

Phone Calls For Student Dismissal Changes

There has recently been an increase of phone calls and emails from parents on a daily basis to make student dismissal changes. A written note with the child the day of arrangement changes is the most effective way for teachers to be aware of dismissal changes. Due to busy days with students, same day emails indicating dismissal changes for that day leave room for safety concerns. Teachers and administration do not always have access to email during the day due to teaching schedules. **Similarly, last minute calls cannot be accepted for dismissal changes unless for emergency situations only.**

ROAR Presentation – NEW DATE!

Jessica Lanigan will be our next parent presenter. Her topic is how to speak to your child about protecting their body and how to identify signs abuse. This date for this presentation is of **Thursday, May 12th at 6:30 pm.**

SRS April Care Assembly

April's theme was Community and Environmental Respect. Congratulations to this month's winners!

**Kindergarten – Alice G, Sally H
Grade 1 – Hudson F, Landon M
Grade 2 – Danica A, Cash O**

**Grade 3 – Christine A, Malachi G
Grade 4 – Wyatt D, Adrienne H
Grade 5 – Daria S**

Science Invention Convention

Our first annual SRS Invention Convention will be hosted **on Wednesday, May 11th**. We are asking that all projects arrive at school by Monday, May 9th in order to set up the K-3 creations based on reusable items and the grade 4/5 poster projects. Our intention with the kick-off of this initiative was to highlight Earth Day

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Emergency Measures Procedures

As you are likely aware, our school practices Lockdowns as part of our Emergency Plan. Staff & students are familiar with lockdowns, but we wish to increase your knowledge of our procedures. It is important to understand that school staff will implement a Lockdown, or a Hold & Secure for a variety of reasons.

We practice these procedures periodically. An evacuation will be practiced on Friday, May 27th.

Lockdowns occur when there is imminent danger within the school or immediately outside the school. Once a school is placed in lockdown, all staff and students will remain in a secure location until the situation is resolved. Saint John Police Department responds to these situation. For the safety of all involved, follow the procedure below:

-**Do not call the school.** In a lockdown situation, silence is important. Phones cannot be answered and ringing or vibrating phones may alert an intruder to the whereabouts of students or staff.

-**Do not come to the school.** Roadways need to be kept clear for emergency vehicles. Parent vehicles can slow police and other emergency responders from getting to and securing the area as quickly as possible.

-**Go to our designated parent location** to receive information from police and school representatives. The designated parent location for SRS Saint Rose of Lima Church.

-**Only rely on information that comes directly from the SJPD, the school or school district.** Incorrect information and rumours often circulate during an event and can cause unnecessary stress and concern or, in extreme cases, compromise the safety of staff, students and responders. Some situations may also require that information be withheld until the situation is resolved. You may also call ASD-S at 658-5300 for more information during any emergency situation.

Following the lockdown, students may be brought to you at the parent location or you may be given permission to go to the school.

Hold & Secure situations may occur if there is an emergency in our school or community which does not cause any direct danger to students and staff but may require students to stay in their classrooms. In this situation, all doors to the school are locked. Regular classroom operations continue but no one will be allowed to enter or leave the building until the situation is resolved. Hold & Secure situations have happened because of medical emergencies and local police or community situations near our school. We also ask that you **do not come to the school** unless directed to by school staff.

We encourage you to discuss school safety with our child and to address any questions or concerns they may have.

SRS & Barnhill Crosswalk and Visual Display

A new lighted crosswalk with driver speed feedback display is being installed this summer. This positive addition will improve safety of students crossing Manawagonish Road during the day and for the community using the playground and ball fields at night. In addition, a reduce school zone speed of 40 km/hr will be implemented.