

# Welcome to 2025 - 26 School Year - October Newsletter

Hello St. Leo Families,

October is a season of gratitude, and we're truly thankful to be part of such a vibrant and caring school community. Every day at St. Leo is a gift—thanks to our amazing students, supportive families, and dedicated staff who make this school feel like home.

We officially launched the 2025–2026 school year on September 17th with our annual Family BBQ and Meet the Staff evening. The turnout was incredible! It was wonderful to see so many families connecting and sharing in the excitement of a new school year. If you missed it, don't worry—there are plenty more opportunities to get involved. For a full list of upcoming events, please visit our school website.

This year, many of our celebrations will be held at Our Lady of Fatima Parish. In October, we'll gather to celebrate Thanksgiving, on Friday, October 10th at 1 PM, and families are warmly invited to join us for this special occasion.

As always, if you have any questions or need support, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or the office. We're here for you!

Mr. Korassa, Mrs. Cerra, & Mrs. Simpson



# EVERY CHILD MATTERS



**ORANGE  
SHIRT DAY**

September 29

**NATIONAL DAY FOR  
TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

September 30 (No Classes)



# Upcoming Events

## **Parent Council Meeting**

I would like to thank all the families who attended our annual AGM on September 17th. I would like to especially thank those wonderful individuals who volunteered to serve as executive members. Please mark your calendar and join us for the next meeting on November 19th at 6:30 PM. It's crucial for families to attend SAC meetings, where we discuss school events, make important decisions about your child's education, and request funding for various activities. Without parent participation, we can't secure the support needed to provide these opportunities for our students. If you are not able to attend in-person you [can use this Teams link](#) to attend the meeting virtually from home. There will be a pizza supper provided so [please fill in this survey](#) so that we can order enough food and allow access to the Teams link.

## **St. Leo Gear/ Swag**

We are thrilled to announce another exciting opportunity for our St. Leo families! 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 October 26th at midnight.

With a range of stylish options to choose from, there's something for everyone to showcase their St. Leo spirit! Plus, orders will be conveniently delivered to the school by the end of November.

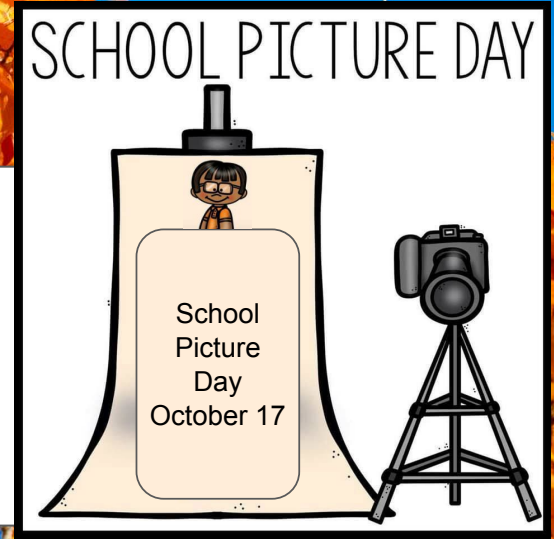
Don't miss out on this chance to join in the excitement and unite our community with St. Leo spirit! Get your orders in now and let's make a bold statement together!



# Upcoming Events

## St. Leo Picture Day

The great news continues on Oct 17, 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!



## Read in Week

This year Read in Week will take place from October 6 - 10. Thank you to all the guest readers that we have coming to read to our students. If you'd like to come and read to your child's class, please email your child's teacher so that they may schedule you in! Thank you in advance.

# Success Stories

## Chief Superintendent's Message

Each Month the Superintendent of Edmonton Catholic Schools Share a message for all ECSD families and staff. You can access our superintendent's message by [clicking on this link](#).

## Running Club

Shoutout to our amazing St. Leo Running Club! On Tuesday, September 23rd, our runners hit the trails at Rundle Park for the Edmonton Catholic Schools Cross Country Run—and they crushed it! With perfect weather and unstoppable spirit, they proudly represented St. Leo with heart, hustle, and teamwork. Way to go, team!



## Volunteering at St. Leo

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make our school events even more special! Whether it's flipping pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, grilling at BBQ days, assembling student lunches, or lending a hand at seasonal celebrations and classroom activities, your support makes a big difference. Volunteering is a great way to connect with our school community and create lasting memories. If you're interested, please [fill in this form](#) or scan this QR code—we'd love to have you join us!







# *Christmas Concert*

ST. LEO FAMILIES

You are warmly invited to celebrate our Christmas Concert  
December 17th starting at 7:00 PM

Arrive at 6:45PM

St. Alphonsus Parish

A heartfelt thank you to Mrs. Priolo and our amazing students  
for their hard work and dedication!

# The Next Few Months Dates to Note

## October

School Wide reading program starts - Did Somebody Say Lego Prizes!

October 2 - World Custodian Day

October 5 - World Teacher Day

October 6 - 10 - Read in Week

October 10 - Thanksgiving Celebration at Our Lady of Fatima Parish (weather permitting) 1 PM.

October 13 - Thanksgiving (No School)

October 17 - School Photos

October 24 - Hero Day: Dress up like someone you admire

October 31 - Halloween

## November

November 7 - Remembrance Day Celebration

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

November 21 - Dress as a teacher/dress as a student day

November 24 - 28 - Book Fair

November 27 - Demonstration of Learning 1 - 4 p.m. & 5 - 7:30 p.m.

November 28 - St. Leo Spirit Day

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

November 27 & March 19 - Demonstration of Learning

November 20 & January 29 - Professional Development Day – no school for students

