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Saint Boniface School

October Newsletter

A Community Centered on Christ

We exist to spread the gospel message of Jesus and to foster the spiritual and academic development of the students enrolled at Saint Boniface School.

Upcoming Events

Oct. 3: Special Friends' Day 12:45-2:15

Oct. 13 & 14: Pre K-6 Conferences 3:30-7:35

Oct. 16 & 17: Fall Vacation

Oct. 25: Workathon

School Mass & SOS: See Our School

Oct. 2: 3rd Grade SOS

Oct. 9: 2nd Grade SOS

Oct. 23: 1st Grade SOS

Oct. 30: 6A

Nov. 6: 6B

Nov. 13: 5A

Nov. 20: 5B

Special Friends' Day

We are looking forward to Special Friends' Day on Friday, October 3rd. This is a special opportunity for children to invite a special adult friend to come and spend part of the day with them. One special friend for all the children in a family is fine. (Adults only)

12:45 PM Special Friends are welcome to arrive at school.

1:00 PM Prayer Service in the church.

Following the prayer service, special friends will go with the students to the classrooms for some fun activities.

2:15 PM Dismissal of students who are going home with their Special Friend. Please let the teacher know and check with them before you leave.

Mission:

We will be supporting Simply Love International again this school year. Simply Love is supporting an orphanage and primary school in Tanzania. Our donation from last year was used to purchase a pregnant cow and chickens, and also to provide 5 and 6-year-olds the opportunity to attend school at Simply Love School. We look forward to continuing to help! Our goal this year is to sponsor a little girl so she can go to school and to help them add on to their school to bring more students in off the street and provide a safe learning environment.

We will be raising money for our Mission Project throughout the year. Our first way to raise money for our Mission is the **USED BOOK SALE!**

USED BOOK SALE: October 13-15

Books will be for sale all day and during conferences! Books are \$1.00 or a free will donation.







October 25-Workathon

Thank you for sending out the Buddy Letters/emails and helping the students get pledges for our annual Workathon!

Workathon Day:

- Meet in the Parish Center at 8:30-8:45 AM
 - Find out who your team leader is and learn where your first job is (paper and pencils will be available to write down information or take a picture using your phone!)
 - Prayer and announcements begin at 8:55 AM and then it is time to go to work!
- Team Leaders will have a short meeting at 8:15 AM
- This year we will NOT have breakfast items available, but WILL have lunch available AFTER your hard work. We're serving hot dogs and chips in the Parish Center immediately following your last Workathon job! You'll receive a RSVP survey to complete as we get closer to Workathon.
- WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE TEAM LEADERS! Contact the school office if you are willing to lead a team!

School Mass

Out of respect for the sacredness of the Mass and to help keep our worship space clean and reverent, we ask that no food or drinks be brought into the church. In addition, the Church asks us to fast from food and drink (except water and medicine) for one hour before receiving Holy Communion, to prepare our hearts and minds for the Eucharist. Thank you for helping us honor this sacred time and space.

Physical Education News

• Students will be doing a track portion of the fitness testing program the week of Oct. 6. Students can bring shorts (for P.E. only) and water.

Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention week is October 6-10. The theme this year is "Charge into Fire Safety™: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home." The focus is to educate everyone about using these batteries safely. The campaign stresses how important it is to <u>BUY, CHARGE</u>, and <u>RECYCLE</u> safely when it comes to lithium-ion batteries.

Charge into Fire Safety: 3 Steps

- 1. Buy only listed products. When buying a product that uses a lithium-ion battery, look for a safety certification mark such as UL, ETL, or CSA. This means it meets important safety standards.
- 2. Charge devices safely. Always use the cords that came with the product to charge. Follow the instructions from the manufacturer. Buy new chargers from the manufacturer or one that the manufacturer has approved. Charge your device on a hard surface. Don't overcharge your device. Unplug it or remove the battery when it's fully charged.
- 3. Recycle batteries responsibly. Don't throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or regular recycling bins because they could start a fire. Recycle your device or battery at a safe battery recycling location. Visit call2recycle.org to find a recycling spot near you. How can you learn more?

Visit https://www.nfpa.org/Events/Events/Fire-Prevention-Week/About

Parent Teacher Conferences October 13 & 14

Pre-Kindergarten through 6th Grade Parent Teacher Conferences are October 13 & 14 from 3:30 PM-7:35 PM. Conferences will be offered in person. The conference will be 15 minutes.

Students and siblings are welcome to attend. Child care will be available in the library and computer room. Sign-up is open and closes on October 6 at 9:00 AM. If you do not sign up before then, you will need to contact the teacher to schedule a time. The conference sign-up links were emailed to you.

Please help provide dinner for the teachers on the conference evenings. Sign up here: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoE4EACAA28A1F4Co7-conference1</u>

Thank you for your support! If you need any help signing up, email schooloffice@stboniface.com.

Looking ahead to Halloween

Students are invited to bring their Halloween costumes to school on Friday, Oct. 31st. Students will only be allowed to wear their costumes during their classroom party. Please do NOT send them to school in their costume. No fake weapons of violence or makeup are permitted at school.

October Wellness Tips

Healthy Eating Tips: Offer a variety of choices from each food group – fruits, vegetables, grains, protein foods, and dairy and fortified soy alternatives – in meals and snacks during each day.

Connect at mealtime: Eat meals together whenever possible. Turn off the TV and put away phones and tablets so you can "unplug" and focus on healthy foods and each other.

Make good nutrition easy: Designate a shelf or a drawer in your fridge for your kids. Stock it with cut up fruits and vegetables, yogurt, nut butters, and whole-wheat mini bagels and crackers.

Think about their drinks: Make water and low-fat or fat-free dairy milk and fortified soy alternatives easy options to grab in your home. Have ready-to-go containers filled and in the fridge to take on outings.

Get kids involved: Depending on their age, kids can peel fruits, assemble salads, measure, scoop, and slice. Let them create and name their own side dish.

Have a shopping buddy: Let kids participate in grocery shopping online or in the store. Reward them by letting them choose their favorite fruit or maybe a new one.

Peace of Mind: October Webinar for Parents & Caregivers

Raising Resilient Kids in an Uncertain World: Give your child the skills to adapt, recover, and thrive when life doesn't go as planned.

Learn how resilience is built through everyday moments, not just in times of crisis. You'll practice Family Storytelling, the Plan B Game, and Micro-Challenges to help kids become confident problem-solvers. Take home a Family Resilience Journal template to record growth moments.

Thursday, October 23 @ 7:00 PM. Register HERE.



🛖 TOP 20: ABOVE THE LINE

You will only get one day like this one. Be aware that your thinking gives you the power to choose how you will spend it.



Remember to share any great school photos with our yearbook team! You can email them at yearbook@stboniface.com



October-No shorts

Starting October 8, we ask that students not wear shorts. Fall weather is approaching. Please check the weather forecast regularly to make sure your child(ren) is prepared for recess and other outdoor activities throughout the day. Thank you for your help!

Weather Dress Code:

0-24 degrees: Students need a winter coat, boots, snow pants, hat, and gloves

25-40 degrees: Students need a winter coat, hat, and gloves.

41-50 degrees: Students need a jacket

51-60 degrees: Students need long sleeves or a sweatshirt

60 + degrees: Students do not need long sleeves.

ROCORI Community Education Fall 2025

Make sure to check out the ROCORI Community Education Fall 2025 brochure for great activities coming up! https://rocori.ce.eleyo.com/



Peace of Mind Spiritual Connection The 5 Finger Prayer

- 1. The thumb is the closest finger to you. Start praying/expressing gratitude for those who are closest to you.
- 2. The next finger is the index. Pray/express gratitude for those who teach you, instruct you and heal you.
- 3. The following finger is the tallest. It reminds us of our leaders and those in authority.
- 4. The fourth finger is the ring finger, the weakest finger. It reminds us to pray for those in need.
- 5. Finally, your pinkie reminds you to pray/be grateful for yourself.

We collect Teal's Market Receipts

We take part in the Teal's Market 1% Rebate program for schools.

Thank you for collecting and turning in your Teal's receipts to Saint Boniface School!

We received a check of \$2,241.31 from all our receipts last year!

Save your receipts and send them to school.

Thank you for your support!



Centered on Christ Catholic Community Bulletin

On Sunday, September 26, in the church bulletin is a letter from Fr. LeRoy and the yearly financial report. You can find the full bulletin <u>HERE</u>.

October: Month of the Holy Rosary

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary, a special time in the Church to honor our Blessed Mother, Mary, and to reflect on the life of Christ through prayer. The Rosary is a powerful way for children and adults alike to grow in faith, meditate on the mysteries of Jesus' life, and ask Mary to intercede for us.

We will be celebrating this month by incorporating the Rosary into our daily prayers and classroom activities. We encourage families to pray the Rosary together at home, and to talk with your children about the meaning of each mystery. Even a few minutes a day can help children develop a lifelong love for this beautiful devotion.

Thank you for supporting your child's spiritual growth and for helping us honor Our Lady during this special month.



