



# St. Augustine School

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Phone: (204) 729-3285

*"Learning in His Spirit"*

**September 2025**

## Important dates:

### September

Sept 3 First day of school

Sept 8 Farm to School Fundraiser starts

Sept 9 Parent Council Meeting –All parents welcome to attend!

Sept 15 Picture day

Sept 17 Milk Program orders due

Welcome Back BBQ, Open House and Book Fair

Sept 22 1st day of milk program

Sept 26 School Orange Shirt day

Sept 29 Professional Development day - NO SCHOOL

Sept 30 Truth and Reconciliation - NO SCHOOL

### October

Oct 8 Farm to School Delivery

Oct 13 Thanksgiving Day - NO SCHOOL

Oct 24 Professional Development Day - NO SCHOOL



## WELCOME BACK



Welcome back to another school year at St. Augustine School! As we begin this new school year, I am filled with gratitude and excitement to continue this journey with you in my second year as principal. It has been a blessing to witness the learning that fill our classrooms each day. I am looking forward to working with everyone involved in the St. Augustine community. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, at anytime throughout the year, please contact your child's teacher and/or myself. It is essential that we work as a team to support your child's education.

As Brandon's Catholic School, the staff will continue to maintain our school's core elements: our devotion to Jesus and His Blessed Mother, building our home school community, encouraging students to reach their academic potential and showing respect for God, for others and for themselves.

- Mr. Baranyk - Principal

## Lunch Reminders

- Warm lunches should come in thermos.
- Canteen available at a cost.
- Parents are asked to send forks or spoons if needed for lunch.
- Reminder to parents that we have students/staff with **Nut, Fish, Egg, and strong scents allergies**. Please be mindful of this when you are packing lunches or sending snacks to school.

## School Agenda and Handbook

The School Agendas and handbooks will be sent home on the 1st day. **Please take the time to read the school handbook as it contains important information.**

## Orange Shirt Day

On Friday, Sept 26th we ask that all students come to school in an orange shirt in recognition of Truth and Reconciliation day on Sept 30th.



## Bell Times

<b>8:45 am</b>	1st Bell for students to come into classrooms
<b>8:55</b>	Start of classes
<b>10:30-10:45</b>	Morning recess
<b>11:45-12:45 pm</b>	Lunch Hour
<b>12:50</b>	Start of classes
<b>2:20-2:35</b>	Afternoon recess
<b>3:30</b>	End of classes



Reminder to parents that students are to be dropped off and picked up as close to bell times as possible. If you need to drop them off sooner/later please see the office about the Before and After School program.

## Staff 2025-2026

Our staff for the year is as follows:

\* - new to St. Augustine School for 2025-26

Principal - Mr. Baranyk\*

Kindergarten - Mrs. Araujo

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Gr. 1 - Mrs. Affleck

Gr. 1/2 Mrs. Kindrat - AM

Mrs. Romanow - PM

Gr. 2 - Mrs. Irwin

Gr. 3 - Miss Heinrichs \*

Gr. 4 - Ms. Rowan

Gr. 5 - Mr. Affleck

Gr. 6 - Miss Kirkup

Gr. 7 - Mr. Halls

Gr. 8 - Mr. Foley \*

Phys. Ed - Mr. DeRoo

Music - Mrs. Loewen

Continuous Improvement Coach and

Academic Support Teacher - Mrs. Hayter

Resource Teacher - Mrs. Shamray\*

Guidance Counsellor - Mrs. DeRoo

School Social Worker - Mrs. Collister

Librarian - Mrs. Kindrat

Reading Recovery Teacher - Mrs.

Romanow

School Admin Assistant - Mrs. Langlois

Home School Liaison & Educational

Assistant - Ms. Gaudry \*

Educational Assistants - Ms. Olson \*

Ms. Rystephanuk, Danica Black, Daniela Sanchez Perez, Sharlene Mola Cruz, Martha Khamisya

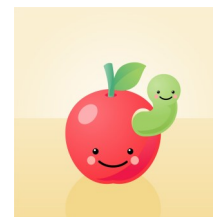
Lunch hour Supervisors - Mr. Baranyk,

Mrs. DeRoo, Ms. Rystephanuk, Ms.

Gaudry, Ms. Olson,

Custodian - Mrs. Moffitt

Custodial Assistant - Mrs. Mendez



## Attendance/Call Back

If your child is going to be absent/late for school for any reason, we ask that you call our school at **204-729-3286**. If you do not contact the school, our school automated call back will initiate to call your contact numbers in our Student Information System. Your child will have an unexcused absence until you call and excuse your child's absence.

## Parent Council News

**St. Augustine School parent council will be having a meeting in the school's library on Tuesday, Sept 9th at 7:00pm.**

A Parent Council cannot function without an elected executive and the volunteer support of other parents. There are many ways to be involved and enhance the children's education; you will be able to stay informed as to what is happening at St. Augustine School, find out about volunteer opportunities and be able to meet the parents of other students. If you are interested in knowing more about the role and purpose of a Parent Council we encourage you to attend.

## Welcome Back

### Barbeque ,Open House and Book Fair

**Date: Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025**

Parent Council and staff would like to invite everyone to participate in this school opening community event. Parents will have an opportunity to tour your children's classrooms and meet the teacher, followed by a BBQ.

Book Fair (Gym) - 3:30pm - 6:00pm (Cash or card accepted)

Open House - 4:00pm - 5:00pm

BBQ - (Playground) - 5:00pm - 6:00pm (Cash Only) Volunteers need. If you can help out please contact the school office at 204-729-3285.



**Cost:** Hot Dog, Chips and Drink - funds raised goes towards Parent Council.  
Books at Book Fair—funds raised goes towards the library.



\*\*\*Parents are asked to supervisor their children at all times\*\*\*\*

## St. Augustine School Student Prayer

Blessed St. Augustine, I place my studies under your powerful protection. Your intercession has often helped me to make progress in leaning and devotion. I choose you as the protector and patron of my studies. Through your intercession, may the Holy Spirit fill me with light and strength, intelligence and humility. I implore the Creator of all things to grant me the ability to grasp things correctly, and the talent of being exact in my explanations.

Amen.



## Update

If over the summer any of your contact information has changed, address, phone numbers, email, etc. please contact the school office at 204-729-3285 or email the

## Visitors

All visitors to the school must report to the office before proceeding into any area of the building. If parents are dropping off lunches/homework please leave it in the office and we will make sure the students receive it and not interrupting the classroom.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Parents are not to park in the parking lot between the school and church, as we have instructed students not to go in and out of this parking lot as staff and Church members are backing out, and it is a safety hazard.

## Monthly Newsletter

Our monthly school newsletter will be emailed to those parents that have provided an email address, on the School website: [www.bsd.ca/staugustine](http://www.bsd.ca/staugustine) or paper copies will be posted at the parent information board in the front foyer of the school for you to pick up. Please take the time to read as they contain important information.

## September



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Labour Day	<b>2</b> Administration Day NO SCHOOL	<b>3</b> First Day Of Classes Day 1	<b>4</b> Day 2	<b>5</b> Day 3	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Day 4	<b>9</b> Day 5	<b>10</b> Day 6	<b>11</b> Day 1	<b>12</b> Day 2	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Day 3	<b>16</b> Day 4	<b>17</b> Day 5	<b>18</b> Day 6	<b>19</b> Day 1	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Day 2	<b>23</b> Day 3	<b>24</b> Day 4	<b>25</b> Day 5	<b>26</b> Day 6	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Professional Development NO SCHOOL	<b>30</b> National Day for Truth & Reconciliation NO SCHOOL				