



# St. Luke School

REGINA ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 81

Mr. Lee Garinger  
Principal

August 9, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

## **RE: Welcome back to St. Luke 2021-22 Elementary Students**

Greetings and Salutations families! It is my hope you are enjoying summer break and beginning to ponder a return to school. We are strategically laying out our approach to the 2021-22 school year which will focus on Well-Being and Learning, Social Intelligence, Equality Investments, and Systemness as our drivers for student success at St. Luke Alternative School in 2021-22. Our efforts will be tied to these strands as we move into planning for the school year when we return from summer break. St. Luke Alternative School is a special place we are lucky to have and by placing emphasis on these areas, we will utilize the latest in education research to ensure the whole child is being developed in order to reach their potential. This also happens by working as a team together with your child's support network, or developing one, so their well-being is enhanced to put them in the best place so they can optimize their learning potential. Magic does truly happen at St. Luke when we work together and we are excited about some of the opportunities coming has as our Trauma-Informed Sensory Room and Well-Being Enhancement Group (parent volunteer group to join) to mention two. This will be an exciting year at St. Luke and we are optimistic about the opportunities ahead.

We are fortunate to have a great staff working with our students and they are listed below:

Grades K-3	Grade 4-5	Grade 5-6	Grade 7-8
Mrs. Galloway	Mrs. Dureault	Ms. Turmel	Mr. Marion
Ms. Duncan	Ms. Wilson-Raiwet	Ms. Flottorp	Mrs. Genoway
Ms. Gebbert	Ms. Dupuis	Ms. Nagy	Ms. Chobot

Returning in supporting roles is Miss Rogers in the office, Mrs. Fiske as School Support Specialist, and new to the team this year is Prep Teacher, Mr. Kristoff.

Our school day will remain the same starting at 9:25 a.m. and ending at 2:45 p.m. Transportation will also remain consistent with First Bus picking up the majority of our students at designed times facilitated by our Transportation Officer, Ms. Elena Chase. As I remind students throughout the year, the vans are an extension of being in-school and appropriate behaviour is the minimum expectation on those rides. Great manners, kind discussion, and calm voices & attitude is the feedback we love to hear from our drivers. Should you not require transportation that day, please contact the

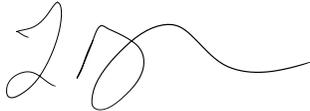
Transportation officials at 306-791-7214 by 7:30 a.m. to advise them your child will not need a ride that morning (and afternoon if applicable).

All other regular positive school attitudes and behaviours will be expected and can be found in more detail by clicking this link [here](#). Please note, cell phones are not permitted onsite for our elementary students unless special circumstances are agreed to prior to.

Opening the school year you may have learned that our system, the Regina Catholic School Division, elected to retain a staggered start as a proactive measure to the start of the school year. Since we are in a unique situation at St. Luke with low student to teacher ratios, we are asking all elementary students to return on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> for a full day. We are then planning to use the Friday to meet onsite, or virtually, with parents as a proactive measure to meet your teacher. This one day plus the meeting will provide the opportunity for the students to attend one day as designed plus discuss how the summer went, and start building a positive relationship between school and home. Should you have any questions, please direct them to me at your convenience.

Students, we look forward to having you back in the building. Parents and Guardians, we look forward to working with you to optimize well-being and learning of each of our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Garinger', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr. Lee Garinger  
Principal  
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