



BORDEN SCHOOL

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Scholastic Book Fair:

We would like to give a great big shout out to Mrs. Yuskiw for organizing a very successful book fair. The last one we held was November 2019. Students, staff, families and community members were so excited to come together for a short program and to make purchases that help support our school library. Thank you so much!

Kindergarten Registration:

If your child will be five years of age on or before December 31, 2023, it is time to register for Kindergarten.

To register: <https://register.spiritsd.ca/>

Please note that you will need Adobe Reader to complete this online form; you may download this APP from either the Apple APP Store or from Google Play Store for free. Additionally, you will be asked to provide confirmation of age. You may scan and upload a copy of your **child's passport or birth certificate, when completing the online registration. If you prefer, you may bring it to the office for visual confirmation with Mr. Gerwing or Mrs. Lukan.**

Once the online registration is complete, it will be forwarded to Borden School automatically.

To register for rural transportation:

https://www.spiritsd.ca/files/transportation/forms/Rural_Bus_Transportation_Requirement.pdf

Once the rural transportation document is complete, email it to angelena.lukan@spiritsd.ca or you may drop it off at the school office.

We look forward to beginning this journey with you and are excited to welcome our new little Bruins.

SRC:

SRC students are using their creativity and ingenuity to plan exciting school wide events for the remainder of the year. They have been working at the concession each Friday, selling Bruin Bucket items, which is always a welcome event that

our Borden School students look forward to. Spirit Day planning is in the works, as well as thoughts towards a school wide scavenger hunt in June. Details to be announced! I am proud of the work that the SRC students have been doing this year, as they are always thinking of different ideas to engage the student body.

Grade 12 Graduation:

Borden School Class of 2023 proudly invites you to their graduation ceremony on Friday, June 9th, 2023. The program begins at 7:00PM at the Borden School Gymnasium, and there is a dance to follow.

Kindergarten Graduation:

The date has been set for Kindergarten graduation. It will take place on Wednesday, June 21 @ 10:30AM in the school gymnasium.

Awards:

As June approaches and another school year winds down, we will take time to recognize both the volunteers and students that make our school and community a better place. We will be honoring these individuals/groups at an awards evening in June to be held in conjunction with an SCC BBQ. The BBQ will begin at 5:30pm (silver collection) with the formal program beginning at 6:30pm. A notice to families will be sent once we have a date set.

The awards committee will be asking for your support. If you would like to sponsor a specific award or simply make a donation (any denomination) to the general awards fund, please contact the school or fill out the attached form and return it to the office by Wednesday, May 25th.

Please help support and give the opportunity for our children to receive the recognition they deserve.

SCC:

Our School Community Council (SCC) supports student learning success and well-being and encourages parent and community involvement in the school. Prairie Spirit School Division believes that involvement with SCCs is a rewarding and meaningful activity for parent and community members. If you would like to make a difference at our school, please consider running in the upcoming SCC election. Parents and members of the community are eligible to run for the local SCC.

Our School Community Council has three positions open for members for two-year terms beginning fall, 2023. We have seven members who will be remaining for their second year for 2023-2024.

Our SCC election will be held Monday, May 8th.

For more information and nomination forms, please reach out to angelena.lukan@spiritsd.ca. Current members who are finishing their two-year term will need to be re-elected. Forms are due Friday, May 5th at 9:00AM.

SCC Shout Outs: - Keep them coming!

The SCC has been noticing positive things happening in our school! There are many exciting things going on!

If you have also noticed and feel like you would like to recognize a staff member or student, please click on the link to fill out the form: [Positive Shout Out Form](#)

The goal is to get back as many positive comments as we can and create a staff and student shout out bulletin board.

It can be as simple as I love when ____ reads with me or it can be a specific event that needs a shout out.

You can remain anonymous or attach your name or your child's name. Up to you!

Please send in those positive shout outs so we can celebrate our school community.

Track and Field (Grades 7-12):

Grade 7-12 Track and Field Practices are taking place Monday to Thursday right after school from 3:10 – 4:00pm. Students are required to attend at least 3 practices before our first meet (Conferences). If your child would still like to join, please reach out to Miss McGregor (taylor.mcgregor@spiritsd.ca) or Miss Junop (camryn.junop@spiritsd.ca) and we will add them to our list.

Conferences take place on May 17 in Saskatoon. If your child places in the top 8 at the Conference meet, they will move on to the District Meet (May 26 in Saskatoon).

Athletes who place in the top 2 at Districts will represent our school at Provincials. The Provincial Track & Field meet takes place in Saskatoon on June 2 and 3.

Stay tuned for additional track and field updates throughout the season and do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Track and Field (K to Grade 6):

Elementary students will soon be looking forward to track and field that will be coming up on June 14th. Students in grades Kindergarten to Grade 6 will be taking part in Track and Field in Perdue this year, as Borden hosted Track and Field last year. We will be looking for parent volunteers and spectators to come cheer us on. In anticipation of events, teachers will be practicing all track events during the school day (PE classes) and new this year: offering optional track practices at noon for students in Kindergarten to Grade 6. On Monday and Tuesdays from 3:10 until 4:00 only students in Grade 5 and 6 are invited to practice after school with high school students.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Miss McGregor – taylor.mcgregor@spiritsd.ca

Junior Badminton:

We had 9 players make up our small squad and each individual worked very hard this season. Our team members were Sam, Zoe, Maddie, Karsyn, Josh, Carter, Casey, Justin and Parker. We had exhibition games in Langham, then had Pre-Conferences in Langham, and had 2 teams advance to Conferences in Martensville and that was our Mixed Doubles team: Carter and Maddie, and our Boys Doubles team: Sam and Parker, where both teams placed third in their pools! Our season was short, but we continued to learn on and off the court and we are looking forward to next season!

Coach - Miss Taylor Smith

Marafun:

Marafun is underway! Our runners train 3 days a week in the gym, but hopefully we can add in some outdoor training as well with the warmer weather. The final run is on Sunday, May 28th at Diefenbaker Park in Saskatoon. More details about this run will be sent out closer to. – Mrs. Martell

Volunteering and Field Trips:

We love having volunteers at Borden School and are thankful to those who help us out with a variety of activities throughout the year. Your time, commitment, and skill are valued. Volunteering builds closer relations between school and community and widens the network of support for our children. We sincerely appreciate your willingness to volunteer and the interest you have in your child/ren's education. This is a positive experience for all.

Please receive this as your invitation to:

1. Be a classroom helper
2. Be a playdough maker
3. Organize, cater, or work at fundraising activities (bake sales, hot lunches, candy sales, car washes, etc.)
4. Chaperone field trips, track meets, and other events that take place away from school
5. Assist with a specific club or interest group (chess club, Lego club, board game club or art club)
6. Assist coaches with sports or work in the concession at sporting events
7. Become an SCC member
8. Assist with the reading program
9. Help with visual arts, crafts, and design
10. Share your expertise in your occupation or
11. Share your gifts and talents with students (singing, playing an instrument, knitting, painting, etc.)

Often teachers will reach out to families if they are looking for help with specific events. However, you may also reach out to your child/ren's teacher/s and let them know the

ways you are willing to contribute. Where possible, teachers may be able to schedule you as a volunteer for upcoming opportunities.

Currently, teachers are planning field trips. Some of these may require additional chaperones, and thus we need to ensure we have all the necessary documents in place.

Earlier this year Prairie Spirit School Division implemented a new Administrative Procedure to promote student safety and provide guidelines for schools in their work with volunteers.

The AP specifies that the Criminal Record Check is needed for volunteers:

- who supervise students (e.g. oversee a group of students on a field trip where they may not be within the general supervision of the teacher at all times),
- who chaperone overnight field trips,
- who volunteer to drive children other than their own for field trips or sporting events, and
- who serve as a community coach.

Please contact the office to see if yours is up-to-date and to complete the Annual Compliance Report, which asks if there has been any change to your Criminal Record Check currently on file.

The AP also specifies that the Vulnerable Sector Check is needed for volunteers:

- who chaperone overnight field trips,
- who transport children other than their own to school events, and
- who are community coaches.

The CRC and VSC need to be renewed every three years.

In addition to a Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Check, those who transport students other than their own children will need to complete the 807 Appendix A – Volunteer Driver Authorization Form.

To become a volunteer at Borden School, please complete the following:

1. Contact the school and the principal will review the Prairie Spirit Volunteer Policy 434 with you.
2. The school will provide you with the school volunteer letter/s to give to the RCMP.
3. Volunteers take the letter/s to request the CRC and/or Vulnerable Sector Check to the local RCMP – Warman or Martensville. Prairie Spirit requires the original documentation from the police services in the parent's area of residence. **Criminal Record checks provided through independent websites such as "MyBackCheck" or "MyCRC" will not be accepted at**

- this time.** Please note that it may take up to 10 days for the RCMP to send the completed CRC/VSC to the volunteer. It is best to get this done in advance of upcoming field trips to avoid not being authorized to participate in a field trip.
4. RCMP will send the completed CRC/VSC to the volunteer who will then forward to the principal.
 5. The principal will then authorize volunteers to supervise.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email angelena.lukan@spiritsd.ca or call us at 306-997-2090. We sincerely appreciate your willingness to volunteer.

Upcoming Field Trips:

Grade 9-12:

We are excited to announce the grade 9-12 students will be participating in a field trip to F45 Fitness and Breakout Escape Room on Tuesday, May 23rd. This field trip will provide students with an opportunity to learn about fitness and problem-solving skills.

Grade 7:

A field trip is in the works for the grade 7 class where they will participate in wall climbing at Clip N Climb and disc golf at the William Reid Park on June 13th.

Grade K-2 & 8 Field Trip:

On May 8th, we will be going on a field trip with the Kindergarten and Grade 8 classes. We will be heading to the Forestry Farm and Mar's Mini Golf!

Grade 3-6 Field Trip:

A date has been set for Tuesday, June 27. There will be more details later.

Every Wednesday = Borden Blue Day

Every Friday = Bruin Buckets

Upcoming Events: (Subject to change)

Saturday, April 29 – Badminton Playoffs @ MAP in Martensville

Wednesday, May 3 – Run, Jump, Throw Clinic (Grades K-6) and Husky Track Clinic (Grades 7-12)

Friday, May 5 – MADD Presentation (Grades 7-12) @ 9:30

Friday, May 5 – SCC Nomination Forms DUE

Saturday, May 6 – Grad Bottle Drive (Call 306-250-4317 for more info)

Monday, May 8 – SCC Elections @ 6:30

Monday, May 8 – K/1/2 and Grade 8 Field Trip – Forestry Farm/Mars Mini Golf

Wednesday, May 10 – Burger and Potato Hot Lunch Orders DUE

Wednesday, May 10 – K/1/2 Families Invitation to Visit Forest School

Friday, May 12 – No School for Students – Teacher Preparation
Monday, May 15 – K/1/2 Families Invitation to Visit Forest School
Wednesday, May 17 – Conference A Track Meet
Friday, May 19 – K/1/2 Families Invitation for a Literacy Morning
Friday, May 19 – Hamburger and Baked Potato Hot Lunch
Monday, May 22 – No School - Victoria Day
Tuesday, May 23 – Grade 9-12 Field Trip - F45/BreakOut Escapes
Friday, May 26 – District Track Meet
Sunday, May 28 – Marafun Race
Friday, June 2 – Provincial Track Meet
Monday, June 5 – No School for Students - Teacher Preparation/PD
Friday, June 9 – Grade 12 Graduation
Tuesday, June 13 – Grade 7 Field Trip – Clip N Climb/Disc Golf
Wednesday, June 14 – Elementary Track @ Perdue
Wednesday, June 21 – Kindergarten Graduation
Tuesday, June 27 – Grade 3-6 Field Trip – more details to follow
Thursday, June 29 - School year ends for students
Friday, June 30 – No School for Students – Teacher Preparation