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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021

Greetings from your Administrative Team...

September to November marks our first reporting period. This is a time to share and celebrate the learning that has happened since the beginning of the year. We are learning many new things despite some of the limitations because of Covid. While this year our conferences will continue to look different, we will still be in contact with every family by phone to share about your child's learning. This is an opportunity for us to check in with you and to share the success that we are observing at school.

We appreciate the efforts of all our families by preparing your children to hand wash/sanitize, keep socially distant and to wear a mask. We need to continue following these preventative measures and we want to thank you for all your support.

We know that the last year and a half has been difficult. We highlight to our students that extra patience and kindness with each other is very important at this time.

Our school is working towards our goal of installing our Treaty medal this year. As we continue to focus on the importance of truth and reconciliation and our role as treaty people, the students will have many learning opportunities throughout the year. Each class participated in Tipi teachings in October, which connect to our Catholic virtues. In the coming weeks, our grade 7 and 8 students will participate in the Blanket Exercise and all students will help to create a school mural led by Indigenous artist, Kevin Peeace. We are very excited to continue this learning alongside the students as we respond to the Calls to Action set out by the Truth and Reconciliation commission.

L. McGettigan Principal
E. Jones Vice Principal

Dates to Remember...

- Nov. 3**
Beaver Creek – Gr. 4/5 Blyth 9:30-3PM
- Nov. 4**
Volleyball
- Nov. 5**
Healthy Hunger Fun Lunch – Baba's Perogies
- Nov. 10**
Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:40 AM 
- Nov. 11**
Remembrance Day – No School for students
- Nov. 12**
No School for students – Vacation Day
- Nov. 15**
Picture Retakes
- Nov. 16**
Conference Scheduler opens to parents 9 am
- Nov. 17**
CSCC Meeting – all welcome
- Nov. 18**
Volleyball
- Nov. 19**
House League Kick Off
- Nov. 22-28**
Virtual Book Fair (see link below)
- Nov. 24**
Conference Scheduler closes at 12 noon
- Nov. 25**
Three Way Virtual Conferences 3:45-8:30 PM
- Nov. 26**
Three Way Virtual Conferences 8:45 AM-12:30 PM - No School for students

November



News from the Office

Safety at our crosswalks

This is just a reminder to be safe when crossing our streets at the crosswalks. Please don't ever assume that a car will stop. Make sure that cars come to a complete stop before crossing the streets. We do not want any of our students hurt. Please talk this over with your child(ren) and remind them of this very important safety concern.

Parking Out Front

As the weather is about to change and get colder, parking can and will be a problem out front. Please remember to not get out of your vehicle, as these are drop off and pick up spots only. Traffic jams are very common around 3:30 as well – to help avoid this – you could tell your kids to meet you at the Willowgrove square area or arrive 10 -15 minutes later to help avoid the line ups. There is no great solution to this parking issue, so please try your best to help us with it. Also, do not park in the Daycare spots – these are meant for parents with young children and babies who are taking their kids to and from the daycare.

School Arrival

Students should not be at school prior to 8:45 in the morning. Exterior doors will remain locked until 8:45AM. If students need to arrive early, we have a Before and After School Program available through Preston Early Learning. In addition, students are asked to proceed directly into the school when they arrive since there is no supervision on the playground prior to 9AM.

If your child/children arrive late, the door they normally enter in will be locked, so please have them enter through the front door and *let the office know they have arrived.*

Attendance and Edsby

Please remember to use Edsby to report all absences and planned absences. If you still have not received an invitation to Edsby, please let the school know. Once you have accepted, you will also see all of our newsletters, calendar of upcoming events and any other important information. This is also where you will be booking your Parent Teacher Conferences as well. We will slowly be phasing out Safe Arrival, so please make sure you have an account through Edsby. If you need any assistance, please contact the school office at 306-659-7850 and we can help you.

Three Way Parent-Teacher- Student Conferences

This year we will be having our conferences virtually again. *The scheduler will open up in Edsby on November 16th at 9 am and close on November 24th at noon. (You need to have an active Edsby account to book through this system.)*

When it's time for parents to schedule an interview with their child(ren)'s teachers, a message will be sent to your Edsby mailbox. Click the envelope in the Navigation Bar to access your mailbox. Open the message and click Book Parent-Teacher Interview. You will see the child(ren)s the interviews apply to and the available time slots for each of your children's teachers. There will be a tab to select between multiple interview days. Edsby enables parents to choose exact time slots they want and enables parents to know in real time if the slots are available. Slots that are already booked and unavailable will be blank. Slots available will be labeled accordingly. Click on the slots to book them. You can also remove your booking or change it to another available time. When you are finished booking, click Done. You will have a summary of your interview schedule in your mailbox. If the interview period has not yet been closed for editing, parents can still make changes to their interview schedule by clicking Making Changes. Parents can also print their interview schedules by clicking File and then Print or by typing Ctrl+P on their keyboard. If you need to change or cancel your time slot after the scheduler has closed, please contact the office at 306-659-7850 and we can help you.

Kindergarten bookings: There is a separate interview scheduler for Kindergartens – so when you are looking to book your K student, please make sure you click on the right schedule. The other one will show no openings for Ms. Charters. Thanks.

Please watch the attached YouTube Video that shows how to book your conferences when it is time: (Opens Nov. 16, 9 am)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qUmJ_xu64

Healthy Hunger Fun Lunches

Here is a list of our upcoming Healthy Hunger Fun Lunches;

- Friday, Nov. 5 – Baba’s Perogies
- Friday, Nov. 19 – Taco Time
- Friday, Dec. 3 – Tim Hortons
- Friday, Dec. 10 – Pizza Hut



Instructions are now posted on our Edsby “River of News”. If you are having any issues, please follow the directions on that form or contact their 1-800 number. All proceeds help pay for many student initiatives as well as special school events and projects.

Friends of Holy Family

A new fundraiser has started. **Mom’s Pantry** is now up and running. The deadline to order is Wednesday, Nov. 10th and delivery of products will be the first week of December, just in time for Christmas. Catalogs were sent home on Tuesday, October 26. If you are in need of more order forms or books, please stop by the office to pick one up. Information can also be found on our River of News in Edsby. Thanks for your help with this.



Virtual Book Fair

November 22 – 28

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5167962>

Kids will be able to view the bookfair at school and parents can order online. Thank you for supporting our school so we can add new books to the library.

First View App

First Student is now offering a secure bus tracking and parent communication app. FirstView helps you better manage your time during the hectic before-and-after school rush by putting your student’s up-to-the-minute bus information in your hands. Easy to download, set up and use, FirstView is packed with helpful features to give you peace of mind, including estimated bus arrival time, opt-in messaging regarding delays and issues, customizable alerts for when the bus is a chosen distance or number of minutes away, secure password protection and built-in customer support. To download the APP, please go to firstviewapp.com. Our school code is **RG7D**. If you have any issues, please contact their customer support.





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Phone: 306-659-5800
www.holyfamilycathedral.ca

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL ANNUAL

Christmas Plant Sale

for The Cathedral of the Holy Family



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ORDERS ACCEPTED TILL NOV. 16 @ 3PM
PICK UP: WED. DEC. 1 - 1:00 TO 6:30PM (AT HFC)

INQUIRIES CAN BE DIRECTED TO
HFCPLANTSALE@GMAIL.COM
OR 306-227-8465





Free! Drop & Shop

6-12 yrs. This holiday season entrust your children with certified leaders who will supervise a number of child-friendly activities including arts and crafts, giving you the opportunity to get away and get your shopping done! Masks are required.


Lakewood Civic Centre 1635 Mckercher Drive • 306-975-2944
 Nov 27 Sa 01:00 PM-04:00 PM CD4627-01
 Dec 18 Sa 01:00 PM-04:00 PM CD4627-04

Lawson Civic Centre 225 Primrose Drive • 306-975-7873
 Dec 4 Sa 01:00 PM-04:00 PM CD4627-02
 Dec 11 Sa 01:00 PM-04:00 PM CD4627-03

Pre-registration is required. Register with Leisure Online at leisureonline.saskatoon.ca or call any Leisure Centre.
 Photo taken prior to COVID-19. Program may be modified.

LEISURE CENTRES
 City of Saskatoon
 COSMO CIVIC CENTRE • HARRY BAILEY AQUATIC CENTRE • LAKEWOOD CIVIC CENTRE
 LAWSON CIVIC CENTRE • SASKATOON FIELD HOUSE • SHAW CENTRE

GIRLS IN MOTION



Get inspired to become a healthier and happier you at Girls in Motion - a FREE day for youth, ages 10 to 14, to enjoy a variety of physical activities under the direction of qualified instructors.

WHO? Youth, Ages 10 to 14

WHEN?
 Friday, November 12, 2021
 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
 * Sign in begins at 8:30 a.m.

WHERE?
 Saskatoon Soccer Centre, 150 Nelson Road

COST? FREE! Lunch & snacks provided.

SESSIONS:

- Zumba
- Cheerleading
- Hoop Dancing
- Self Defence
- Ballet/Jazz
- Yoga

Masks are required.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For more information call 306.975.3378.
 Register online at leisureonline.saskatoon.ca or call or visit any Leisure Centre

City of Saskatoon

TAKING TO THE COURT

Get inspired to become a healthier and happier you at Taking to the Court - a FREE day for youth, ages 10 to 14, to get active, learn technique and improve skills in fustal and box lacrosse.

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WHERE?
 Cosmo Civic Centre
 3130 Laurier Drive

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For more information call 306.975.3378.
 Register online at leisureonline.saskatoon.ca or call or visit any Leisure Centre

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- GOODY BAG
- AND ONE SINGLE GAME TICKET

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