



Dear Students, Families, and Staff,
Welcome back to another school year! I am so excited to see our school community together again and to begin what I know will be a fantastic year.

A special welcome to all of our new students, families, and staff. We are so happy to have you join our school family, and we hope you quickly feel right at home.

Thank you to all of our families who came out for our Welcome Back and Unpack Night. It was wonderful to see such a great turnout and to have the opportunity to connect with everyone as we begin the year. A big thank you as well to our School Community Council for your continued support and for all you do to make our school a great place for our students.

We already have lots of exciting things happening! Cross country, volleyball, and Environment Club are getting started, and we are looking forward to our canoe trip in September. These activities are such a great way for our students to try new things, build friendships, and create lasting memories.

As we begin another year together, I am reminded of what makes our school so special. We are a community built on faith, kindness, service, and caring for one another. I look forward to seeing our students grow, learn, and share their many gifts throughout the year.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. I am looking forward to a year filled with learning, laughter, friendship, faith, and fun!

Welcome back, everyone. Let's make it a great year!

God bless and take care.

Mr. M. Cristo,
Principal

Mr. Q. Haider,
Vice-Principal



Calendar of Events

September 10	Youth Safety Education Day
September 11	Hat Day
September 15	Music Education Day
September 17	CTTCS Cross Country Meet Grade 7/8 Full Band (8:00 a.m.)
September 18	Gum Day Beginner Band Clinic @ Yorkdale (7:00-9:00 p.m.)
September 19	Beginner Band Clinic @ Yorkdale (9:00-11:30 a.m.)
September 22	Grade 6 Full Band (8:00 a.m.)
September 22-24	Grade 7 Canoe Trip
September 25	Terry Fox Walk

Terry Fox Fundraising

On each of the remaining Fridays in September, St. Alphonsus School is proud to be supporting the Terry Fox Fundraising Campaign. On Sept. 11th, students who bring a one dollar donation will be allowed to wear hats during class. And, students who bring gum and a one dollar donation will be allowed to chew gum on Sept. 18th. Our entire school will take part in a Terry Fox Walk on Sept. 25th.



2026-2027 Staff

Pre-K
Gr. K/1
Gr. 2/3
Gr. 3/4
Gr. 5/6
Gr. 6/7
Gr. 7/8
Gr 6/7-7/8
Student Support Services Teacher
Response Service Teacher
Band
School Counsellor
Administrative Assistant
Library Technician
Caretaker
Mental Health Capacity/Building Coordinator
Vice Principal
Principal

Ms. Semchuk/Mrs. Rayner
Ms. Elashuk
Mrs. Shewchuk
Ms. Dales
Mrs. Kresowaty
Mrs. Angove
Mr. Haider
Mrs. Meyers
Mrs. Toews
Mrs. Drosky
Mrs. Karapita
Mr. Wasylyniuk
Miss Kirschman
Mrs. Bleau
Mrs. Kovalik
Mrs. DeVos
Mr. Haider
Mr. Cristo

Educational Assistants

Mr. Anderson
Mrs. Balabuk
Mrs. Bleau
Mrs. Garcia

Mrs. Dobko

Mrs. Gillis

Mrs. Harvey

Mrs. Hayes

Mrs. Bouchard

Mrs. Derbowka

Mr. VanKoughnett

Mrs. Wolfe



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.

From the MHCB

Hello and welcome to the 2026-2027 school year!

As the Mental Health Capacity Building (MHCB) Coordinator, my role is to help support the mental health and well-being of our students, families and school community.

This year, we will focus on three key areas:

Family Engagement

Creating opportunities for families to connect, participate and share their ideas, skills, and interests with our school community.

Community Connections

Working with local organizations and community members to create meaningful opportunities for students to connect, contribute and make a difference.

Social-Emotional Learning

Providing students and families with fun, age-appropriate activities that build skills such as self-regulation, understanding emotions, empathy, coping, resilience, and positive relationships.

My goal is to help create a school community where every child feels safe, connected, supported, and valued.

Together, we can build a mentally healthy school community!

Ms. Jamie De Vos

MHCB Coordinator



Do you have a



SKILL, HOBBY, or INTEREST



you'd like to

SHARE?



St. Alphonsus is a community
full of amazing people with
talents and passions!

Whether you love to **teach, create,**
build, bake, move, play,
craft, or have a special
knowledge to share—

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!



Your gift could
inspire, enrich,
and bring our
St. Alphonsus
families closer
together!



INTERESTED?

Reach out to

Ms. De Vos



devoj01@cttcs.ca



Thank you for helping make our community
stronger, kinder and more connected!



Parent/Teacher Communication

Some teachers have noticed that their e-mails to families have been going into junk mail. Please check your junk mail and other spam folders to ensure e-mails from your child's teacher are going to the correct place. Thank you!

Bus Transportation

Southland Transportation LTD is the busing provider to CTCS. The bus schedule is posted on our website at:

<https://www.christtheteacher.ca/bus-transportation-1718307424609>

Band News

Grade 7/8 Full Band will begin on Thursday, September 17th! Grade 6 will start on September 22nd and Grade 5 will start on October 19th.

- There will be a free mandatory Beginner Band Clinic at Yorkdale on Friday, September 18th (7:00-9:00 p.m.) and Saturday, September 19th (9:00-11:30 a.m.)
- The Band Boosters AGM will be held September 19th at 9:00 a.m. at Yorkdale.
- Also on September 19th, Grade 6-8 students can sign up for free lessons at Yorkdale.
- For band fees, a reminder that Grade 5 pays \$50 (\$20 to BB, \$15 for book, \$15 for shirt), Grade 6 pays \$95 (\$60 for band program, \$15 for shirt) and Grade 7/8 pays \$120 (\$20 to BB, \$60 for band program, \$40 for shirt).



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.

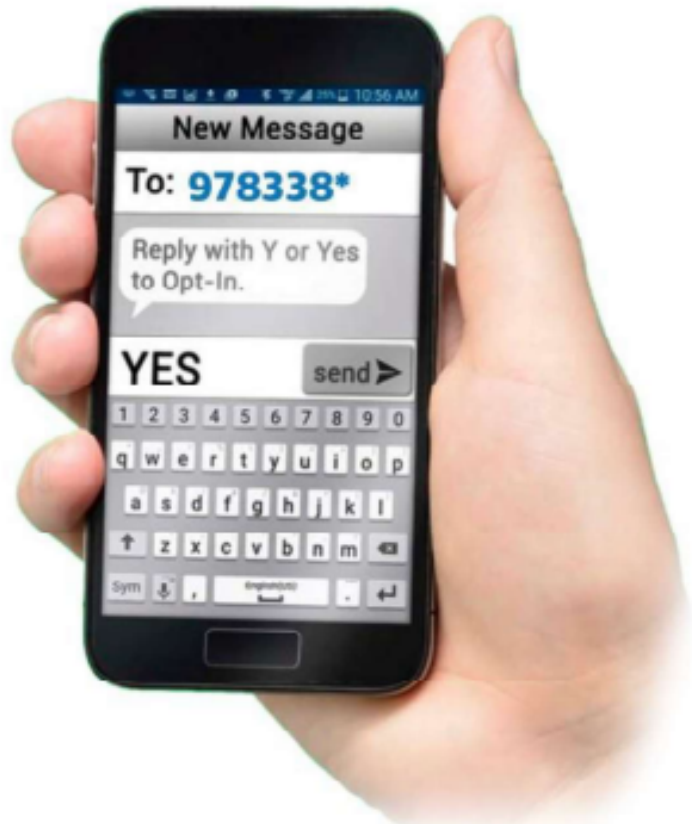
You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number:

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



Before-School and After-School Programs!

Our breakfast program has now extended to start at 8:00 a.m. Students can attend the breakfast program starting at that time.

After school, families can access the Boys and Girls Club if they wish. Our bus can take students to the Boys and Girls Club, which runs until 5:30 p.m.

Families can register for the club free of charge by calling 306-783-2582.

Attendance Reminders

If your child will be absent for any school days, please contact the office through one of the following options:

Phone: (306) 783-4121

Text message: (306) 641-9901

E-mail: saint.alphonsus@cttcs.ca



Contact Us



81 Henderson Street East
Yorkton, SK S3N 0A8



<http://stalphonsus.christtheteacher.ca>



saint.alphonsus@cttcs.ca
Michael.cristo@cttcs.ca



(306)-783-4121
Fax: (306)-782-3077



Help Nourish OUR STUDENTS!

Please consider making a
FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION
to the St. Alphonsus School Nutrition Program

At St. Alphonsus School (180 students),
we believe that good nutrition fuels
learning, well-being, and success.



HEALTHY BREAKFAST

We provide a healthy
breakfast to over
50 STUDENTS
each morning.



AFTERNOON SNACK

We provide a school-wide
healthy, nutritious
afternoon snack
for all students.



*Every contribution—big or small—helps ensure
our students are nourished, focused, and ready to learn!*



*Your support makes
a real difference!*



♥ TO DONATE:



Call Jamie De Vos
at the school
306-783-4121

OR



Email Jamie De Vos
at
devoj01@cttcs.ca

Thank you for helping us fuel bright futures! ♥

School Calendar

The following page displays the 2026-27 school calendar.

For Pre-K Students: students attend Tuesday to Friday at either 8:50-11:30 a.m. or 12:30-3:10 p.m.

Kindergarten Students: students attend every Day 2, 4, and 6 on the school calendar.

Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools

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 / Tch. 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	30			
	Admin	Holidays				

 Student Instructional Day

 Holidays - Schools Closed

 Inservice / Admin Day - No Classes for Students

Sacrament Preparation

If you have a child who is entering Grade 2 in September, or older children who have not received First Reconciliation, Confirmation, or First Holy Communion, e-mail St. Gerard's Church to register your child: office@stgerard.ca.

St. Gerard Roman Catholic Parish First Reconciliation, Confirmation & First Eucharist Preparation 2026-2027

Child's Information

Full legal name			
☐ M ☐ F	First	Middle	Last
Home Address			
	Street	City	PC
Date of Birth	Place of Birth		
mm/dd/yy	Town/City	Prov/Cntry	
School	Grade		
Please ✓ the sacraments your child has ALREADY received:			
Baptism	☐	Parish Name:	
First Reconciliation	☐	Parish Name:	
First Holy Eucharist	☐	Parish Name:	
Confirmation/Chrismation	☐	Parish Name:	

Parent(s)' Information

MOTHER Full legal name & Maiden Name (last name at Mother's birth)			
First	Middle	Last	Maiden
Mother's Baptism	Baptised Catholic ☐	Baptised Other Christian ☐	Not Baptised ☐
If Mother's Baptism is "Other Christian", Specify _____			
Home Address <i>(if different from child's)</i>			
	Street	City	PC
Telephone	Email		
FATHER Full legal name			
First	Middle	Last	
Father's Baptism	Baptised Catholic ☐	Baptised Other Christian ☐	Not Baptised ☐
If Father's Baptism is "Other Christian", Specify _____			
Home Address <i>(if different from child's)</i>			
	Street	City	PC
Telephone	Email		

I give permission for St. Gerard Parish to use photos and quotes of my child(ren) for this program and parish use.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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.





Triple P Group

Six weekly workshops for parents and caregivers of children up to 10 years of age

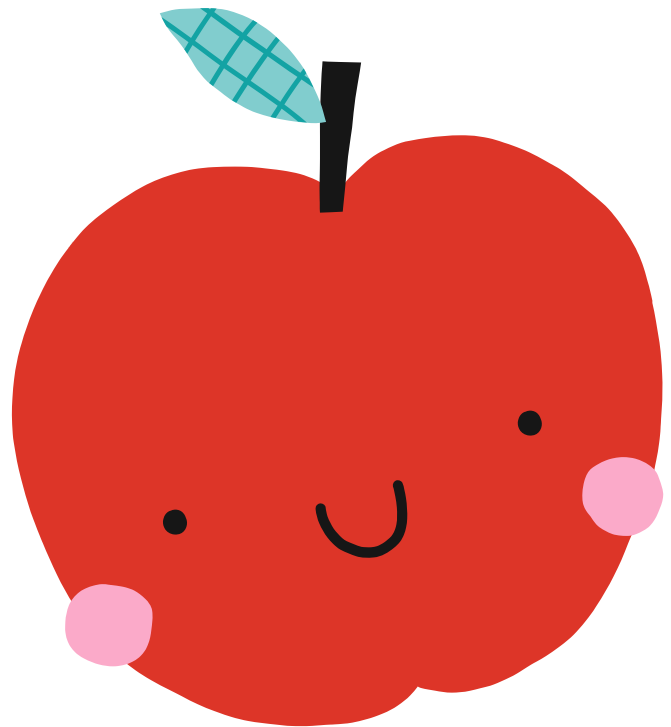
Thursdays
6-8 pm
Oct. 1 to
Nov. 5

- Build a positive relationship with your child;
- Learn effective strategies to teach new skills;
- Use rules and consequences with confidence;
- Connect with other parents in a welcoming, supportive environment.

Participation is required at all six sessions.

This is a free in-person workshop at
Triple P Learning Centre, 345 Broadway Street West.
Childminding is available for children 10 and under.
Refreshments will be provided to kids and parents.

*Registration is limited. Register no later than Monday, September 28
at signyorkton.ca/register or text/call 306-621-3084.*



Developing good bedtime routines

An in-person discussion group for parents/caregivers of children under 10

Thursday September 24
6 to 8 pm

Triple P Learning Centre

at SIGN on Broadway. Entrance off main parking lot.

We will talk about why bedtime routines matter.

- Share ideas about what helps children settle and sleep well;
- Learn positive parenting strategies to make bedtime easier;
- Help you create a bedtime routine that fits your family's needs.

Space is limited.
Register by Sep. 22.
Call/text
306-621-3084
or online at
signyorkton.ca/register

*This is a free program.
Childminding is available for kids under 10.*





STEPPING STONES SUPPORT GROUP

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.

September 29
6 to 7:30 pm

This session's topic:
A guide to early learning skills

Future sessions:

- Oct. 27: Language & communication
- 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 Sep. 28 at
signyorkton.ca/register
or call/text 306-621-3084

