

St. Gregory the Great *A Safe and Caring School for All*

At St. Gregory the Great Catholic School, it is our mission:

- to offer, as a pillar of the Catholic community in Blackfalds, faith filled relationships.
- to make Christ the foundation of all, as we model and evangelize our Catholic faith, participating in mass and liturgies.
- to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment that recognizes and understands the unique gifts of each child.
- to instill a love of learning and be the foundation of collaborative and eager learners in our community.
- to create diverse learning opportunities that are inclusive, safe and challenging, for 21st century learning.
- to extend learning beyond the classroom by building and developing relationships within our community.

St. Gregory the Great prides itself on creating a safe, caring, welcoming, and respectful learning environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for everyone. In our school, students contribute to the positive nature of the school and this mission by acting in a manner that aligns with this belief. Students are reminded of the following expectations as we begin a new school year:

- show respect for the rights, property, and safety of themselves and others
- accept personal responsibility for behaviour
- respect and appreciate diversity of all school members
- treat school property and the property of others with a reasonable standard of respect
- attend school regularly and punctually
- show respect for the roles and responsibilities of students, teachers, principals, parents, and volunteers
- demonstrate respect for the learning environment of the school, the classroom and school activities
- adhere to the school dress code
- keep cell phones/smart technology/earbuds “off and away” in their lockers during class time
- use information and communications technology, including the Internet, digital resources, and all forms of social media in a responsible and acceptable manner
- refrain from all forms of bullying and cyberbullying, intimidation, racism, and discrimination
- demonstrate and promote positive behaviour through the avoidance of all types of violence
- refrain from the possession of any weapons
- refrain from the possession of, or being under the influence of vaping products, alcohol, drugs, and tobacco on school property
- refrain from plagiarizing another student's work

As a school community, we thank you for your continued support and we look forward to the school year ahead!