Google Classroom Codes:

grade 9s - 43xbmng at https://classroom.google.com

grade 10s - 5bj2jck at https://classroom.google.com

grade 11s - zz6uegi at https://classroom.google.com

grade 12s - oeojhv5 at https://classroom.google.com