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Media Advisory

St. Luke students show neighbourhood they're committed to Just Saying No

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More than 60 students from grades 4 to 6 at **St. Luke School (275 Emmeline Road)** are ready to show that they'll Just Say No when confronted with alcohol and drugs.

On **Tuesday, March 28, at 1:20 p.m.** students will begin a 40-minute walk around their Lakeridge neighbourhood with a two-car police escort. They'll head west on Emmeline Road, north on Waterbury, then east on Nemeiben before turning south onto Emmeline again to complete their walk.

Students will carry posters and banners, showing their choice to Just Say No. Once they get back to the school at around 2 p.m. they will tie purple, green and orange ribbons to trees outside the school to illustrate the school's support of their decision to Just Say No.

Just Say No (JSN) is a citywide program supported by the Saskatoon Optimist Club.

The JSN program at St. Luke is coordinated by its School Health Improvement Project, otherwise known as Safe SHIP. This one-of-a-kind program is a partnership between St. Luke and the University of Saskatchewan's College of Nursing. It sees fourth-year nursing students provide health education and promotion to students, with an emphasis on safe school policies and healthy lifestyles and choices. The JSN club is part of the nursing students' work at the school.

St. Luke is an elementary school located in the Lakeridge neighbourhood. It has approximately 430 students from Kindergarten to Grade 8. It is part of the St. Paul's Catholic Schools division, which has 44 schools and approximately 15,500 students in Saskatoon, Humboldt, Biggar and Viscount. The mission of our school division is to assist parents and the local Church community in the formation of students in heart, mind, body and spirit.

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