



## ÉCOLE SISTER O'BRIEN SCHOOL

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### NEWSLETTER #8

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#### ***Food for Thought:***

***“Education is not received, it is achieved.”***

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Friday, October 21	Phone book collection ends Life Touch orders due today
Monday, October 24	Sub Lunch order forms due today
Monday, October 31	Sub Lunch Dance in p.m. Grades K- 5 (1:00 – 1:30 p.m.) Grades 6 - 8 (1:30 – 3:15 p.m.)
Tuesday, November 1	Life Touch ‘retakes ‘ today in a.m.

#### **EDUCATION WEEK: CELEBRATING A CENTURY OF FAITH AND LEARNING – OCTOBER 17 to 21**

This year we are organizing a “Camp Out Read” on Friday, October 21. In order to make this a success, we are asking parents to lend us their camping tents. If you have a tent and are willing to lend it to the school for the day, please contact the office at your earliest convenience. Thank you. Education Week Committee

#### **BORN IN A BASEMENT**

Bishop Murray Chatlain recounts the history of Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools. Join us for this informative, entertaining lecture, which will be held on Monday, October 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Saskatoon’s Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Place. Bishop Murray will take us on a journey recounting the remarkable history of Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools - from three classrooms in the basement of St. Paul’s Church to a division that has 45 schools and represents four thriving communities. Bishop Murray, who received his Kindergarten to Grade 12 education in Saskatoon’s Catholic schools, is bishop of the Mackenzie-Fort Smith diocese in the Northwest Territories.

#### **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

St. Anne’s Parish Community is again preparing to provide Christmas dinner hampers for families in our community. These hampers include such choices as a turkey or ham, potatoes or rice, fresh fruits, vegetables, and many other extras to help celebrate Christmas with your family and friends. If you, or a family you know, would appreciate a hamper this Christmas, please feel welcome to pick up a hamper request form at the school office or by contacting St. Anne’s Parish (217 Lenore Dr.) at 931-4700. Please note that request forms are due back to the church before Friday November 18th.

#### **KIDS FOR CHRIST - October 30, 2011**

Kids for Christ will resume on Sunday Oct. 30, 2011 at 1:00pm in St. Anne’s Church Hall. Children attending last year should re-register if they haven’t done so. New children are welcome if you are 4 - 8 years old. Older children are encouraged to attend as helpers to the younger ones. Registration will also take place on the day of our gathering. Watch for displays, brochures, and forms in the welcome area at Church. This program is free. Parents are encouraged to attend, since we do family oriented activities. Please wear your "K4C" T-shirts and cross necklaces to Mass on Sunday Oct. 30. Our theme this year is "A study of the Saints". The Core-team and I look forward to another awesome year. For more information or to register call 931.4700 or e-mail Sr. Dianne at [d.sehn@sasktel.net](mailto:d.sehn@sasktel.net)

#### **ÉCOLE SISTER O'BRIEN SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CRAFT, TRADE SHOW & BAKE – Sat., Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

This year at École Sister O’Brien, we are planning our annual Christmas party, but with a new addition. This year, we are looking for Sister O’Brien Families who run home based businesses to sell their goods at our Christmas Party. This includes anything from selling candles, jewelry, to homemade crafts – all are welcome!

Please contact Korryn Diehl at [korryndiehl@sasktel.net](mailto:korryndiehl@sasktel.net) **no later than October 31, 2011** if you are interested in purchasing a table or 2 for the Christmas Party. More information will be provided at that time.

Tables are \$40.00 or 2 for \$75.00. This is an excellent opportunity for our community to support our families and a great opportunity to get a jump on Christmas shopping.

#### **LOST & FOUND ITEMS**

Our bin is still overflowing! Please stop by Mr. Chomitzky’s office to view our assortment of items. Of note are several pairs of shoes (some almost brand new!) that were pulled from lockers during the summer cleaning. Please come and look. These are not shoes we want to throw in the garbage. All shoes not claimed by October 31 will be sent to the Friendship Inn.

#### **OLD PHONE BOOKS**

Our SaskTel phone book collection campaign will end this Friday on October 21.

**SCHOOLS WIN TWICE RAFFLE** - Hand in sold/unsold booklets to Mme Aebig.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION REGISTRATION/INFORMATION MEETING TONIGHT @ 7 P.M.**

Registration for Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation is underway! Registration forms are available on the church website ([www.saintannes.ca](http://www.saintannes.ca)), and through the Catholic elementary schools in our parish. Please return the completed forms to the parish office. **Registration for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion will be taking place in the New Year.**

An information /registration meeting will be held for all parents with a child in grade two or higher, who wish to participate in preparing their child for First Reconciliation on **Wednesday, October 19, 2011 at 7:00pm** in St. Anne's Parish Hall.

**PUPPET CLUB – Donations Requested**

Mlle Campbell has started the Puppet Club for grades 4 – 6. The students construct all of their puppets, stages, props and script. We are meeting every Thursday at noon in the Science room. We are in need of scrap pieces of materials, craft items such as googlie eyes, popsicle sticks, pipe cleaners, yarn, etc. that could be used to make puppets. Please bring them to Mlle Campbell's room. She will keep you posted as to when you can come view the puppet show.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOX CAMPAIGN**

Boxes are due back by November 14.

\*\*A gentle reminder that \$7.00 should be included in the box for shipping/handling purposes.\*\*

**FESTIVAL OF FAITH: PILGRIMS OF PEACE**

The Inter-faith Commission of the diocese of Saskatoon and Multi-Faith Saskatoon are working together to present this year's 27th annual Festival of Faith. Since this year marks the 25th anniversary of Pope John II's interreligious "Prayer for Peace" meeting in Assisi, the theme of this year's festival is praying for world peace. Hosted by Bishop Donald Bolen, it will bring together people of different faiths: Christian, Jewish, Hindu, First Nations, Muslims, and others. The form these prayers will take include a water ceremony, hymns, readings, chanting, and dance presentations. This event will be held on Sunday, October 30th, 3:00 PM at St. Patrick's Parish, 3330 Centennial Drive. There is no admission charge. A reception will follow.

**SASKATOON HEALTH REGION** - Public Health Services

**Breakfast Gets Top Marks**

Children need a good breakfast in order to learn well and enjoy their day at school. Other family members also need a healthy breakfast, no matter what activities their days hold in store. How can families make sure that everyone has a wholesome meal at the start of the day?

- **Plan ahead.** Since time is often tight, this can be the most important step.
- **Prepare ahead.** Do what you can the night before.
- **Beat boredom.** It is fine to include healthy foods not usually thought of as "breakfast foods."
- **Make it a habit.** If you want to strengthen your family's breakfast routine, pick a week or two to focus on the change.
- **Eat together whenever you can.** Families tend to eat better when they share mealtime. As an added bonus, breakfast together offers a great chance to plan for the day's activities.

**COMMUNITY NOTES:**

- Community Service Bake Sale - Sunday, October 23 (1-4 p.m.) Co-Op on Attridge.  
Five École Sister O'Brien School students will be selling yummy treats with the proceeds going to a local charity.
- The Saskatchewan Scholastic Chess Association wishes to announce a chess tournament for student chess players, grade 1 to grade 12, to be held at St. George Elementary School located at 748 Redberry Rd., on Saturday, December 3rd, 2011. For more information see our web site: [ssca.saskchess.com](http://ssca.saskchess.com)
- The Nutana Community Association is pleased to announce its **4th annual Pumpkins in the Park Festival on Tuesday, November 1st**. This event will happen in Rotary Park and is a time for everyone to bring down their used Jack-o-Lanterns, light them up one last time and stream them around the Peace Flame. Come down between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. and enjoy free hotdogs and hot chocolate. The Jack-o-Lanterns will all be gathered at the end of the evening and carted off to compost, enriching the environment at the same time as keeping the ghosts and goblins away.
- Columbus Bosco Homes is having its Annual General Meeting on Monday, November 14 beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Bishop Murray High School. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.