St. Alphonsus School

Newsletter

November 2026

Issue #12

Dear Families,

As we welcome November, we are reminded that this is a time for reflection, gratitude, and remembrance. On All Souls' Day, we remember and pray for loved ones who have passed away, keeping them close in our hearts and trusting in God's promise of eternal life. On Remembrance Day, we pause to honour those who have served and sacrificed for our country. May we continue to teach our students the importance of gratitude, peace, and remembering those who came before us. Lest we forget.

We also celebrate the end of another exciting volleyball season! Congratulations to all our athletes and coaches for their hard work, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Thank you for representing our school with pride!

Looking ahead, we are excited for our upcoming Student-Led Conferences. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to share their learning, celebrate accomplishments, and reflect on their goals with their families. We look forward to welcoming you into our school!

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership. May we continue to live out our Catholic faith through kindness, compassion, and care for one another.

Wishing everyone a wonderful November!

Blessings,

Mr. M. Cristo, Principal

Mr. Q. Haider, Vice-Principal

Calendar of Events

November 2	All Souls' Day Mass @ St. Gerard's Church (9:30 a.m.)
November 3	Girls Volleyball Game @ St. Paul's (3:30-5:00 p.m.)
November 4	Grade 4 & 7 Harvest Showdown Trip
November 5	Remembrance Day Service (1:00 p.m..)
November 9	Boys Volleyball Game v. MC Knoll (3:30-5:00 p.m.)
November 10	Girls Volleyball Game v. St. Michael's (3:30-5:00 p.m.)
November 11	Remembrance Day - NO SCHOOL
November 17	Rockin Mental Health Clan (3:45-5:00 p.m.)
November 17-19	Boys Volleyball Tournament
November 20	National Children's Day Picture Retakes Progress Reports Provincial Girls Volleyball Tournament
November 23	Madison Cameron Grade 7/8 Presentation (12:30-2:00 p.m.)
November 24	Madison Cameron Presentation Girls Volleyball Tournament Student Led Conferences (3:30-6:30 p.m.)
November 25	Girls Volleyball Tournament Student Led Conferences (3:30-6:30 p.m.)
November 26	Girls Volleyball Tournament
November 27	Provincial Boys Volleyball Tournament
November 30	Advent Week One

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Curriculum-aligned, real-time workshops led by STEM experts

Who we are:
A Canadian charity sparking curiosity in STEM since 1989.

What we deliver:
Hands-on English and French workshops for your students.

How it works:
A STEM expert presenter joins your class for 60 to 90 minutes of discovery, exploration and fun. Materials are provided.





Band News

- Grade 6-8 Band students will play for the Remembrance Day service on Thursday, November 5th.
- If you ordered chocolates, remember that your $100 is due on Friday, November 13th.
- Nov. 23-27: If you want a Student-Led Conference for Band between November 23-27, email colette.karapita@cttcs.ca
- The Band Christmas Concert is on Tuesday, December 15th from 7-8:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart High School. Students will help set up the stage after school.

Scientists in School

Our students have been blessed by fun and exciting workshops brought to us by Scientists in School! The Grade 7/8 class had fun with an educational, hands-on, live lesson titled Go with the Flow. The lesson held on October 19th was all about fluid density, buoyancy, and compressibility.

Grade 6/7 students will get to take part in a live lesson on November 5th titled Engineer It - Up, Out and Across.

St. Alphonsus Classroom Spotlight: Grade 3/4

Students Take Center Stage in Community Art Project

A local classroom is celebrating creativity, diversity, and community connection this fall. In September, the Grade 3/4 students from St. Alphonsus School participated in a city-wide art initiative hosted by the Godfrey Dean Art Gallery, culminating in a special field trip in October to view their work on public display.

Prior to their visit to the gallery, the students took part in a unique art assignment: creating a self-portrait or "selfie" designed to express their individuality and celebrate their unique backgrounds.

Upon arriving at the Godfrey Dean Art Gallery, the students explored the display and experienced the city's vibrant creative culture. The highlight of the trip came when the students discovered their own "selfies" featured alongside artwork from across the community, forming a massive public art installation.

While engaging with the curator and hunting for their personal creations within the gallery display, the students were treated to a fun surprise: discovering that the gallery curator is related to St. Alphonsus's own Grade 2/3 teacher, Mrs. Shewchuk!

The project was a resounding success, offering students a hands-on connection to the local art scene and a sense of pride in seeing their artwork shared with the public.

Congratulations to all the St. Alphonsus students who took part in this remarkable community project!

Important Dates

November 2 - Science in the Schools "Wetlands Wonders" Presentation

November 3 - Grade 4 Bible Presentation with Father Basil at 1:00

November 4 - Harvest Showdown

November 24 - Science in the Schools Soil and Plant Workshop

Please watch for spelling words for your students coming out weekly!




EXPRESS YOUR

















Angels in Picture!

We Scare Hunger!



Thanks so much to our St. Alphonsus Angels, who donated nearly 350 items to the Royal Auto "We Scare Hunger" Campaign! All of our food donations were given to the Soup Haven, and will be shared with people in need in our city. Thank you as well to Royal Ford, who donated $200 in the spirit of giving to our school's nutrition program!

Well done Angels!

St. Al's Clothing Order Due Nov. 3/26

Clothing Order

St. Alphonsus School is excited to announce our school clothing order is back through A Winters Day Designs!

New this year, we will be completing orders through an online shop. To order, please scan the QR code or go online at bit.ly/stalsmerch. Once online, choose any items you like and add them to your cart.

When you are ready to complete your order, select local pick up to have the order dropped off at the school. Secure credit card payment, e-transfer, and Paypal options are available.

Orders will close on November 3, 2026. Make sure to order to help fund school activities and show off your Angel style!





A Winters Day Designs

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The best way to preview Sacred Heart High School and meet other students who want to attend SHHS is to join the Future Saints program. Students in pre-Kindergarten to Grade 8 are welcome to join the Future Saints program. Students will receive:

- A special membership card
- A schedule of events (printable)
- A Christmas card
- Invitations to other special school events & athletics
- On free ticket to the fall musical or spring drama
- Students new to the Future Saints program will receive a free SHHS item (toque/scarf)

Grade 8 students will also receive:

- Invitations to school information nights (in person or virtual)
- Saint for a Day information
- Invitations to special Grade 8 events

Please call 1-306-783-3128 for more information. To join the program, fill out the form below or register at https://sacredheart.christtheteacher.ca/future-saints

Future Saints Registration Form

Student Name _____

Current Grade _____ **Current School** _____

Parent/guardian 1: _____

Parent/guardian 2: _____

Address _____

City _____ **Province** _____

Postal Code _____

Email Address _____

Return this form to your CTTCS Elementary School Office or mail to 280 Gladstone Ave N., Yorkton, SK S3N 2A8 or mail to 280 Gladstone Ave N., Yorkton, SK S3N 2A8

DREAM BROKER NEWSLETTER

FALL & WINTER ACTIVITIES

Need affordable activities to keep your child active, creative, and connected this fall and winter?

Did you know - Dream Broker programs are **FREE** for students attending Columbia, Dr. Brass, St. Alphonsus, or St. Mary's Schools whose families are facing financial barriers.

Family size	2	3	4	5	6	7+
Family income before taxes	$ 47,000.00	$ 54,000.00	$ 65,000.00	$ 74,000.00	$ 83,000.00	$ 93,000.00

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

METIS BEADING WORKSHOP

PRE-REGISTER | ONLY 5 SPOTS LEFT

Thursdays | Oct 22 - Nov 26
4:30-5:30 p.m. | St Mary's School | Ages 10+

Learn the art of Metis beading with Taylor Ferland and create colorful beaded creations.



FUN MOVEMENT CLASS

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

Wednesdays | Nov 4, 18, 25, Dec 2, 16
6:00-7:00 p.m. | St. Alphonsus School Gym

Get the whole family active, build confidence, and have fun through games, teamwork, cardio, and more. All ages welcome to join.



REGISTER EARLY - SPACE IS LIMITED!

Janine Nelson - District Dream Broker at 306.828.2401 or jnelson@yorkton.ca

Intriguing Minds: Parents & Children Together

IMPACT

Little Fall Adventures

DISCOVER FALL ON THE FARM

A hands-on family event for children ages 3 – 5 and their caregivers!

Play Explore Learn Together!



A 1.5-HOUR GUIDED FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENT

For children ages 3 – 5 and their parent or caregiver.
Perfect for children who are not yet in Kindergarten!

Movement, Music and Storytime

Then breakout to various stations to enjoy hands-on experiences!

EXPLORE BUILD CREATE

WHO CAN ATTEND?

- Nursery schools
- Preschools
- Pre-K programs
- Homeschools

★ Daycares are also welcome when a parent, grandparent or another adult attends with the child.

A FUN FAMILY EXPERIENCE

Families will enjoy fall and farm-inspired activities, including exploring, building, creating, discovering, movement and music, and special make-and-take creations!

Scan QR to register

St. Alphonsus School Gym
This is Christ the Teacher Catholic School Division families.
Monday, November 23, 2026 @ 10:30-12:00pm

Designed and delivered by
Mobile Early Learning – East Central

REGISTRATION OPEN!

YORKTON STORM SWIM CLUB

STORM SWIMMING

Offering recreational and competitive swim programming for youth ages 5 - 18

WHY SPEED SWIM?

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

- Low-impact, full-body workout that improves strength and cardio fitness
- Best of both worlds! Kids build self-discipline and individual goal-setting in a fun and supportive team environment
- Experienced coaching staff, delivering inclusive programming, grounded in the Long-Term Athlete Development model



JOIN NOW

yorktonstormswimclub.com

Dream Brokers

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Connecting Inner City Children & Youth

MOVEMENT CLASS

WITH JOANNE FOURIE





Nov 4, 18, 25, Dec 2, 16
Wednesdays | 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
St. Alphonsus School Gym
81 Henderson St E

Discover the joy of movement in a fun and supportive atmosphere. Class includes warm ups, cardio, strength training, games, teamwork and a cool down.

This program is free for students from Columbia, Dr. Brass, St. Al's, or St. Mary's Schools who are facing financial barriers.



For more Info or to register
Contact the District Dream Broker Janine at 306-828-2401 or jnelson@yorkton.ca



St. Michael's Camp

Benito Subdivision, Madge Lake

All you can eat

Perogy Supper Fundraiser

Sunday November 1st, 2026

4:00pm – 7:00 pm SK Time

Adults – $25.00
Age 12 & under - $15.00

Menu Includes
All You Can Eat
Perogies
Sausage
Coleslaw
Dessert
Beverage

Cash and Cheque Accepted
Donations gladly accepted
50/50 Draw

All proceeds going to St. Michael's Camp Program



Become a Positive Parenting Partner

2026-2027

Supporting families. Empowering educators. Strengthening communities.

HOW:

- ✓ Referrals & Self-referrals
- ✓ Host Parent/Caregiver Workshops or Sessions.
- ✓ School & Community Events
- ✓ Professional Learning for Staff
- ✓ Share Our Programs & Promote Triple P

WHY:

- ✓ Customized Topics Based on Your Needs
- ✓ Flexible In-person or Virtual Delivery
- ✓ Scheduling Options That Work For Families & Staff
- ✓ Research-based Information
- ✓ Quality Resources and Take-home Materials
- ✓ FREE

Popular Topics Include: Helping Children Cope With **Anxiety**, Truancy, **ADHD**, Coping With **Frustration**, Bullying, Healthy **Screen time** Habits, Self-Esteem, our Stepping Stones program to support kids with disabilities or diagnoses and more.

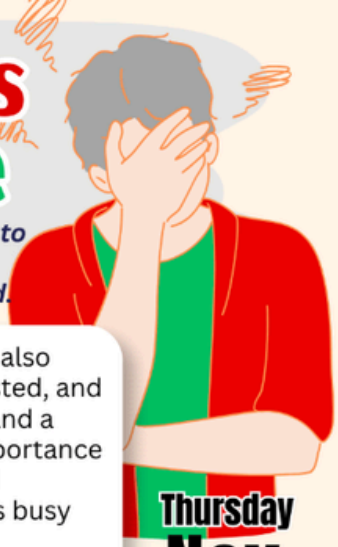
Contact us to learn more about bringing our services to your school/community.

306-621-3084 www.signyorkton.ca triplep@signyorkton.ca

Society for the Involvement of Good Neighbours

Triple P Positive Parenting Program

Holiday stress and self-care



Take time for yourself and learn how to navigate the holidays with greater balance, intention and peace of mind.

The holiday season can be joyful, but also leave us feeling overwhelmed, exhausted, and stretched beyond our limits. Join us and a counsellor for a discussion on the importance of slowing down, planning ahead, and prioritizing your well-being during this busy time of year.

We will discuss...

- ✅ **Practical self-care strategies**
- ✅ **Tips for managing holiday stress**
- ✅ **Creating balance and healthy boundaries**
- ✅ **Enjoying the season without burnout.**

Thursday
Nov. 12
6 - 7:30 PM

Triple P Learning Centre at SIGN on Broadway
345 Broadway St. W.

Register by Nov. 9 at signyorkton.ca/register or text 306-621-3084.
Free limited childminding for kids under 10 available.

Society for the Involvement of Good Neighbours | Triple P Positive Parenting Program | Society for the Involvement of Good Neighbours RAPID ACCESS COUNSELLING

Stepping Stones Support Group

Society for the Involvement of Good Neighbours | Triple P Positive Parenting Program

Each month we'll talk about some of the challenges that can come with raising a child with a disability or diagnosis. Together, we'll share experiences, learn practical strategies, and support each other in a safe and welcoming space.

October 27
6 to 7:30 pm
This session's topic:
Language & communication

Future sessions:

- **Nov. 24: Being part of the community**
- **Dec. 15: Self-care**
- **Jan. 26: Fear and anxiety**
- **Feb. 24: Family adaptation**

You may attend any or all sessions.

All group meetings take place at
Triple P Early Learning Centre
at SIGN on Broadway
Entrance off main parking lot
Childminding available for children under 10.
Register for this session by Oct. 26 at signyorkton.ca/register or call/text 306-621-3084





November 18 from 6 to 8 PM
for parents/caregivers of tweens and teens

Join us for a conversation, support and tools to help you navigate the teen years with confidence.

- **Better understand teen emotions;**
- **Learn practical parenting strategies;**
- **Build confidence to navigate challenges;**
- **Connect with other parents and caregivers.**

Attendance is limited. Register no later than Nov. 13 online at signyorkton.ca/register or text/call 306-621-3084

Society for the Involvement of Good Neighbours | Triple P Positive Parenting Program

NOVEMBER 2026 Middle Year Calendar

Check out our website: www.bgcyorkton.ca
Check out our Facebook: @BGCYorkton
Check out our Instagram: @bgcyorkton

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 After-School Program	3 After-School Program Learn-To-Cook Baked Mac & Cheese Cups	4 After-School Program Arts & Crafts Program Remembrance Day Stained Glass	5 After-School Program MY BGC Battleship & Protect The Castle!	6 After-School Program Columbia Gym Night	7
8	9 After-School Program	10 After-School Program Learn-To-Cook Sausage Hashbrown Bites	11 Remembrance Day *BGC Yorkton Office & Programs are closed*	12 After-School Program MY BGC Volleyball	13 After-School Program Columbia Gym Night	14
15	16 After-School Program	17 After-School Program Learn-To-Cook Soft Pretzel Bites	18 After-School Program Arts & Crafts Program Duct Tape Pouches	19 After-School Program MY BGC Kids Choice Night	20 After-School Program Columbia Gym Night	21
22	23 After-School Program Family Night Pre-registration required *Holiday Craft!*	24 After-School Program Learn-To-Cook Homemade Pizza Pockets	25 After-School Program Arts & Crafts Program Christmas Wreaths	26 After-School Program MY BGC Night at the Museum	27 After-School Program Columbia Gym Night	28
29 	30 After-School Program	All children & youth taking part in any BGC Yorkton Program must have all registration & membership forms completed and turned in!		BGCY Middle Years Programs are for children & youth in Kindergarten through age 12!		

NOVEMBER 2026 TEEN CALENDAR

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Check out our website: www.bgcyorkton.ca
Check out our Facebook: @BGCYorkton
Check out our Instagram: @bgcyorkton

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Teen Program	3 Teen Program Carnival Night!	4 Teen Program Art Night!	5 Teen Program Learn-to-Cook Night! Homemade Hamburger Helper	6 Teen Program	7
8	9 Teen Program	10 Teen Program	11 Remembrance Day *BGC Yorkton Office & Programs closed!*	12 Teen Program *Teen closed at 6:15 pm* Gym Night 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm Dr. Brass School Gym	13 Teen Program Learn-to-Cook Night! Creamy Garlic Pasta	14
15	16 Teen Program Neon Night!	17 Teen Program Movie Night!	18 Teen Program	19 Teen Program Learn-to-Cook Night! Chicken Quesadillas	20 Teen Program Art Night!	21
22	23 Teen Program Learn-to-Bake Night! Beef & Bean Taco Pasta	24 Teen Program Minute To Win It!	25 Teen Program Art Night! Air Dry Clay	26 Teen Program Art Night! Air Dry Clay	27 Teen Program	28
29	30 Teen Program	This calendar showcases our regular program info for teens and includes special highlights of program activities!			BGCY Teen Programs are for youth age 12 through 18!	

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PROGRAM INFO

After-School Program – this program provides children and youth in Kindergarten through age 12 with educational support, physical activity, nutrition, arts & crafts, culture and recreation. The program runs from 3:15 pm to 5:30 pm on all school days during the 2025-2026 School Year. Program is located at 78 First Avenue North in the upstairs unit.

Learn-To-Cook Program - this drop-in program offers children and youth in Kindergarten through age 12 hands-on opportunities to learn and grow their cooking, nutrition and kitchen skills. This program runs Tuesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Program is located at 78 First Avenue North in the basement unit.

Arts & Crafts Program – this program allows children and youth in Kindergarten through age 12 with instructed art activities and craft projects using a variety of mediums! This program runs Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Program is located at 78 First Avenue North in the upstairs unit.

MY BGC– this program provides children and youth with opportunities to connect with Club staff while taking part in engaging initiatives and physical activity! MY BGC runs Thursdays from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm, with doors only open from 6:15 pm to 6:30 pm. Children in Kindergarten through age 12 can join the fun! Participants need to bring indoor shoes and a water bottle. Program is held at St. Al's School.

Columbia Gym Night - this drop-in program runs at Columbia School in the gymnasium for children and youth in Kindergarten through age 12. The program runs from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm, with doors only open from 6:15 - 6:30 pm. Children should bring a water bottle and indoor shoes and be ready to play a variety of games and sports!

Community Initiatives Fund

Government of Saskatchewan

SASK LOTTERIES

Did you know you can make donations to support these programs? Sign up from monthly donations on our website or make a one time donation at our Club Office (54 C Smith St W). All monetary donations receive a tax receipt!



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PROGRAM INFO

Teen Program – this program provides youth ages 12 to 18 with a safe, welcoming space to take part in engaging activities. We provide homework support if required, and opportunities for recreation, physical activity, nutrition, arts & crafts, culture, life skills, and teambuilding. Our teen centre opportunities are youth-driven! Our teen programming area houses a tech centre, gaming area, lounging areas, full kitchen, and supplies for creativity. The Teen Program is open Monday through Friday from 3:30 pm to 8:00 pm. It is located at 78 First Avenue North in the basement unit! This calendar shows program highlights of special activities.

Gym Night - Dr. Brass School has generously let us use their school gym monthly for a teen gym night program from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Please see the monthly calendar for dates. Youth are encouraged to bring a water bottle and indoor shoes. The doors will only be unlocked for the first five minutes of the program. On Gym Night Days the Teen Programs at the First Ave location will close promptly at 6:15 pm.

Clothes for Bros – Clothes for Bros is a free youth closet! Youth up to the age of 18 can come shop the closet for free and pick out some great clothes and accessories. We stock men's and ladies' clothing and hygiene items. Clothes for Bros is a great way to be green & kind to the environment and it's also budget friendly! Youth must be in attendance to take items. We do accept donations of youth appropriate, gently used or new clothes and accessories and new, sealed hygiene items. Clothing donations must be clean, laundered and in good condition. Donations can be dropped off during office or program hours at 78 First Avenue North.



Did you know we run the Learn On Program in Dreambuilders High School!? Weekly Amanda supports the youth in the program with life skill development, growth and educational supports!

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