Principal: Paula Fortier Vice Principal: Daniel Denis Office Coordinator: Mary Ann Hill
Trustees: Michael Raney, Sharon Zakreski-Werbicki Pastor: Fr. Gerard Cooper & Rev. Fr. Joe-Nelo Peninp
Catholic School Community Council (CSCC): Jodie Ostrowski

Phone: (306) 659-7200 Attendance: Edsby App
Email: Father.Robinson@gscs.ca
Newsletter November, 2026
www.gscs.sk.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/RBI

8:35 am - First Bell
10:10 - 10:25 Recess
11:40 - 12:20 pm Recess/Lunch
1:55 – 2:10 pm. Recess
3:10 pm Dismissal

Message from the Principal

Throughout November, our school community will focus on the saints and the examples they give us of lives rooted in faith, courage, hope, and wisdom. As we also prepare for Remembrance Day, we remember with gratitude those who served and sacrificed for peace. May we continue to be Called to Soar, living our faith through kindness, service, gratitude, and peace.

Dates to Remember

November

- Nov 2: All Saints Day Liturgy | 12:45 pm Gym (4/5Dixon, all welcome!)
- Nov 3: FR ROB ANNUAL BINGO NIGHT 6PM Holy Family Cathedral
- Nov 4: Photo Retakes (a.m.)
- Nov 5: Movie Club Showing of 2025-26 film
  6PM Door Opens, 6:30 Start – information about tickets to come as it's actors and families only
- Nov 9: Edsby Conference booking opens
- Nov 9: Subway lunch – Healthyhunger.ca to order 5 days prior
- Nov 10: Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:45 (6 French)
- Nov 11- 13 – Remembrance Day and Holiday – No School
- Nov 19: Conference evening
- Nov 20: Conferences- No classes

Bingo - Our annual Family Bingo Night hosted by CSCC will take place at the Cathedral on Nov. 3rd. Doors open at 6pm, games start at 6:30p.m. Booklets can be purchased at the door. **CASH ONLY!**

Bingo booklets - $10 per booklet for the 10 bingo games or $1/game for extra game sheets

Raffle Prize Tickets - $2 each or 6 for $10

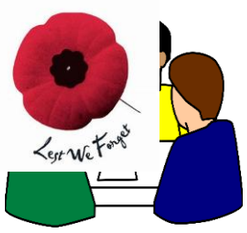
50/50 Tickets - $2 each, or 3 for $5

Concession items ranging from $1 to $3

LOTS of great prizes to be won! A few of the great prizes are: a 43" Smart TV, a guitar, a Sheraton Hotel stay, so many toys, huge stuffies, gift cards, etc!

Remembrance Day Celebration - Parents, Guardians, Grandparents are welcome to attend our Remembrance Day celebration on Nov. 10 at 10:45 lead by Miss. French's Grade 6 class. Poppies will be given to all students. Please consider sending a donation to your child's classroom teacher for the poppies.

Three-Way Conferences – We are excited to meet in person with you and your children to discuss strengths, areas requiring support and to set goals for term two. Conferences will only be booked through Edsby. We are requesting that all parents sign up with their children's teacher for one 15-minute time slot. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday, November 19th 3:30 to 8:00 and Friday, November 20th 8:30 to 12:30. There will be no classes on Friday. Parents will receive an Edsby message notifying them when bookings are open. **Bookings will begin on Nov. 9th at 10 a.m. - Nov 18th at 4p.m.** If you need a code, it is gscs



Reporting Absences in Edsby – We are finding a lot of errors in Edsby's attendance reporting for same day absences. If you click the absent today button, it will automatically clear students for the entire day. If you require a half-day absence, please click on the calendar. Choose the correct date and the correct times.

Absences should be entered into Edsby for the day or half-day. They should be entered by 8:30 a.m. Teachers check first thing in the morning and again at 12:20. Absences may not be seen during teaching time.

8:40 – 12p.m is the time which needs to be entered for morning absences.
Notes can be added like dentist appointment, eta 10:30
12:20 – 3:10 is the time which needs to be entered for afternoon absences.
Notes should be added, like will pick up at 2:00 at the front doors,
Will pick up at lunch and return by 1:30p.m.
Leaving early at 2p.m.

Absences for an extended period (3 days or more) should be reported to Edsby and classroom teachers by email. Things to keep in mind are that comments will appear on government sites. Please limit your details.



Lost Clothing – **PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILDREN'S CLOTHING.** Clothing can only be returned if there is a name on it. Thanks for your assistance and cooperation.

EDSBY is a must

Most school information is posted in Edsby. Please sign up for your parent account for your child/children. Attendance must be entered on Edsby. Please do not email teachers directly. Edsby will also be the only way to sign up for Parent teacher conferences in November. If you need a code it should be gscs. Please watch for these emails and check your junk mail.

Pick up and Drop Off - Parents are reminded not to enter or park in the staff parking lot at any time. Dropping students off in the parking lot is a dangerous practice. Also, many neighbors on Rogers Road, Cowley Road and Forsyth Crescent are reminding parents that parking in their driveways and pulling in and backing up is dangerous and illegal. Student safety is our priority, and we respectfully remind everyone about their role.

Healthy Hunger - Our students have enjoyed many special lunches in the past. Healthy Hunger lunches will continue at our school. Please register your students with their new teachers. They will send reminders if you are registered. **Remember orders must be placed 5 days prior to delivery.**

Noon Lunch supervision - For the 2026-2027 school year, a per-student noon lunch supervision fee will be charged for students who attend Saskatoon elementary schools and stay at school over the lunch period. This cost-recovery fee that was introduced in 2022-23 will help cover the expense of supervision that is not funded by provincial operating grants.

For elementary schools in Saskatoon, the cost-recovery fee applies to kindergarten through Grade 8 students who stay at school for lunch. The fee will be $10 per month per student. Half-time kindergarten students will pay $5 per month. Fees will be capped at $20 per month per family. (High school fees are separate and not included in this per-family cap.) Families have the option to make one payment for the entire school year (10 months; September through June) or set-up monthly installments. **Initial payment is due September 30, 2026.** When making the purchase, please select the number of the months you're paying for (10 quantity for the entire school year).

Families will be contacted if fees are not paid and students are staying for lunch.

The fee will apply to all students who stay at the school over lunch, including students who are bused to school. Fees are fixed per month; they will not be calculated based on the number of school days or the number of days students are present/absent. Fees help recover the cost of supervision; they do not pay for food. These fees also apply for children that go home to eat lunch but return early during the lunch break.

Fees can be paid online through MySchoolBucks (www.myschoolbucks.ca) using credit cards or VISA/MasterCard debit cards.. Receipts will be issued, and the cost can be claimed as a childcare deduction on your federal tax return.

To allow equitable access for families, fees will be waived for families unable to pay. If this applies to you, please create a MySchoolBucks account and continue to the area to pay fees. Select the "request exemption" option instead of a payment amount. This request will be kept confidential and only viewed by the school office.

Instructions to create an account, login, and pay fees through MySchoolBucks can be found on the division website at https://go.gscs.ca/nls. Answers to some frequently asked questions are also on the website. Go to the Store, select your item, put it into your cart and make payment from there.

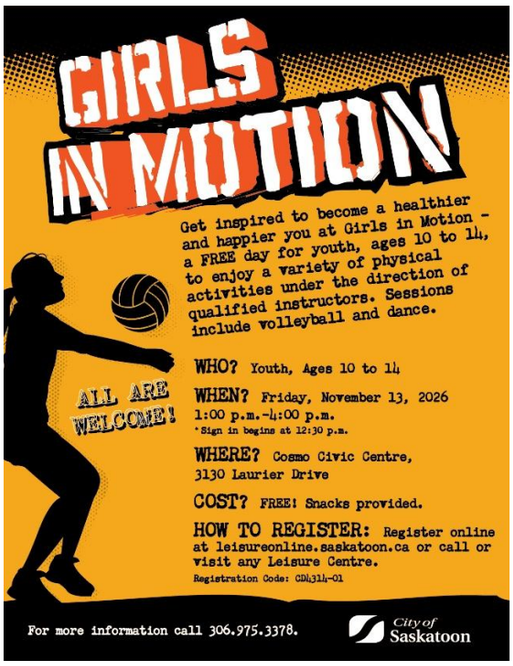
Technical questions about MySchoolBucks accounts and payments can directed to 1-855-832-5226.

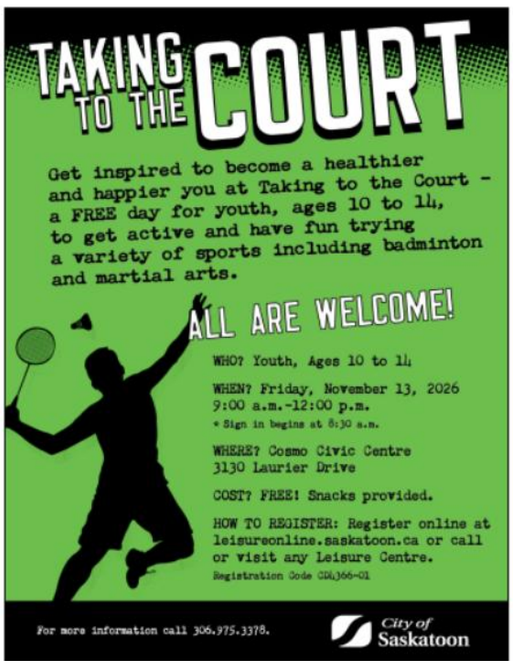
FirstStudent - The bus company has an app called **FirstView1.0.** This app allows you to register your stop and track the location of the bus which will be especially helpful when the weather turns cold. Please **sign up for notifications from the bus company if there are cancellations, they will notify you**. **Our new school code is U6Z9B**
Please contact the office if you need to register a student.

Father Robinson Catholic School Community Council (CSCC)

CSCC –We will be meeting on Monday, November 2nd at 7 p.m. All parents are invited to join us for our CSCC meetings. They are held the first Monday of every month in the school library. All are welcome to learn more about the council and how to support our students and classrooms.

Community Happenings





Sacramental Preparation for Children & Youth

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Step 1. Register:
hfsacraments.ca

Step 2. Parent Information Sessions at the cathedral (attend *any one*; approx. 45 mins):

- Sunday, September 27 @ 1:30 PM
- Tuesday, September 29 @ 5:30 PM or 7:00 PM
- Thursday, October 1 @ 5:30 PM
- Sunday, October 4 @ 1:30 PM

Step 3. Monthly Family/Children Preparation Sessions:

- *Full schedule coming soon.*
- First Communion: Sundays from 10:10-10:50 AM, roughly once/month.
- Confirmation: possibly the choice of Tuesdays (7-8 PM) or Thursdays (5:30-6:30 PM), roughly once/month.

BAPTISM
FIRST COMMUNION
CONFIRMATION

In the Roman Catholic Church in Saskatoon, children are *usually* baptized as infants, receive **First Communion around age 7+** (Grade 2), and receive **Confirmation around age 11+** (Grade 6).

But sometimes life happens.

Is your child older? Did you move from an area with different ages? Did COVID interfere? Let's get things sorted out.

Our programs preparing children and youth for these sacraments are starting soon. Register at **hfsacraments.ca** to get the process started.



YOUTH PROGRAMS - OCT TO JAN

KIDS 4CHRIST	**KG TO GRADE 5** *FUN, MUSIC AND ACTIVITY*	OCT 18th	NOV 15th	DEC 13th	JAN 17th	SUN 3 - 4:30PM
HEART2HEART	**GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8** *FAITH, ACTIVITY AND ADORATION*	OCT 15th	NOV 19th	TUES DEC 8th	JAN 21st	THURS 7-9PM
FACETOFACE MINISTRIES	**GRADE 6 TO GRADE 8** *FAITH, FUN AND MUSIC*	OCT 1st	NOV 5th	DEC 10th	JAN 7th	THURS 7-9PM
SOUL FOOD	**GRADE 9 TO GRADE 12** *FORMATION, ACTIVITY AND SHARING*	OCT 27th	NOV 24th	DEC 8th	JAN 12th	TUES 7-9PM
HOLY FAMILY YOUTH CHOIR	**GRADE 6 TO GRADE 12+** *FOR MUSICIANS AND SINGERS*	Email Conchita for practice dates				WED 6-8PM

TO REGISTER AND GET UPDATES CONTACT **CONCHITA@HOLYFAMILYCATHEDRAL.CA**