École St. Gerard School

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We are guided
by the virtues of:
Respect,
Enthusiasm
Responsibility,
Self-Discipline,
Consideration.

Prayer for the Season of Autumn
We bless you,
God of Seed and Harvest
And we bless each other
That the beauty of this world
And the love that created it
Might be expressed though our lives
And be a blessing to others
Now and always
Creator God, for daily bread
and all who work
to bring your harvest home
we bring our thanks today.
AMEN

J. Birch, 2016 http://www.faithandworship.com/

Friendly Reminders:
-Newsletters go home every 2nd Tuesday by email. If You do not have an email registered with the school, please do so. This will ensure you receive the next newsletter by email. For those who do not have an email a paper copy will be sent with the youngest of the family.
- Media Release forms (light pink) were due back to the school last week.
- Student Verification forms (light blue) were due back last week.

Parking/Bus Zone
- All students transported by bus are picked up and dropped off on Ottawa Ave or Bedford Road—behind the school. We have 11 busses come to and from our school each day.
- Students are NOT to be crossing the street between busses.
- Just a reminder that a portion of the front street (Montreal Ave) is designated for Disability Parking and another portion indicated Drop Off & Pick Up—Driver MUST Remain in Vehicle.
- If you are transporting your child, please refrain from parking in the school bus zones in the crosswalks and other “no parking” areas.

AGM
Thank you to the parents who attended the AGM last week. Our new CSCC members are: Chair: Chris Perepekin; Vice-Chair: Georgetta Fitzpatrick; Secretary: Lynn Harmon & Tanya Harhara; Treasurer: Mike Minutes for the AGM and upcoming CSCC meetings will be posted on the school’s website. Many volunteers are needed to run events at the school! Please help us out when you can! Next CSCC meeting: Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30 p.m. All parents are welcome!

SWT
Only three weeks left to sell your SWT tickets. All tickets, sold or unsold, are to be submitted to the office by October 13th. Thank you for helping out with this fundraiser. If you would like more tickets, send a signed note to the office.

CSCC Hosted Turkey Bingo
Please join us on Tuesday, October 3rd from 6 – 8 pm for food and fun! There will be a concession (hotdogs, popcorn, juice and chips). Consider donating $1 to help us purchase prizes and turkeys for the Bingo Night. See the attached flyer for more details.

FIRST STUDENT TRANSPORTATION
This is the link for Delays and Cancellations from the First Student Website. https://saskatoon.firststudentinc.com/Cancellations.aspx

Pizza HOT LUNCH forms are due this Thursday, September 28th. HOT LUNCH DAY: Oct 5th

ORANGE SHIRT DAY: Friday, September 30th

A look ahead at Non-School days for students
Friday, October 6 — Professional Learning Day
Monday, October 7 — Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 9 — PLD
Friday, November 10 — Teacher Convention
Monday, November 13 — Remembrance Day
Monday, December 25 to Friday, January 5 — Christmas Holidays (First day back Monday, Jan 8th)
The first parent/child gathering for children registered to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion will take place at St. Patrick’s Parish on Tuesday, October 3rd at 7:00 pm. If you are registered at St. Patrick Parish or attend mass here on a regular basis, and would like to have your child receive the sacraments, please make sure to attend this important first gathering. Children will receive their workbooks at this gathering and will be introduced to the animation series that will accompany them on their journey to receiving the sacraments. A schedule of the dates and times of important gatherings will be handed out to the parents to guide them in forming their child’s faith. Registration forms will be made available for those who have not yet registered. Please bring a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate if your child was not baptized at St. Patrick Parish. For more information or registration forms please contact the parish office. Note: A suggested donation of $40.00 is suggested to offset the cost of the books required. All children are welcome - if you require sponsorship, please contact Fr. Gerard at the parish office.

DECISION POINT: SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR YOUTH GRADES 7-12

Our youth preparation for the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation will begin in January. All youth in grades 7-12 who want to receive the sacraments are required to attend the DECISION POINT evangelization series. This series is centered on a catechesis of evangelization that is first and foremost a conversation that leads to conversion of heart, mind and soul. It will present the Gospel in a way that is fresh, intriguing, relevant and attractive. The series will teach and inspire our youth to respond to the call of Christ, and cooperate with his grace to live in a committed relation to God in daily life. Please register your child in the DECISION POINT Sacramental formation series as soon as possible so we can order resources. To register please call St. Patrick Parish office at 306 384 1100.

**WEEK 1 SW Winner**


**Family Health Information**

Chicken Pox; Common Cold; Dental Care; Services; Immunization Notice & Vision Problems

Find more family health info at: www.saskatchewanhealthinfo.ca

**Healthy Students = Better Learners**

**ST. PATRICK PARISH**

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN GRADES 2 - 6**

St. Mary’s Parish
Preparation for First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion.

Register on October 14th.

First parent meeting Tuesday, October 17th at 7:00pm. Please bring a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate. This meeting is for parent(s)/guardian(s) only.

In order for your child to receive his/her First Communion in the spring he/she must celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation first, in December, 2017.

If you have any questions please contact St. Mary’s Parish at 244-2983.

**Fun at the Western Development Museum**

Come in your costumes and celebrate Halloween with the Western Development Museum at Boe Town on Monday, October 30th from 5:30 - 8:30 pm. This fun, safe, family event includes spooky games, terrifying tales, tasty treats, live entertainment, a Boomtown mystery to solve and more!

**Admission:**

- **Family:** $25.00
- **Adults:** $10.00
- **Kids(6-12):** $4.00
- **Pre-K:** FREE

Children must be accompanied by an adult,

as we celebrate reading with our **Literacy Night**! Our theme this year is: The Saskatchewan Odyssey. The Saskatchewan Odyssey demonstrates for parents and children the fun of learning together and that literacy is more than reading and writing. A great way to come together for fun and learning! *time will be disclosed next newsletter.*

**Absent or Late Arrivals:** Parents are required to notify the school if their son/daughter will be late or absent. The message manager is on 24 hours a day, so please call at any time and leave a message. Please include your child’s name, grade, classroom teacher and that your child will be late or absent. If you prefer to send an email, you can send to St.Gerard@gcs.sks.ca. If we have not received any message for an absent or late, a generated phone message will be sent to your primary phone number. Parents are required to call the school when their child is absent. If your child comes in late, please remind him/her to report to the office.

**Allergies in our School:**

We have many students with allergies in our school. Our school is a NUT ALERT school which means that NO nuts or foods containing nut products should enter the school. We have students with life threatening allergies towards nuts. Thank you for helping us keep all the children safe.