**ST. BERNARD SCHOOL**

Saskatoon SK S7J 3W4  
Phone: 306-659-7280

School Website: gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/BER

Principal: L. Giocoli  
Vice-Principal: C. Bischoff  
Office Coordinator: M. Moldenhauer

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

*denotes new or edited item

November 18  
Gr. 4’s to Blackstrap all day

November 21  
Portfolios & progress reports go home

November 22  
Pizza Hot Lunch; choir at Festival of Trees @ 1:00 p.m.

November 23  
Gr. 7’s to Prairieland Park (p.m.)  
& Gr. 4’s to the zoo (all day)

November 24 & 25  
3 way conferences on Thursday evening and Friday morning

November 24  
Scholastic Book Fair 3:30-8:45 pm

November 25  
No school for students; Scholastic Book Fair 8:30 am-12:00

November 28  
Earth Rangers Presentation

November 29  
First Week Advent Liturgy @ 12:45 pm

School Lockdown Practice*

December 7  
Choir @ Noon Festival TCU Place

December 8  
School Advent Liturgy @ 6:45 pm

December 14  
Third Week Advent Liturgy @ 1:15 pm*

December 21  
Last day of classes before Christmas holidays- DISMISSAL @ 2:30 pm*

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**STUDENT ABSENCES**

The safety and whereabouts of students is paramount!  
Please call the office at 306-659-7280 or stop in at the office to notify us if your child will be absent/late. St. Bernard School will begin using an automated phone messaging system for daily attendance starting on November 28, 2016. Families who have not notified the school office of an absence will receive a notification using the contact information provided to the school. Be sure that any changes in contact information have been communicated to the school office so that we can maintain accurate contact info.  
Your patience is appreciated during the transition to the new SYNERVOICE Messaging System. Students who stay for lunch are expected to stay on school grounds at lunchtime, unless staff has received a note indicating otherwise. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

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**ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION REMINDER**

The newsletter will continue to be published on the site for viewing and printing every two weeks. You can go to the new website through the GSCS website and find St. Bernard School, or you can type in the following link and save it to your favourites: www.gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/ber

In an effort to be stewards of resources and environmentally friendly, we will not be printing newsletters for each family. If you require a paper copy, please call the office.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

We will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair during the 3 Way Conferences on Nov. 24 & 25th. The book fair will run during conference times. Thank you in advance for supporting this literacy event for our school library.

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**UPCOMING LOCKDOWN DRILL**

The safety of our students and staff is our number one priority. In partnerships with the Saskatoon Police Service, all Saskatoon schools conduct two lockdown drills a year; one in the fall and one in the spring. This month, our school will be conducting a school lockdown drill. A school lockdown alerts staff and students that an imminent danger exists inside or just outside the school. School personnel lock classroom doors and windows. Student and staff move away from the windows and doors and remain in their classrooms until directed by emergency personnel that it is safe to leave.

Students and staff will be notified that it is a drill. If you require more information about lockdown procedures, please contact Ms. Giocoli.

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**ST. THERESE SCHOOL UPDATE**

It is hard to believe that we are already in the month of November. It was a pleasure meeting so many families during our fall community meeting and registration night. A reminder that student registrations are not being accepted. Families can get all the registration information on our school website https://www.gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/TH.

Although registrations are accepted all year, we hope to have the vast majority of registrations complete by the end of January, 2017. Having accurate registration numbers helps with staffing and resource allocation. Mark your calendars, on January 24th, 2017 @ 7:00pm we will be holding the St. Thérèse Kindergarten Information Night at St. Bernard School. Parents can expect to meet the Kindergarten teacher and receive information about kindergarten programming. The school principal will also be able to answer questions from parents with children from grades 1-8 who also want to attend and register.

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**OUR FAITH**

One of the most commonly recited of Catholic prayers in times past, this prayer has fallen into disuse in the last few decades. **Prayer for the dead**, however, is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform. Through our prayers, we can help the faithful departed during their time in **Purgatory**, so that they can enter more quickly into the fullness of Heaven. If you are offering the prayer for a particular person, you can substitute "him" or "her" for "them."

**Eternal Rest**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

http://catholicism.about.com/od/prayers/qt/Eternal_Rest.htm

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**ONLINE SCHEDULING SYSTEM FOR 3-WAY CONFERENCES**

Online scheduling is well under way. If you have not received the e-mail from NoReply@gscs.sk.ca with the subject line: **GSCS Parent Account Information**, please give the school a call @306-659-7280 to have your password and username resent.
**NEWS FROM OUR ST. BERNARD CSCC**

**Fundraisers:**
- Congratulations to Schools Win Twice top sellers: Kallie S., Syd F. and Charlie F.!
- Thank you to Vanessa Hepp who coordinated the Schools Win Twice Campaign!
- The Cookie Crumbles campaign starts today! Orders are due by November 30th.
- QSP magazine are a great Christmas gift! Please log onto http://www.qsp.ca and use the Group ID 3737764

**Meeting:**
Our next meeting will be held on November 22 @ 7 p.m.

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**COME CHECK OUT WHAT WE ARE DOING... FOR YOUR KIDS AND THE SCHOOL!!**

**FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING OF “FRIENDS OF ST. BERNARD COMMUNITY”**

November 22, 2016
7:30 p.m.
St. Bernard School Library

**Help us help our school**

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http://www.holyspiritsaskatoon.ca

**Mass Times:**
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 7:00 p.m.

**Weekday Times:**
Tuesday to Friday - 8:30 a.m.

**Sunday Liturgies:**
Saturday 5:00 p.m.,
Sunday 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon and 7:00 p.m.

**NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

**LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**
http://www.lakeviewca.com/
The LCA Board meets in Lakeview School Library on the first Wednesday of every month.
The LCA is looking for volunteers to help with Rink maintenance for the 2016/2017 skating season. If you are interested in volunteering your time or equipment, please contact:
Jeff Loehr - jqloehr@hotmail.com

**MCLOURE UNITED CHURCH**
PD Day Camp for children 4 years – grade 6 at McClure United Church on the following dates: January 27, March 10 and May 19 from 9-3:30 with the option of before and after care.
Please visit https://mccluresktn.ca/mcclure-united-church/ to download a registration form or phone (306) 373-1753 for more information.

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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.

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**2016-2017 INFLUENZA CAMPAIGN**

Influenza season is around the corner! Free flu clinics will begin Monday, October 31, 2016. Full listing of all clinic sites: https://www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca/locations_Services/Influenza-Program/Pages/Clinic-Locations.aspx

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Mrs. Moldenhauer’s Did You Know?
On November 17th Bakers of the world, rise up and bake some bread, for today is Homemade Bread Day.

Bread has been made for thousands of years. Estimates date its origin back to 5000-10,000 B.C. The purpose of this day is easy to understand- to make home made bread, and to encourage you and me to make tasty and nutritious bread. So, take a little time out of your busy day, and make some bread. Your nose, your taste buds, and your whole family will be glad you did.

Happy Homemade Bread Day!
The Take Action on Radon Saskatchewan Coalition along with the Saskatoon Public and Catholic School Boards are encouraging everyone to test their homes for radon. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in Canada. Radon is a radioactive gas from the breakdown of uranium in the ground. You cannot smell, taste, or see radon gas so it is important to test your home.

During the month of November, families can purchase a radon detector through www.littlelungs.ca for a discounted price of only $20. Our goal is to test 2,017 homes where little lungs are present, in 2017!