**ST. BERNARD SCHOOL**
Saskatoon SK S7J 3W4
Phone: 306-659-7280
School Website: gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/BER
Trustees: D. Berscheid/R. Boechler/T. Jelinski
Principal: Mr. K. Hanson  Vice-Principal: Mr. T. Elash  Office Coordinator: Mrs. M. Moldenhauer

**UPCOMING EVENTS**
*denotes new or edited item
*June 22 – Gr. 6 & 7 @ Pike Lake – All Day
*June 25 – Gr. 2 & 2/3 @ Forestry Farm
*June 26 – K T/Th – Year End Program
*June 27 – Year End Mass @ Holy Spirit
*June 28 – Last Day for Students – Progress reports go home
*Aug. 30 – New Student Registration 8:45-9:45 am  
*Sept. 4 – School Resumes – AM ONLY

**Year End Administrators Message**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your efforts and support this year. The home and school working closely together means all students can achieve to the best of their ability each and every day. Mr. Elash and I would like to thank everyone for your kind welcome and encouragement throughout the year. We have had a very successful year at St. Bernard School, successful and wonderful because of the amazing staff, students and parents. It has been our pleasure getting to know you all, thank you for sharing your children with us daily; we have been inspired often because of the kindness, generosity and care they show for one another. We look forward to the 2018-19 school year and in particular, working with you all again in the fall. God Bless you and your families over the summer months as you rest, relax, and enjoy the beautiful sunshine and time together with your family and friends. We wish all students who are leaving us as well. Thank you for your years of service and for helping all children at St. Bernard to grow academically, emotionally and spiritually.

Mr. K. Hanson & Mr. T. Elash

**Farewell to Staff**

Thank you to all of our outgoing staff: Mrs. Michelle Fontaine, Mrs. Chera Suwala, Mr. Albert Couture, Miss Katie Mountain and Mrs. Teri Gandzalas

**Welcome**

We welcome to St. Bernard: Amy Manning (Grade 1), Travis Heath (Grade 3/4), Michele Pokraka (LAT) and Jen Pearson (Band).

**Supply Lists**

Our St. Bernard school supply lists will be included with report cards. They may also be found on our website. Visit www.gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/BER for all the latest news and information.

**Registration/First Day of Classes (AM Only for Students)**

New families (not registered) are required to register on Thursday, August 30th from 8:45 – 9:45AM. All Pre-Registered Students will start on Tuesday, September 4 for the morning only from 9:00– 12:00.

**Progress Reports**

If your child will be absent on the last day of school and you cannot pick up their progress report that day, please provide the school with a self-addressed stamped envelope so that we can mail it to you.

**Core French**

The aim of the Saskatchewan Core French curriculum is to help students understand, use, and appreciate the French language. Students will use the language in familiar contexts and authentic situations, develop the strategies that will help them acquire the language, and develop an appreciation of Francophone cultures.

St. Bernard School will be offering Core French to Grade 6, 7 & 8 students. Core French, starting in Grade 6, consists of 120 minutes of instruction per week while the remainder of the students’ courses are in English. Throughout the Core French program, students become familiar with the oral aspects of the French language in experiential contexts before proceeding to using it in its written forms. Thank you to our Grade 5 families for returning surveys – the vast majority of responses were to offer Core French which greatly assisted in making the decision to proceed with this programming in the Fall. Merci beaucoup!

**STUDENT ABSENCES**

The safety and whereabouts of students is paramount! St. Bernard School are using the SafeArrival attendance system. This system will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to make it convenient for you to report future absences. Please remember that we are here to help you and you can always call our office and report an absence as you have done in the past.

**LOST AND FOUND**

Please take the time to visit our lost and found tables located by the LAT room. All unclaimed items will be sent away to those in need at the end of June.

**OUR FAITH**

**Prayer For The End Of The School Year**

At the end of this school year we give thanks to God:
For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our school, both in and out of the classroom, For the talents and gifts that have been shared and the challenges that have been faced; For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed;
For the respect and care that has been given. We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun and for those that have grown.

For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles, For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days And for the love that has kept us going.

We give thanks for the community that we are, and we ask you Lord - Bless our students as they sit their exams;
may your Spirit inspire them with confidence and calmness Bless our families as we take our holidays, may our time together leave us with memories to cherish.
**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Thinking about kindergarten for this fall? Now is the time to come in and register your child! Our school is friendly, safe, welcoming and ready to help each of our students reach their full potential. We nurture faith, encourage excellence in learning and inspire students to reach out and help others – at home and around the world. Children who will be five years old by January 31, 2019 can begin kindergarten in Fall 2018. Please stop in for a visit or to pick up a registration package. Feel free to call the school if you have any questions. You may also learn more at www.gscs.ca we are rooted in faith, growing in knowledge, reaching out to transform the world!

**PARKING/STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK UP**

**PLEASE OBEY THE SCHOOL ZONE LAWS:** *In order to use a disabled parking spot, you MUST display your sign AT ALL TIMES.* **Please do not use the Staff Parking lot for pickup or drop off.** *From 7:30 am until 5:00 pm the staff parking lot is reserved for St. Bernard School staff only.* **Double Parking is prohibited.** *Do not block the fire hydrant on the corner.* *U-turns are prohibited and the 30 km/h speed limit must be adhered to in all school zones. Thank you for your cooperation!*

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**Summer Registration Centre for New Canadians**

If someone you know is new to Canada, and would like to register their children in a Catholic school, please invite them to book an appointment at the Newcomer Registration Centre. Please call 306-659-7000. **Summer Registration Centre: August 20 - 24 and August 27 - 30 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools
420 – 22nd Street East

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

There will be a $10.00 charge for a lost or damaged book. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Mrs. T Stadnyk
Teacher Librarian

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**Sunday Mass Times**

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

**Daily Mass**

Tuesday to Friday: 8:30 am

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Sunday: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

**Reconciliation**

Saturday: 11:00 am – Noon or by request

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**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED**

In September and October 2018, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools will be hosting Columbian students for a short stay. Host families in our community are required. The Canada Homestay Network is looking for host families with girls grades 6-9 and boys grade 6 and under. This is a great way to make lifelong memories and friendships as well as experience Columbian Culture. $800 monthly stipend for host families. Please contact Jodi Swaby for more information at gscs@canadahomestaynetwork.ca

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**Parents’ Child Development Co-op**

"Providing Quality Care Since 1975"

- We provide quality care for school age children on non-school days, Professional Learning Days, school breaks and the summer
- We are open Mon – Fri, 7:30am – 6:00pm
- Qualified and experienced staff
- Snacks and lunch provided daily, following the Canada Food Guide
- Excursions and field trips, adjacent to parks
- Service available at three locations: St. Philip School, St. Bernard School and Brevoort Park School.

Mrs. Moldenhauer’s Did you know ……?

Did you know that the last day of school is like no other day? Routines are overturned, desks are cleaned, backpacks are packed for the last time in this school year. Sadness, joy and excitement are all mixed together. We wish everyone a relaxing and blessed summer!
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