



St. Mary's School

Together we grow in Faith, Hope and Love.

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Christ the Teacher Catholic

School Division #212

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL :

Dear St. Mary's Families,

Welcome to the 2026-27 school year! I hope everyone had a good summer and made many memories to last until next summer. It nice to see our returning families and we want to say a big welcome to our new families! We know this year will be full of fun, friends and learning.

Our staff are excited to start the new year, and we are pleased to welcome new teacher Mr. Aromin who is teaching Grade 4/5, Mr. Tran our caretaker, Mr. Pon our Nutrition Worker and Mrs. Brenzen as E.A.

Congratulations to 2 staff members who celebrate milestones with Christ the Teacher division

* 5 years service awards: Mrs. Grela

*25 years service award: Mrs. Cristo

Our division religious theme this year is "Believe – Rooted in Faith". We are so blessed to partner with your families this year. Let's make it a wonderful, faith-filled school year together!

Mrs. Klemetski



Don't miss school information or upcoming events

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGES FROM THE SCHOOL

Just text YES to 978338

For Canada-Based Numbers:

Opt-In from
your mobile
now!



Just send "Y"
or "Yes" to
978338

IMPORTANT!

Please let the school know if your address, phone number, emergency contact, etc has changed so we can keep our records up-to-date. Additionally, we request all families to have email addresses. If you have not received any information via email this year, please check with the office. We have had some addresses not entered correctly.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The 2026-2027 school calendar is attached to this newsletter. Please look at the calendar to schedule appointments and check-ups on days that the students are not in school.

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Dates to Remember:

Sept.7	Labor Day, NO School
Sept.3-18	Toonies for Terry Fox ice cream sales @noon
Sept.10	Opening mass at 2pm. Everyone welcome!
Sept.15	SCC meeting 4:30pm
Sept.17	Gr 3-8 CTTCS Cross Country Meet at Jaycee Beach
Sept.18	Terry Fox walk at 2:15 pm
Sept.22-24	Gr 7 Overnight Canoe Trip to York Lake
Sept. 25	Saltcoats Cross Country Meet
Sept. 30	Orange Shirt Day
October 23	Picture Day!
Nov.17	Picture Re-Take!



Bus Transportation

St. Mary's students will use Route #3 (Michelle's Bus). Please note that this route is posted on the Christ the

Teacher School Division website.

<https://christtheteacher.ca/ctt/bus-transportation/>
Southland Transportation Ltd. Will be providing bussing services for the school year. If your child hasn't ridden the bus yet, please let the Principal, Mrs. Klemetski know.

Please use the Cross Walk

Thank you to our student volunteers who will keep our crosswalk safe by holding stop signs and directing traffic. If you are crossing Independent Street after school we ask you use the crosswalk and follow the safety patrollers lead.



SCHOOL STAFF PARKING LOT IS STRICTLY FOR SCHOOL STAFF ONLY, Please Park your vehicles along INDEPENDENT Street or the Heritage Church parking lot when picking up your child/ children. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING...

St. Mary's Staff 2026-2027

Principal	Mrs. Klemetski
Pre-K	Ms. Ayers
Kindergarten/Gr 1	Mrs. Senchuk
Grade 2/3	Mrs. Cristo
Grade 3/4	Ms. Pelletier
Grade 4/5	Mr. Aromin
Grade 6/7	Mrs. Falconer
Grade 7/8	Mrs. Buettner
Learning Support	Mr. Stadnyk
Phys Ed /Career Ed	Ms. Vachon
Band	Mrs. Karapita
School Counsellor	Mrs. Solonenko
Nutrition Worker	Mr. Pon
Cultural Coordinator	Ms. Christine Deiter
Educational Assistants	
	Mrs. Niezgoda
	Mrs. Bryksa
	Mrs. Diaz
	Ms. Padolina
	Mr. Nguyen
	Mrs. Matkowski
	Mr. Hung
	Ms. Hiebert
	Mrs. Brenzen
Library Tech/ EA	Mrs. Grela
House Keeping	Mrs. Maljik
	Mr. Tran
Speech Assistant	Mrs. Popowich
Admin.Assistant	Mrs. Dominguez

SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY TIPS

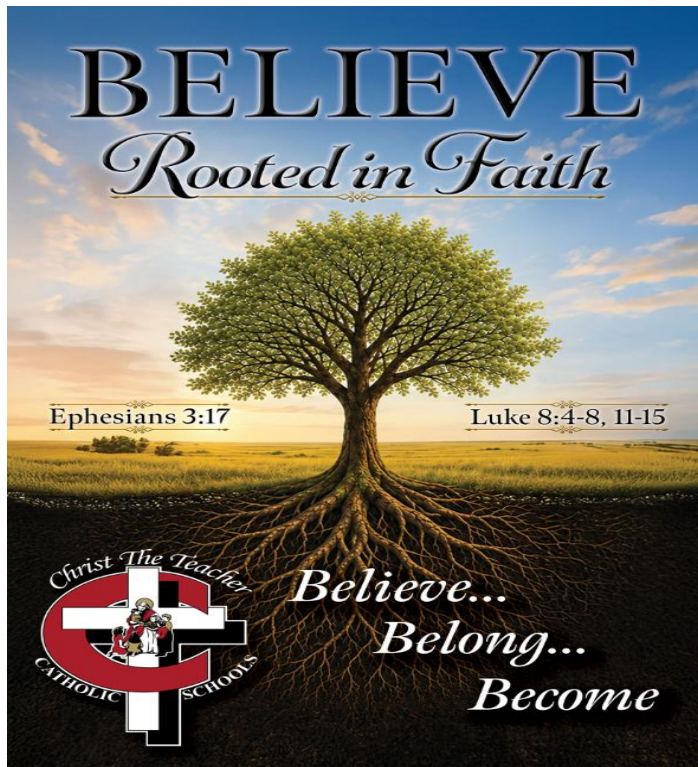
Don't speed! Elementary school and park zone speed limits are 30 km/hr and high school speed limits are 40 km/hr. Zones are in effect from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

School buses carry our kids! Remember that school buses pick up and drop off kids. It's easy to miss a child that runs out from around a large school bus.

Pay attention to school bus arms! A ticket for driving around a school bus when the stop arms are out is \$360 and four demerit points.

City of Yorkton

CTTCS School Year 2026-27 Theme:



St. Gerard's Roman Catholic Church Father Wlified Calinawan

125 – 3rd Avenue North
Phone: 306-782-2449 Fax: 306-782-8566
www.stgerard.ca/ email add:
office@stgerard.ca
Saturday Mass: 5:00 P.M.
Sunday Mass: 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.



St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church Father Basil Malowany, Administrator-Pastor

155 Catherine Street
Phone: 306-783-4594 Fax: 306-782-4214
www.stmarysyorkton.com
Saturday Divine Liturgy: 5:00 P.M. (English)
Sunday Divine Liturgy:
9:00 A.M. (English & Ukrainian)

BENEFITS OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

IN STUDENTS DEVELOPMENT

www.theasianschool.net



ENHANCE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

Extracurricular activities help students in improving their academic performance along with their outlook towards schools in general.

BOOST SELF-CONFIDENCE

The extracurricular activities are an essential factor in growing self-confidence. As a student experiment with their creations or practice for performances, they achieve confidence that they are able to accomplish their goals.



LEARN NEW SKILLS

It is one of the major benefits of extracurricular activities in a student's development. The extracurricular activities allow students to learn something that could stay with them for a lifetime.

BROADER SOCIAL SKILLS

It is a perfect opportunity for them to mix like-minded students in something they all relish. This offers them an opportunity to grow their social skills, meet with new friends, and become more confident.



DEVELOPS THINKING SKILLS

The extracurricular activities also develop the thinking skills in students. When the students revel in rote learning through books only, it gives no place for growing thinking skills.

IMPROVES TIME MANAGEMENT

It is also an essential benefit of extracurricular activities in a student's development. The extracurricular activities also offer students an excellent tool through which they get to learn some vital time management skills.





St. Mary's School



STUDENT UPDATE INFORMATION

For updating school files we ask each FAMILY to complete any information that might have changed since your child's registration and return to the school office.

New families **do not** have to complete this form.

If any information changes throughout the school year please notify the school.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student's Name

Grade

Address of Student(s): _____ Postal Code: _____

The student(s) is living with: ☐ Both Parents ☐ Mom ☐ Dad ☐ Guardian

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____
SURNAME FIRST

Employer: _____ Work Phone: _____

Mother/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone: _____
SURNAME FIRST

Employer: _____ Work Phone: _____

Emergency Contact (other than parent listed above):

_____ Phone: _____

Please indicate any medical/personal information below:

Please return this form to the school office

BAND:

St. Mary's School Nutrition Program

Breakfast

- Breakfast is available to all students between 8:20 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.
- Breakfast pick-up is at the kitchen and is eaten across the hallway

Snack

- Kindergarten to Grade 3 is required to bring a snack from home.
- Grade 4-8 can bring snacks too from home, but it is optional.

Lunch

- Lunch is provided to all students wishing to participate
- A monthly menu is sent out to each student with a return date.
- Select the days your child would like to eat from the menu and return form and payment.
- If certain days are not selected, you must send a lunch with your child.
- Lunches include menu item, fruits, vegetables, cheese, milk and dessert. Selection is based on availability.
- Lunch Monday thru Thursday can be purchased for \$1.00 per day and \$2.00 on Fridays

If you have any questions and concerns, please contact the office.



BAND :

Day 1

Day 4

Thurs. Sept. 17: Gr. 7/8 **Full Band** begins

- Fri. Sept. 18 (7-9 P.M.) **and** Sat. Sept. 19 (9-11:30 A.M): free mandatory **Beginner Band Clinic @ Yorkdale**
- Sat. Sept. 19: 9 AM Band Boosters AGM (**for ALL Band parents**) @ Yorkdale
 - 1-3 PM Gr. 6-8 can sign up for a free lesson @ Yorkdale
- Tues. Sept. 22: Gr **6 Full Band** begins
- Mon. **Oct. 19**: weekly Gr. 5 **Full Band** begins @ Sacred Heart @ 8:00 AM

Please note:

Grade 7 and 8: PAA classes (Practical and Applied Arts) occur on Day 2 of the school calendar. These classes include Information Technology, Cooking & Clothing, and Construction & Carpentry. Students attend one of these classes in each term at Sacred Heart High School from 1 – 3pm. Please contact Mrs. Klemetski or Ms. Sterzuk at SHHS if you need to contact or pick up your child during this class time.

Back To School Wellness Tips:



Sleep & Routines

- **Shift bedtimes early:** Move bedtime back by 15 minutes each night starting two weeks before school.
- **Limit screen time:** Turn off phones, tablets, and TVs one hour before bed for better rest.
- **Prep the night before:** Lay out clothes and pack backpacks ahead of time to cut morning stress.

Nutrition & Energy

- **Power up with breakfast:** St. Mary's School is offering free breakfast for students from 8:30-8:45 daily, go and eat your breakfast.
- **Pack smart snacks:** Keep fresh fruit, cheese sticks, or nuts ready for quick grab-and-go eating.
- **Stay hydrated:** send a reusable water bottle to school and encourage regular sips all day.

Mental Wellness & Movement

- **Talk about feelings:** Ask open questions about how your child feels, not just about their grades.
- **Move every day:** Aim for 60 minutes of active play, family walks, or bike rides.
- **Take deep breaths:** Practice a quick one-minute breathing break after coming home from school.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

St. Mary's School Community Council (SCC) is elected annually from parents and guardians of students enrolled in school, as well as from Catholic electors residing in St. Mary's School attendance area. The SCC serves as an important link between parents, communities, and the boards of education.

The SCC provides insight into the needs and expectations of families and supports the important work of improving Student Learning. The SCC plans and implements school family events, which help create strong relationships between families, staff, and students. All parents and guardians are encouraged to support the SCC by attending meeting or family events.

St. Mary's SCC would welcome new members to their meeting on Tuesday Sept. 15 at 5pm in the school library.

SMS Text Opt-In



Parents and Guardians

You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number:

For CANADA-BASED numbers: 978338

For US-BASED numbers: 61569 (see next page for QR code)

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the [Student Privacy Pledge™](#) so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



*if your number is Canada-based.

For Canada-Based Numbers:

Opt-In from
your mobile
now!



Just send "Y"
or "Yes" to
978338

DREAM BROKER NEWS

Dream Brokers help eligible Yorkton families access activities for youth: including sports, arts, recreation, and more.

We can help with:

- Registration and activity fees
- Forms and sign-up support
- Finding local programs
- Connections to free sports equipment through Yorkton Sports Bank



HOW TO GET STARTED

- 1 Ask Your School:**
Request a referral form from your school.
- 2 Contact your Dream Broker:**
Call or email to see if you qualify for support.

Dream Broker Income Guide

Family Size	Income Before Taxes
2 people	\$47,000
3 people	\$54,000
4 people	\$65,000
5 people	\$74,000
6 people	\$83,000
7 or more people	\$93,000

Not sure if you qualify? Contact your local Dream Broker

Janine Nelson
☎ 306-828-2401
✉ jnelson@yorkton.ca

DID YOU KNOW?

Yorkton Sports Bank offers free new and used sports equipment to Yorkton children and families, supporting young athletes. Visits require an appointment; call or email your Dream Broker. Donate unused equipment in the bins located at the Gallagher Centre, BGC, and Gloria Hayden Community Centre.





Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools
Believe... Belong... Become

September 2, 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The safety of our children is of top priority for all of us. We, the Good Spirit School Division (GSSD) and Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools (CTTCS), are involved in intensive safety training with our community partners. Together, we developed a plan for responding to high-risk behaviours. High-risk behaviours include, but are not limited to, possession of weapons, bomb threats and threats to injure oneself or others.

This letter is to inform you that GSSD/CTTCS school systems have a policy that requires principals to initiate a "threat assessment" in all cases of students displaying any type of high-risk behaviour. Should you wish to review the "Administrative Procedure 165: Safe Schools" or "Administrative Procedure 354: Threat Assessment", please visit our websites at either www.gssd.ca or www.christtheteacher.ca. The purpose of these assessments is to determine how best to support high-risk students so that their behaviour does not become hurtful or destructive. If your child comes home and tells you that a student has behaved in a threatening way at school, please advise your principal and be assured that your principal will be taking measures to deal with the situation in a positive and proactive manner. If your principal invites you to a meeting to discuss safety concerns about your own child, please be assured that the procedure is being followed and that the primary goal is safety, not punishment.

This letter is intended to serve our community with fair notice that we, as school communities, will not accept "no response" to a serious threat. Our goal is to respond to all threats in a professional manner that provides for a healthy and caring learning environment.

We are pleased to provide, in conjunction with our community partners, a safe environment for all of our students.

Sincerely,


Quintin Robertson
Director of Education



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Scan the QR code to view a comprehensive video
on how we respond to high-risk behaviour

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2026-2027 School Calendar

2026 AUGUST / SEPTEMBER						
	24	25	26	27	28	
			Inservice	Inservice	Inservice	
	31	1	2	3	4	
	Inservice	Inservice	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
	Labour Day	8	9	10	11	
		Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	28	29	30			
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2			

2026 OCTOBER						
			1	2		
			Day 3	Day 4		
	5	6	7	8	9	
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Inservice	
	12	13	14	15	16	
	Thanksgiving	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	19	20	21	22	23	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	26	27	28	29	30	
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	

2026 NOVEMBER						
	2	3	4	5	6	
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
	9	10	11	12	13	
	Day 4	Day 5	Remembrance Day	Day 6	Day 1	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	23	24	25	26	27	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	30					
	Day 6					

2026 DECEMBER						
		1	2	3	4	
		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	
	7	8	9	10	11	
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	Christmas Holidays					
	28	29	30	31		
	Christmas Holidays					

2027 JANUARY						
					1	
					Holidays	
	4	5	6	7	8	
	Inservice	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	11	12	13	14	15	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	18	19	20	21	22	
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	
	25	26	27	28	29	
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Admin	

2027 FEBRUARY						
	1	2	3	4	5	
	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	
	8	9	10	11	12	
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	Family Day	Winter Break				
	22	23	24	25	26	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	

2027 MARCH						
	1	2	3	4	5	
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	
	8	9	10	11	12	
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	
	22	23	24	25	26	
	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Good Friday	
	29	30	31			
	Easter Holidays					

2027 APRIL						
				1	2	
				Easter Holidays		
	5	6	7	8	9	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	12	13	14	15	16	
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	
	19	20	21	22	23	
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
	26	27	28	29	30	
	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	

2027 MAY						
	3	4	5	6	7	
	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	
	10	11	12	13	14	
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	17	18	19	20	21	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	Victoria Day	Inservice / Tchr. Con.	26	27	28	
			Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	
	31					
	Day 3					

2027 JUNE						
		1	2	3	4	
		Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	
	7	8	9	10	11	
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	
	28	29				
	Admin	Admin				

Student Instructional Day
 Holidays - Schools Closed

Inservice / Admin Day - No Classes for Students