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GOSPEL VIRTUE - TOLERANCE

I am tolerant. I overlook people's faults. I am open to differences. God help me to accept the things I cannot change.

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 3	GSCS Track Meet for Gr 4 to Gr 8 qualifiers – Gordie Howe Sports Centre
June 3	Playday for Kindergarten – Gr 3 in our school yard
June 3	6:00 pm – CSCC Meeting in the library
June 4	8:45 am – KMW and KTT go to Timbernook
June 4	9:00 am – Gr 7/8 goes to Eagle Creek
June 4	11:15 am – Gr 6/7 goes to the U of S
June 5	8:40 am – Gr 8 Retreat at St. Philip Neri Parish
June 5	9:00 am – Gr 4 goes to Batoche
June 6	All library books need to be returned – LIBRARY CLOSED
June 6	PLD – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
June 10	1:00 pm – Gr 3/4 and Gr 6/7 go to Lathey Pool
June 10	1:00 pm – Gr 2/3 Learn to Ride Bike Safety
June 11	9:00 am – Gr 3/4 goes to the U of S (Stones/Bones)
June 11	9:00 am – Deadline to order Treats – Dairy Queen
June 11	12:30 pm – Gr 8 Farewell Photo
June 11	1:00 pm – Gr 8 Farewell Celebration – St. Philip Neri Church
June 12	9:00 am – Deadline to order hotdogs
June 13	10:30 am – Gr 7/8 go bowling
June 16	2:15 pm – Band Concert in the gym – all welcome!
June 17	9:00 am – Gr 6/7 and Gr 7N go to Pike Lake
June 18 and 19	9:00 am – Gr 8 goes camping to Kadesh
June 18	Treat Day – Dairy Queen (for those who ordered)
June 18	12:30 pm – Gr 5/6 goes to Grip It Climbing Gym
June 19	9:00 am – Deadline to order CSCC BBQ for PARENTS attending
June 19	9:00 am – Gr 2 and Gr 2/3 go to the Forestry Farm
June 19	12:30 pm – Kindergarten Tuesday/Thursday Celebration of Learning Carnival
June 19	12:30 pm – Gr 5 Band Instrument Try-Outs
June 20	11:40 am – Hotdog lunch (for those who ordered)
June 20	12:30 pm – Kindergarten Monday/Wednesday Celebration of Learning Carnival
June 20	12:45 pm – Gr 3 to Gr 8 go to Lathey Pool
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
June 24	9:00 am – Gr 1 goes to Wonderhub and Kinsmen Park
June 25	9:00 am – Year End Mass led by Gr 2 – St. Philip Neri Church
June 26	9:30 am – Year End Assembly in the gym led by Gr 6/7
June 26	11:45 am – CSCC Year End BBQ
June 26	Last Day for Students – Report Cards Go Home – dismissal at 3:30 pm
June 27	Last Day for Teaching Staff

**HAPPY
FATHERS
DAY**

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

Fathers everywhere,
We honor you and wish to say
May God's blessings be with you
In a special way today!
Amen.

GOD BLESS ALL FATHERS AND GRANDFATHERS

ADMIN MESSAGE

- ✓ As we approach the end of another school year, our hearts are full of gratitude for all that God has done in and through our school community. June is a time to reflect, give thanks, and celebrate His goodness.
- ✓ We have much to celebrate! Our qualifying students are off to the Track & Field Meet on June 3rd, showing perseverance and joy in using the gifts God has given them. Our Spring Band Concert will be held on June 16th at 2:15 pm a beautiful reminder of how music can glorify the Lord and bring people together in harmony and praise. We will also be gathering to honor our Grade 8 students on June 11th, as they prepare to take the next step in their journey. We send them off with our prayers, confident that God has great plans for each of them.
- ✓ A heartfelt thank you to all the families who joined us for Bingo Night, and to our amazing CSCC for hosting such a fun and faith-filled evening of fellowship.
- ✓ We also want to thank everyone who participates in Jump Rope for Heart on Friday, May 30th. So far, we've raised \$150.00, and donations will continue to be accepted until June 14th. Your generosity is making a difference!
- ✓ Congratulations to all our students who recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. (Gian B, Amelia M, Anna N, Princess Q and Paige B). May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you and may your hearts remain close to Jesus.
- ✓ To all families who completed the pre-registration forms, thank you! This truly helps us plan effectively and faithfully for the year ahead.
- ✓ We are excited to invite you to our Year-End BBQ, generously sponsored by the CSCC, happening on June 26th. More details will be sent out soon—we look forward to celebrating together!
- ✓ As we prepare to wrap up the school year, please encourage your children to check the Lost and Found. We have many items waiting to be claimed before summer begins.
- ✓ Thank you, families, for your faithful support, encouragement, and prayers throughout this school year. It has been a blessing to walk alongside you in nurturing the hearts, minds, and spirits of our students.

Blessings!

Paola Kobussen, Principal

PLASTIC CUTLERY



We do not have spoons or forks in the staffroom for students. Please pack a spoon or fork with your child's lunch if they are having yogurt, fruit cups, soup, etc. Also, please remember that the microwave in the staffroom is not available for students. Please use a thermos to keep your child's lunch warm.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES

We have noticed a number of students being dropped off early in the mornings and picked up late after school. It is expected that **students should not arrive any earlier than 8:25 am and that they are picked up or walk home following dismissal at 3:10 pm.** The exception to this is when they are under teacher supervision to receive extra help with work. Arrangements with the Before and After School Program need to be made for students arriving before this time or needing to be picked up later. The telephone number for the Before and After School Program is 306-659-7106. This is to ensure students safety as there is no supervision during these times.

STUDENT ABSENCES

Edsby Attendance All student absences must be sent in through Edsby.



Please enter the absence in Edsby as soon as you know your child will be absent.

If you receive a message that your child is absent, please enter in Edsby or call the school to clear this absence.

As a reminder: all students who arrive late need to check in at the office for a late slip. Also, if your child is leaving early, they need to let the office know before leaving the school.

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-26 school year will open in January. Children who will be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2025, can register for Kindergarten by contacting the school or visiting www.gscs.ca/kindergarten.

If you have questions or need more information, contact us at 306-659-7450 or st.philip@gscs.ca.

KINDER CARE

Our partner PCDC (Parent's Child Development Co-Operative) continues to offer a "KinderCare" program. This program offers care on alternate days of our St. Philip Kindergarten Program. If you are interested in accessing this support, please confirm your spot for the fall by connecting with Shelley Farkas, Centre Manager, St. Philip Location at 306-659-7106 or sfarkas.pcdc@sasktel.net **before April 15th**. [Priority will be given to St. Philip families]. Once again, a great opportunity for our young students and their families.

SCHOOL TOURS

If you are aware of families in the neighborhood who may be interested in sending their child(ren) to St. Philip School, please have them contact us at 306-659-7450 or st.philip@gscs.ca. We would be happy to meet all new families and welcome a chance to give them a tour of our school.

TRACK AND FIELD

On Wednesday, May 14th, our Gr 4 – Gr 8 students participated in our school's track meet. The following students advance to the Divisional meet held on June 3rd at the Gordie Howe Sports Complex. Congratulations to all students who competed at the Divisional meet; all were excellent representatives of St. Philip School.

Junior Girls

Name	Events
Alexandrea	100m, 200m, Relay
Madison	100m, 200m, Relay
Faith	Long Jump, Relay
Dakota	Long Jump, High Jump
Gillian	Ball Throw, Relay
Adilyn	Ball Throw

Junior Boys

Name	Events
Vinnie	100m, 200m, Relay
Robin	100m, High Jump, Relay
Hunter	200m, Relay
Bennet	Long Jump, Ball Throw, Relay
Artem	Long Jump
Brighton	Ball Throw

Intermediate Girls

Name	Events
Emerie	100m, Relay
Dana	100m, 800m
Avery	200m, Long Jump, Relay
Indiana	200m, Relay
Amelia	High Jump, Shot Put, Relay
Reece	800m, Long Jump
Marley	Shot Put

Intermediate Boys

Name	Events
Shahroze	100m, Relay
Simon	100m, 200m, Relay
Luke	200m, 800m, Relay
Lincoln	High Jump, Relay
Isaiah	800m, High Jump
Dan	Long Jump
Dominic	Long Jump
Ben	Shot Put
Eric	Shot Put

Senior Girls

Name	Events
Libbey	100m, 200m, Relay
Faye	100m, Long Jump, Relay
Gloria	200m, Relay
Antosia	800m, High Jump, Relay
Ashlyn	800m, Long Jump
Marina	Shot Put
Vivian	Shot Put

Senior Boys

Name	Events
Rain	100m, 200m, Relay
Yuvain	100m, Relay
Liam	200m, 800m, Relay
Brandon	800m, Long Jump, Relay
Regan	High Jump
Benict	Shot Put

LIBRARY CLOSING

We ask that all library books are returned by **Friday, June 6th**.

GRADE 8 RECYCLING FOR CAMPING TRIP



The Gr 8 class is collecting pop bottles, juice boxes, etc for their year end camping trip. If you would like to donate, you can drop off at the Sarcan South (Jasper Avenue) location. Please make sure that you let them know it is for St. Philip School and the school phone number is 306-659-7450. Thank you for supporting our school.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAYS (PLD)

GSCS have professional learning days for elementary school staff for staff meetings, planning, collaboration and professional development. On these days there are no students at school: **Friday, June 6.**

HEALTHY HUNGER LUNCHES



Thanks to all of you who supported the Hot Lunches this year. The Healthy Hunger program helped to make the lunches run more smoothly and hopefully made it easier for you to order your children's meals.

WEDNESDAY TREAT DAY

This year St. Philip School will continue to have Treat Day fundraisers. Orders will be placed through your child's **My School Bucks** account or with the order form and correct cash. Please see attached My School Bucks instruction letter [MySchoolBucks](#). Treat Day will be **June 18**.

CSCC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General CSCC meeting is on **Tuesday, September 16th** at 7:00 pm in the library. If you are interested in letting your name stand for any of the elected Council positions or if you require any additional information, please contact our CSCC Chairperson, Siobhan Brennan at csccp hic@gscs.ca. All are welcome to attend the AGM. Thank you for your cooperation, support and your interest in the St. Philip CSCC. Together, we make St. Philip a great school for every child to learn, grow and succeed.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CSCC meetings will be held in the library at 6:00 pm. The CSCC meeting dates are: **June 3**. If you are wishing to become involved, please email our CSCC Chair, Siobhan Brennan at csccp hic@gscs.ca or our Principal, Paola Kobussen at pkobussen@gscs.ca. All are welcome!

GSCS FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

The GSCS Foundation newsletter can be found online at <https://foundation.gscs.ca/newsletters>.

BE SEEN IN JEANS

Our school staff will be supporting the Greater Saskatoon Schools Foundation by paying to wear jeans on the following dates: **June 13**. As well, our staff will wear jeans to support the United Way on Wednesdays in October.

FIRST VIEW

First Student bus company has a new communication tool for all bus riders. First you must register, then you will be able to track the bus, receive notifications of delays and get answers to some frequently asked questions. Please see these links for setup. [App Installation Guide - FirstView](#), [FAQ - FirstView](#), [Mail - What is FirstView](#) **Our school code is: 8YG5** Please advise your children to return home if the bus has not arrived at their stop after 10 minutes and check the FirstView App. We do not want any students walking to school without parent permission.

BUSSING TO ST. PHILIP SCHOOL



Bussing is provided to students living further than 1.2 km from the school in Broadway, Exhibition, Grosvenor Park, South Corman Park and Varsity View areas. To see if your child qualifies for bussing, check out the First Student website at saskatoon.firststudentinc.com or call the school at 306-659-7450.

POP CAN TAB COLLECTION



Silver for Gold is a fundraiser run by the online community, **Small But Mighty SK**, to collect aluminum can tabs to raise money for Childhood Cancer Canada. **Please donate your pop can tabs to this worthy cause! It's as simple as removing the tabs from your cans, collecting them in a ziplock bag and dropping them off at the office!**

PCDC BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE



- Quality care for school age children before and after school.
- Care for full days on PLDs and summer.
- Open Monday - Friday, 7:30 am - 6:00 pm

For more information, please contact Shelley at 306-659-7106 or sfarkas.pcdc@sasktel.net

ST. PHILIP NERI PARISH

Phone: 306-343-0325; Fax: 306-343-0900;

Website: www.stphilipneriparish.ca; Facebook: Saint Philip Neri Parish

Weekday Masses: Tuesdays ~ Fridays at **8:30 am**

Weekend Masses: Saturday ~ **5:00 pm**; Sunday ~ **10:00 am**

Livestream Masses: Sunday ~ 10:00 am

APC COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



For information on activities happening in our community, please check out their website at www.adelaidechurchill.ca



NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters will be emailed home the **last week of each month** (except for September and January) and will be posted on our website:

www.gscs.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/phi.

EXTERIOR DOORS

Due to safety, all exterior doors will be locked, except for the main front door, during the school day from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Students and visitors are reminded that entrance to the school throughout the day will be through the main entrance only. **All visitors should report to the office.**

UPDATING STUDENT INFORMATION

Please call the school and let us know if you have changed your telephone number or have moved. In case of an emergency, we need accurate, updated information to contact you.

TELEPHONE MESSAGES

Our telephone system has changed. Our telephones are now on automated answering. Please listen carefully to the prompts. To leave a message for teachers "press 9". To leave a message for Mrs. Lockert "press 0". All calls will be directed to voicemail and messages will be returned as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

OUTSIDE FOOTWEAR

Parents, students and staff are reminded to remove any wet outside footwear when entering the school. This will ensure the floors will be kept dry and clean for those who do remove their footwear. Thank you for keeping our school safe and clean.

MEDICATION POLICY

The School Division policies outline appropriate procedures dealing with a variety of emergency situations, which includes administration of emergency medical assistance or medication. Prior to administering medication (prescription or non prescription). It is stated that a letter from the child's parent/ guardian and a letter from the physician is to be received at the school. If this applies to your child, please contact the school for more information.

ALLERGY ALERT



We have a number of students and staff at our school that are **highly allergic to peanuts and nut products**. Anaphylaxis is a medical condition that causes a severe reaction to specific foods and can result in death within minutes. Because of the seriousness of this danger, we ask that you are careful to avoid sending these foods or foods containing them to school. A reminder that if you have a child that needs medical treatment that is life threatening, please contact the principal at the school. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

For the safety of our students, please do not use the staff parking lots as a drop off or pick up zone. When dropping off your children, please use Haultain Avenue and drop them off by the gym doors.

SCHOOL ZONES

- The speed limit in school zones is 30 kms/hr
- U-turns are prohibited
- Parking is allowed in designated areas only
- Stopping or parking is not allowed in a school bus loading zone
- Jaywalking is prohibited; pedestrians must cross at intersections or marked crosswalks

Register Today *before our camps fill up!*



Six Weeks of Camp - Two New Offerings

Week One: Sunday, July 6 to Friday, July 11 (Traditional Ages 8-13)

Week Two: Sunday, July 13 to Friday, July 18 (Traditional Ages 8-13)

Week Three: Sunday, July 20 to Friday, July 25 (Traditional Ages 8-13)

Week Four: Sunday, July 27 to Thursday, August 31 (Ages 12-15)

Week Five: Tuesday, August 5 to Friday, August 8 (Ages 6-9)

Week Six: Sunday, August 10 to Friday, August 15 (Traditional Ages 8-13)