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Dear St. Mark Families:

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Alternatively, you may call the office between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM for clarification.

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As you are now likely aware, teachers who are members of the Alberta Teacher Association (ATA) have voted to take labour action which may begin on Monday 6 October. Please note that, due to the possibility of a province-wide teachers' strike regular school operations may be disrupted. Any school events on our calendar will not take place during a strike.

If an agreement is *not* reached, classes will be cancelled, and students will not attend school in person or online. Families are encouraged to ensure personal items are brought home on Friday. If there are items you wish to ensure are sent home, please reach out to your child's teacher by noon (12:00 pm) Friday 3 October 2025.

As we have shared in previous Division communications, due to the potential labour disruption that may begin on Monday, October 6, all scheduled activities, extracurricular programs, and field trips will also be cancelled for the duration of the strike. Families who have paid field trip fees will see a credit applied to their PowerSchool account, which can be used toward any outstanding or future school fees. Recreation Academy fees will also be adjusted once classes resume.

Teachers will not be providing instruction, homework, or learning materials during a province-wide strike. When classes resume, teachers will review key concepts and support students in getting back on track. We remain hopeful for a resolution and will resume regular communication once the strike ends.

All future communication until a resolution is met will be through our division office. Any communication sent to striking staff after Friday may not be addressed until after a resolution has been reached. Division communication may be sent to families via text (SMS) and/or email and via the division website. For updates and FAQs, visit ecsd.net/labourupdate.

Terry Fox Run

Today was our annual Terry Fox Run. Students learned about Terry Fox and the important cause for Cancer as he attempted to run across Canada. Students then had a fun warm-up in the gym and ran 8-10 laps around the school field. A dance party was held after on the school field.

Our Terry Fox Fundraising page is set up and is still live. <https://schools.terryfox.ca/97511> We will continue to take donations **online** until 14 October.

School Council Ice Melt Fundraiser

Our school council is once again selling Bear Tracks Ice Melt, an environmentally friendly, pet and concrete safe solution to icy sidewalks.

Cost is \$31 for a 16Kg pail. Orders are due by Friday 24 October 2025. Delivery will be made mid-November. Please see [the brochure](#) or scan the QR code for more information. Please share with your neighbours and family.



Scan to order and pay online.

This is one of our bigger fundraisers with proceeds going towards supporting the learning environment at St. Mark: sports equipment, library books, technology, etc. Please consider supporting us and thank you!

J. Hertlein and A. Stabile

St. Mark Administration



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