



# Immanuel Christian Elementary School

## An Awesome Truth



A very meaningful Bible study that students in grade five (and in other grades) engage in is looking at the Old Testament prophecies and then seeing how they are fulfilled in the New Testament. The students study the messengers of God such as Isaiah and Micah who prophecy hope in the form of a coming Messiah to the people of their day; they then have the privilege of seeing the fulfillment of those prophecies in the Gospels. By looking at this, students see the obvious truth of the Bible. There are over sixty different prophecies, with more than 300 references, of the coming Messiah; all fulfilled. And fulfilled prophecy is one of the most powerful proofs that the Bible truly is the Word of God. We know that all the prophecy about Christ's first coming were fulfilled and we also know that no human writer could be that accurate; the odds of that happening would be astronomical and impossible. Two Peter 1:21 states that "no prophecy recorded in Scripture was ever thought up by the prophet himself. It was the Holy Spirit within these godly men who gave them true messages from God."

Josh McDowell, in his book *Beyond Belief to Convictions* (p. 68) states that "it is nearly unthinkable to imagine that 8 Old Testament prophecies about the Messiah could have come true in one man – let alone the sixty major prophecies that were fulfilled in Jesus of Nazareth – unless, of course, He is (as He claimed) the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who was and is and is to come (Mark 14:61; Revelation 4:8)".

Phillip Keller, in his book *Rabboni* suggests that "the manner in which God chose to come to earth is believed not because men wrote it up that way. It is not a fabrication. It is not a piece of poetic fiction. It is believed simply because it is so. That is how it actually happened." (p. 52) He points out that "the chances that Christ would come as He did, where He did, when He did, in the way He did, all foretold long centuries before, are one in millions upon millions. In such knowledge our spirits are still: Our minds are at rest that the record is reliable." (p. 53)

This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. (1 John 4:9, 10)

On behalf of the staff and students of Immanuel Christian Schools, I would like to extend to our many parents, friends and supporters the joy and peace we share in the birth of Christ. We wish you a blessed Christmas and His guidance through the New Year.

H. Ronda

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## CHAPELS

*"The virgin will be with Child and will give birth to a Son, and they will call Him Immanuel—which means, 'God with us.'"*  
Matthew 1:23

Our time of waiting is almost over. During chapel on **Monday, December 20 (9:00 AM)** we will light the last advent candle.

We will celebrate the birth of Jesus at our Christmas chapel on **Wednesday, December 22, at 9:00 AM.**



## Through God's Eyes

*"Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love."*  
Ephesians 5: 1, 2a

Please join us on:

**Monday, January 17, 2011 at 9:00 AM**

## I.C.E.S. Band Concert

**Thursday, January 20, 2011  
at 2:30 PM**

*Please join us!*



## COMING SOON TO ICES!

**"Grow With Great Books"**

February 3, 4 & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Scholastic, Usborne & Living Books  
Available

More details to follow in January 2011!



## 2010 SKATING GUIDELINES & SCHEDULE

Once again ICES will be having a skating program for the primary grades. Since this is part of the Physical Education course for each grade, it is important that both the child and the parents are aware of what is expected. To ward off any possibility of confusion or misunderstanding, please take note of the following guidelines.

- ◆ Every child must have a skating helmet. This is mandated by the arena. Helmets must fasten properly.
- ◆ All students must have skate guards for their skates. Skates without guards simply cause too much damage to clothes and to the interior of our buses.
- ◆ Children should not be bringing money to buy candy. This is a regular class and such rules apply at the rink as well as at school. Please do not provide treats for students at the arena.
- ◆ Please see that all equipment (skates, guards, helmet, etc.) are properly marked with your child's name. This avoids many tears and headaches. Also, please try to see that your child is dressed appropriately ... it's no fun skating when you're cold.
- ◆ Parents who are coming to help with skate tying should be at the rink 15 minutes in advance.

We thank you for your cooperation and invite as many parents as possible to come and skate with us. Please note that if you bring along pre-school children, they must also wear a skating helmet and will not be allowed on the ice without skates.

### MONDAYS – Kindergarten A/B, Grade 1

January 10, 24, February 14, 28  
1:30 – 2:30 pm

### TUESDAYS – Grade 3A and 3B

January 11, 18, 25, February 1  
1:30 – 2:30 pm

### THURSDAYS – Grade 2A and 2B

January 13, 20, 27, February 3  
1:30 – 2:30 pm

**Location for all sessions at:**

***Adams Ice Center: 9 Ave & 15 St. North***

**Food Bank**  
**Grade 6—Reflections**



- I didn't know so many people needed help.
- Fun, inspiring, tiring and interesting.
- Enjoyed helping packaging gift bags to give to others
- I love it when I help other people because it is not money that I want; it is love. Love is the most important thing on earth and I hope it stays that way.
- I felt good because I was working hard for a good cause.
- What if it was me feeling hungry?
- Decorating the donation food bins was fun.
- How thoughtful the people are to even start up a food bank.
- I thought about helping others by bagging potatoes.
- I felt great helping!!!
- All these people that we are giving food to are hungry, and need Jesus, too.
- I was amazed by all the food, and found the work enjoyable.



"The Lord is good and His love endures forever"  
Psalm 100:5



**ICES MILK PROGRAM**

ICES will continue to offer a pre-paid milk program for February through June for students in Gr.1 – 6.

An order form will be sent home with your child the first week in January showing the payment amounts based on the days students will be at school for lunch (cannot reimburse for days away from class, sorry).

The milk program will begin February 1. Please return the forms and cheques with your child to school by **Friday, January 14.**

**ICES 'HOT LUNCH' PROGRAM**

Thank you for your support for the hot lunch program during the past fall. The second round will begin in Feb. Order forms will be sent out the first day back to school on January 6<sup>th</sup> to order lunches for the period of Feb – June.



Thank you for your support,  
ICS Ladies Auxiliary



**January Birthdays**

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|---------|------------------|
| Jan. 1  | Noah Bezooyen    |
| Jan. 2  | Liana Van Pelt   |
| Jan. 3  | Kyle Elgersma    |
| Jan. 3  | Eden Stasiuk     |
| Jan. 4  | Raegen Post      |
| Jan. 5  | Josh Bosma       |
| Jan. 8  | Brittany Veldman |
| Jan. 10 | Davin Vanee      |
| Jan. 14 | Stanley van Asch |
| Jan. 16 | Brendan Schalk   |
| Jan. 24 | Nathan Hall      |
| Jan. 26 | Martina Van Pelt |
| Jan. 31 | Casandra Molina  |



**ICES Calendar**

- Dec. 20—Advent Chapel—9:00 AM
- Dec. 22—Christmas Chapel—9:00AM
- Dec. 22—Early Dismissal 2:30 PM
- Dec. 23-Jan 5—Christmas Break
- Jan. 7—Hot Dog Day
- Jan. 14—Milk Program Forms Due
- Jan. 17—Chapel—9:00 AM
- Jan. 19—Staff Meeting—Early Dismissal 2:30 PM
- Jan. 20—Gr. 5/6 Band Concert—2:30PM
- Jan. 21—Hot Lunch Day
- Jan. 21—Newsletter Issue Date
- Jan. 31—Teacher Inservice Day (no school)
- Feb. 3, 4, 7—Book Fair
- Feb. 7—Chapel—9:00 AM
- Feb.16—Staff Meeting—Early Dismissal 2:30 PM
- Feb.18—Newsletter Issue Date
- Feb.21—Family Day (no school)
- Feb.21—Family Fun Skate-Nicholas Sheran-7-9PM
- Feb.22—25—Mid Winter Break
- Mar. 3—Participation Drive Dinner





# Immanuel Christian High School



## COLUMBIA ASSISTED LIVING VISIT

On November 26th the grade 8 classes travelled to Columbia Assisted Living Centre in West Lethbridge to complete a biography writing assignment on a senior citizen. During the next week the students compiled the information they gathered and put together a rough copy. Once students had completed their biography (rough copy), we travelled back to the center and shared the biographies with the seniors. The students also took pictures of their seniors to make a calendar. These were presented at the final visit. After the students completed the final copies of their projects, the grade 8's travelled to the seniors home one last time to show the seniors the final copy of their biographies and their calendars.

We had a lot of fun during this project as we got to interact, learn from and get to know some different people.

David Selles & Christian Veldman  
(Student Coordinators)

## INTRAMURAL UPDATE

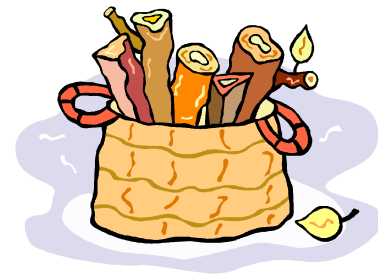
The noon hour of December 10 saw the wrap up of another exciting Junior High Intramural Event. The dodge ball competition proved to be very exciting this year. Many competitors came out in hopes of intramural victory and an opportunity to hurl sponge balls at classmates and teachers. The round robin offered tense excitement as Team 3 was able to hand the teachers their first Jr. High intramural loss in the past 18 months! The teachers were able to make amends as they defeated team 3 in a very evenly matched final. Mrs. Christiansen proved to be a valuable asset with her laser-like throws and unusual positioning. Thanks to all the participants for fun and well-played games.

Team 3 consisted of the following players: **Travis Vande Munt, Tyson Procee, Brendon Degner, Anna Jordan, John-Willem Bouma, Bryan Van Belle, Davis Konynenbelt and Jordan Veldman.**



## JR. HIGH CHRISTMAS SKATING PARTY

On Wednesday, December 22, Junior High students will leave school at 12:15 and return by 2:00 – early dismissal at 2:30 – for their annual Christmas skating party. Skates must have skate guards or be in a strong bag and helmets are mandatory. Shinny hockey will be available for those who like to play.



## FIREWOOD FOR SALE

The Senior Band and Choir are selling firewood to raise money for the upcoming Spring Musi-cale. Firewood is available immediately. A half truck load for \$60.00 or a full truck load for \$110.00. (1/2 ton truck) If you are interested please call Charlene Heins, (403-329-1573) ASAP as the wood will be delivered to the school Saturday, December 18. Thank you for your support.

## JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH

This monthly award is a partnership with the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce's "Adopt a Citizen of Tomorrow". Each month a student in each grade (7 to 9) is selected based on the following criteria:

- \* Positive attitude
- \* Good attendance
- \* Acts of citizenship
- \* Best effort (Most improved)

We congratulate the following students:

### September

Grade 7: Katie Moedt

Grade 8: Christian Veldman

Grade 9: Amber Saito

### October

Grade 7: Braden Konynenbelt

Grade 8: Grace Dada

Grade 9: Aaron Groenenboom

### November

Grade 7: Clayton Jonker

Grade 8: Alex Lokhorst

Grade 9: Riley Vanee

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## GRAD COMMITTEE UPDATE

The class of 2011 would like to thank all those who supported their fundraising activities. So far we have sold fruit, flowers and cash vault books.

The graduation committee has been active over the past month or so. They are currently working on the grad trip and hope to have some planning done before the Christmas break. The Grad Hoodies have arrived and have been distributed to those who have paid for them. Grad Pictures will be organized the same way as last year: students need to make an appointment for a time slot during the third week of January. Our photographer will be here after the Christmas break to make a presentation to the students about the possibilities and potentials of their photo session.

Updated information about the grad planning can be found on our Grad 2011 site - a link to which can be found on our school's website: <http://ichs.icssa.ca>

## SENIOR HIGH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH DECEMBER

**Grade 10** - Eveline Dyck is a new student in our school this year and she has made the transition to life at ICHS smoothly. Eveline is attentive in class and asks well thought out questions during class discussions. Her high grades are a reflection of the amount of effort that she puts into school; she is engaged in the learning process and her dedication is an encouragement to her peers.

Congratulations Eveline, and keep up the good work.

**Grade 11** - Taylor Brandsma is a joy to teach because she is never satisfied with surface level explanations, especially on difficult topics/questions. It is easy to see that her mind is constantly weighing the multiple sides of a discussion, not accepting what everyone else accepts as face value. She determines her own opinion on subjects, but only after careful consideration of all available facts. Taylor also pushes herself academically and is diligent when completing her homework.

Keep up the great work Taylor and continue to challenge yourself and others.

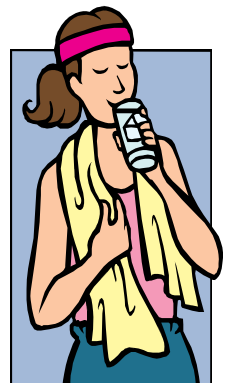
**Grade 12** - Shelby Konynenbelt is a student who is engaged in learning in all of her classes. She asks questions and makes comments that show her understanding and desire to learn. That she works hard outside of class shows in her desire to help her classmates once she finishes her own work. Shelby's great attitude and extremely hard work make her an excellent candidate for student of the month.

Congratulations, Shelby!

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## THANK YOU

Thank you to the Forsters for their donation of a water bottle filling station which is attached to the water fountain in our main hallway. This has already been well used by staff and students alike and will continue to be utilized and appreciated for years to come.



## SENIOR HIGH SPORTSBEAT

December at ICHS means that the color of the ball used in the gym changes from white to orange. The volleyball season is behind us and the first few basketball games of the year have been played. This is always a great time of year to reflect on what has happened and look forward to upcoming events.

This year our volleyball teams saw big changes as both the boys and the girls teams had new coaches. On the boys side Rev. Kuyper (Granum) took over the head coaching duties and led the 2010 campaign. It was amazing to have someone like him help out our program and use his experience and leadership in coaching our boys. Eli Van Waas helped out with the JV program and his work was also appreciated. Coaching volleyball means you need to give up 4 or 5 weekends along with 2 or 3 nights a week, so their efforts are certainly appreciated. If you see Rev. Kuyper encourage him to fulfill the 5 year coaching contract I want him to sign.

Our girls' team had a variety of people helping out the program. Mrs. Lisa Bandstra served as the staff rep and stabilizing force on the team. Jesse Dyck and Justine Veldman provided the volleyball knowledge and most of the coaching instruction. Liz Wever focused on the JV program with the help of Mackenzie Renner and her sister Irene. Together, the coaches worked out their schedules to ensure that the girls were always looked after and well coached. All of our volleyball teams had excellent seasons, with both of the varsity teams coming agonizingly close to winning zones and claiming a spot at the provincial tourney.

We are now right in the middle of basketball season. Our high school boys are once again being coached by the very able crew of Matthew Bekkering, Cam Stromsmoe and Jason Ferrie. Rev. Jordan (Nobleford) will also be giving them some support when he can. The girls have their veteran coaches Wendy Procee and Joe Groenenboom back and they are looking for their fourth straight provincial title! Scott Forster will be coaching the JV girls in addition to his duties with the grade 9 girls. He is in for another busy year of volunteering at ICHS. Early play has seen our girls win the Winston Churchill Tournament and receive the sportsmanship trophy at the LCI Green & Gold Tourney. The boys have won the consolation side of LCI's Green & Gold. Our Alumni Tourney is scheduled for Tuesday and

Wednesday (Dec 28 & 29) in the Eagle Dome. This year all registrations will be done via Facebook. Therefore, if you want to play, register online or call me at 403-381-4461. The tourney is open to all past Eagles and coaches. We would love to see many of you come out and support us that weekend. In the new year we have our JV Classic on January 14 & 15 and we would love to see you there as well. A full schedule is in this newsletter and our school website. We look forward to seeing you at the Eagle Dome! Please find the time to attend a few games this year and support our school; it's a great way to build community!

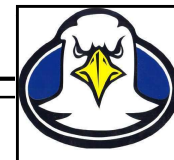
Mr. DK  
ICHS Athletics



### BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec 16-18	Boys & Girls SV Tourney Kate Andrews
Dec 28-29	Alumni Tourney
Jan 6	Boys at Kate Andrews
Jan 7-8	SV Girls at Cardston Tourney
Jan 7-8	JV Boys at Chinook
Jan 13	Boys home to Stirling Girls at Stirling
Jan 14-15	JV Boys & Girls Eagles Classic
Jan 17	Boys at Willow Creek Girls home to Willow Creek
Jan 28-29	SV Boys at "Superman" Three Hills Tourney

Check out team schedules on our website:  
[ichs.icssa.ca](http://ichs.icssa.ca)



### EAGLE WEAR

Eagle sports bags, yoga pants, polo shirts... these would all make great Christmas gifts! Please check out our supply of Eagle wear. We also have some hoodies, non hooded sweat shirts and long sleeved tees in various sizes as well as men's sweatpants in large sizes only.

All our Eagle wear is very good quality and wears well while promoting our school. Check out our supply at the Front Office at ICHS.



## CHAPEL CONCEPTS

**Pastor Fraser** from First CRC spoke at the November 16, 2010 Sr. High Chapel.

Pastor Fraser spoke of the blessing of work. From Genesis chapter 1 and 2, he showed that up until the fall, work was something that God created for us to do, and that it was good. After the fall, God states in Genesis 3:17-19 that work would become hard. However, as Pastor Fraser pointed out, many passages show that work has been redeemed by the work of Christ. Ephesians 2:7-9 and Colossians 3:23-4:1 talk of this redemption of work.

Pastor Fraser then challenged Christians who are employees now, and those who are or may be employers in the future to show that we have been redeemed by how we work and how we treat employees. Pastor Fraser ended with a challenge to students: use your work to make a difference for Christ.

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December 1, 2010

Speaker: **Pastor Sinclair** from Iron Springs CRC  
As Christians, we are all called to some form of Kingdom service. As Pastor Sinclair pointed out, one of those callings is the call to missions. He spoke of his personal experiences as a missionary in Africa, and looked to Acts 26:19-20 as a scriptural example of the call to missions. Prior to these verses, Paul, on trial for his faith, told the story of his conversion and commission to preach the gospel to the Gentiles. In these two verses, he tells those judging him that he was simply obeying the calling that God had given to him. Pastor Sinclair pointed out that God will call some people to missions, and that other jobs may have more comfort, more esteem, more money, or be closer to home. However, if God calls us, our job is to listen and obey.

Pastor Sinclair pointed out that some are called to go, and some are called to stay. Both are important, and both are necessary. He also pointed out that being a missionary does not mean that a person give up their specializations, because specialists are needed. Specialists in radio, broadcasting, literacy, pilots, professors and evangelists are all required. So how do we know if God is calling us? How can we listen to His call? We need to pray for God's will for our lives to be revealed to us. He will reveal His

will to us as we read God's word, as we listen to Him while we pray, and through the comments from Godly people around us. If we feel God's call, we need to listen. The specifics of where we could serve, and for how long, and when would depend on God's call for our lives. Research into opportunities can start with the internet. There are many Christian missions organizations; if you are feeling God's call, or want to support them, check them out. Pastor Sinclair mentioned a few: CRWM ([www.crcna.org/pages/crwm.cfm](http://www.crcna.org/pages/crwm.cfm)), YWAM ([www.ywam.org](http://www.ywam.org)), Wycliffe Bible Translators ([www.wycliffe.ca](http://www.wycliffe.ca)) and Mission Aviation Fellowship ([www.maf.org](http://www.maf.org)) were 4 that he mentioned for a start.

Pastor Sinclair ended his challenge to listen to God's call with Romans 10:15: "How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news." If our feet are to be "beautiful" as we share God's mercy and grace with those who do not know, we must be obedient to God's call, and GO!

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**Brett Ullman** of Worlds Apart - November 25/10  
Brett spoke to the entire student body about the relationship between faith, culture and media. He spoke based Romans 12:1-3 and Ephesians 6:10:18. He began talking about how inappropriate sexuality seems to pervade much of our popular culture. He challenged students to carefully think through their music choices, pointing to the lack of good lyrical content of artists like Katy Perry, Usher and Rihanna. Brett also challenged students to think hard about the types of media that they watch or listen to. One challenge that Brett presented was to watch sitcoms with a notepad. Record every sexual reference, crude joke or inappropriate reference. Read over this sheet when you are done watching, and ask if this matches up with what we want to fill our minds with. Another sign of this pervasive sexualisation of culture can be found in the fact that pornography used to be restricted to XXX theatres, but now can be found on mainstream TV. All of this requires that we as Christians be very vigilant about the viewing choices that we make.

Another concern of Brett's was the problem of self-injury, which he defined as a range of self-

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injurious choices ranging from drug and alcohol use to eating disorders to cutting to suicide. He pointed out that not talking about these things doesn't mean they don't exist, but rather said that they do, and as Christians we need to by Jesus' hands and feet to help people who deal with these issues. He advised students who knew of friends who were dealing with these things to be there for their friend, but also to then let appropriate adults (parents, teachers, pastors) know so that their friend could get help.

Brett talked about drawing a line regarding the media we allow into our lives, and the media we do not allow in. This line cannot be based on our whims, but must instead be based on the Bible. One principle that he pointed towards in terms of the media we allow into our lives is the standard pointed to in Philippians 4:8, "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."

Finally, Brett ended with a challenge for students to grow to be more like Christ, and gave five different ways that they could do that. First, find time to be alone and quiet before God so that they can hear God's still small voice. Second, give of their time and money to do something for the world around us. The third continues from this: give service to others – shovel, mow and have non-Christian friends. Fourth, Brett encouraged students to worship, not just in church but with their lives. Finally, he encouraged the students to pray, fast, and study. Pray – without ceasing; fast – give up something for something bigger; study – read the Bible. As Brett pointed out, these disciplines do not provide salvation, but should rather be our grateful response for what Jesus has done for us.

Chapels summarized by Jeremy Poettcker



## UPCOMING CHAPELS

Dec. 22 - All school Christmas Chapel  
Jan. 11 - Jr. High Chapel  
Jan. 18 - Sr. High Chapel  
All three of these chapels will begin at 8:50 a.m.  
Everyone is welcome to attend.

# ICHS Calendar

Dec 22 Jr. High Skating 12:30 – 2:00  
Dec 22 Early Dismissal 2:30  
Last Day of School in the year 2010!

## Have a blessed Christmas!

Dec 28-29 Alumni Basketball Tourney

## Happy New Year!

Jan 6 First day of school in 2011  
Jan 7 Hot Dog Day  
Jan 14-15 JV S/H Eagles Classic BB Tourney  
Jan 19 LA Hot Lunch - Chili  
Jan 19 Early Dismissal 2:30  
Jan 21 January Newsletter Distribution  
Jan 29-30 "B" Teams Birds of Prey BB Tourney  
Jan 31 Semester Break – no school  
Jan 31 Jr. High Ski Trip  
Feb 1 Start new semester  
Feb 7 Report cards - Jr & Sr High  
Feb 21 Family Funskate  
Mar 3 Participation Drive Dinner  
(please note date correction)



## LAW DAY

On Saturday, April 27, 2010 a number of our students participated in Law Day at the court house. We recently received this note from the Lethbridge Law Day Committee 2010 along with a gift certificate to Chapters.

*"Immanuel Christian High School and Frank de-Walle Esq.*

*Congratulations on your clear win at Law Day 2010's Mock Trial competition. Your preparation and presentation exceeded everyone's expectations and you should be very proud of yourselves. Justice Hembraff was very pleased with your delivery, your proper decorum and overall conduct. We are very hopeful that you will agree to participate in 2011 and as well hope that you enjoy the small token of appreciation we have enclosed."*

# Society/Community News

## CONDOLENCES

“For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given,  
and the government will be on His shoulders.

And He will be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, **Prince of Peace.**”  
Isaiah 9:6

We extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Bill Miedema and Mr. Albert Kolk, both who passed away in November. We also offer our sympathy to Melissa & Trevor Bezooyan, Nadyne and Sean Alaric, Gene & Cheryl Schalk, Richard & Marlies Schalk and Darryl & Lisa Schalk and their families as they have recently lost loved ones.

It is our hope and prayer that the Prince of Peace would be very real to you during this season of grieving and yet rejoicing as we remember our King, His coming and what He accomplished at Calvary.

## 2011 FAMILY FUN SKATE

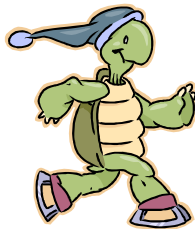
Monday, February 21, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Nicholas Sheran Arena

Everyone is Welcome!

Organized by the Nobleford Local

All profits to benefit ICES and ICHS



**A Note from the Business Office:** A reminder that if you would like to pay your membership or make a donation before the end of the year, it needs to be post marked on or before December 31, 2010 to qualify for a 2010 tax receipt. Thank you.

Copies of the  
Annual Education Results Report  
for 2009/2010 have been filed with  
**Alberta Learning**  
and can be viewed online at  
[www.immanuelchristian.org](http://www.immanuelchristian.org)

## CREATIVE COOKS CATERING

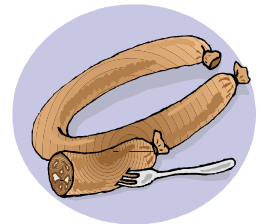
For any occasion needing catering  
\* Weddings \* Anniversaries \*  
\* Birthdays \* Christmas Parties \*

All proceeds go to the  
Society for Christian Education in Southern  
Alberta

Contact John or Leny Schalk, 381-4982

## FOR SALE

Fine Metworst (\$14 for 2 rings)  
Chicken Wings (\$48 for 4 kg)  
Contact the Business Office  
(403-327-4223) during regular  
business hours



## Eagles Alumni Basketball Tourney

Tuesday, December 28 to  
Wednesday, December 29, 2010.

This year all registrations will be done via Facebook. Therefore, if you want to play, register online or call Mr. D.K. at 403-381-4461. Check Facebook for a complete schedule.

**The best concession in Southern Alberta will  
be open all tourney!**



# TRIP NEWS

## December 2010



### Thank you



Thank you to the many families who have supported the TRIP program this year and to the many new families who started. Your continued participation is greatly appreciated.

Instant TRIP will be open on January 3, 2011 and regular weekly orders will begin January 6, 2011.

The Business Office would like to wish you all God's richest blessings during this Christmas Season. May His peace and love fill your hearts and homes today and all through the coming year. Have a safe and happy Holiday Season.

### November Profit Sharing

Tuition Assistance Fund - \$ 513.16  
Parent Tuition Accounts - \$ 513.16

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Benita or Denise in the Business Office at 403-327-4223 during regular office hours.

We are once again approaching the end of a year and with it comes the excitement of time off school or the pleasure of time off work. As well, there are the opportunities to spend some time together with family and friends. May we all find some time in the coming weeks to reflect on the past year and the many blessing we have received. I hope we can all stop and take stock of where we are and whether we are strengthening our relationships with each other and our Lord. I pray you all receive a blessing this Christmas and feel the might of those baby hands that reached out from the manger to embrace us feeble humans and eventually embraced the cross that washed us all with the grace of God. I would encourage each one of us to find an opportunity this Christmas season to actively share the grace and love of Jesus with someone hurting or struggling.

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

Leighton Kolk - Chair



## Concept Minutes for the Board Meeting Held November 17, 2010

1. Devotions and opening by Scott Van't Land.
2. Agenda approved.
3. MSC to approve minutes of October 13, 2010 board meeting.
4. Report heard from Principal Search Committee.
5. Darren Adamson from YPM was welcomed to the meeting.
6. Finance Committee
  - a. MSC to approve audited Financial Statements.
  - b. Darren was thanked and he left the meeting.
  - c. MSC to approve the revised Alberta Learning Budget. (copy attached)
7. MSC to approve one family with 2 students (gr. 11 & 8).
8. Education Committee
  - a. MSC to approve athletic coaches for the 2010/2011 school year.
  - b. MSC to approve out of town sports trips.
  - c. MSC to approve our membership in the Southern Alberta Learning Resource Center.
9. Principal reports given by Rob vanSpronsen and Henry Ronda.
10. MSC to approve speaker for the Participation Drive on March 3, 2011.
11. Report heard from PACS
  - a. MSC to approve Membership Resolutions from Task Force.
12. Next meeting scheduled for December 15, 2010.
13. Marianne Vos closed in prayer.

Private School Authority Code: 9041  
 School Code: 0305,6491

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
 for the Year Ending August 31  
 (in dollars)

	Budget 2010 / 2011	Projected 2009 / 2010	ACTUAL 2008 / 2009 (Note 1)
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Alberta Education	\$2,399,456	\$2,559,995	\$3,200,889
Other Government of Alberta	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Government and/or First Nations	\$1,500	\$0	\$0
Other Alberta school authorities	\$0	\$0	\$0
Instruction fees / Tuition fees	\$370,000	\$1,186,730	\$1,568,315
Non-instructional (O&M*, Transportation, Admin fees, etc.)	\$1,096,981	\$170,000	\$221,317
Other sales and services	\$118,400	\$134,120	\$18,900
Interest on investments	\$0	\$5,000	\$10,429
Gifts and donations	\$315,800	\$434,520	\$453,734
Net school generated funds	\$525,000	\$500,000	\$0
Amortization of capital allocations	\$146,000	\$155,770	\$250,961
Other (specify):	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$4,973,137</b>	<b>\$5,146,135</b>	<b>\$5,724,545</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Certificated salaries	\$2,123,388	\$2,432,433	\$2,590,368
Certificated benefits	\$297,968	\$328,309	\$452,169
Non-certificated salaries and wages	\$767,378	\$838,192	\$999,900
Non-certificated Benefits	\$106,000	\$116,901	\$75,508
Services, contracts and supplies	\$782,435	\$737,201	\$1,162,600
Net school generated funds	\$525,000	\$500,000	\$0
Capital and debt services			
Amortization of capital assets	\$263,000	\$273,698	\$371,306
Interest on capital debt	\$54,000	\$44,589	\$53,157
Other interest charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
Losses (gains) on disposal of capital assets	\$0	(\$154,000)	\$5,719
Other (specify):	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$4,919,169</b>	<b>\$5,117,323</b>	<b>\$5,710,727</b>
<b>SURPLUS(DEFICIT) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$53,968</b>	<b>\$28,812</b>	<b>\$13,818</b>

1. Audited Financial Statements (AFS) as submitted to Alberta Education pursuant to Section 28(6) of the School Act;  
 Private Schools Regulation 190/2000, Section 15 or as restated.  
 \* O&M - Operations and Maintenance of Schools

BUDGETED ALLOCATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENSES TO SPECIFIED SUB-PROGRAMS (Grades K to 12)				
Sub-Program Classification	Home Education	ECS	Grades 1 to 12	Total Expenses
Early Literacy (EL)			\$8,921	\$8,921
English as a Second Language		\$0	\$0	\$0
First Nations, Metis, and Inuit			\$0	\$0
Mild/Moderate Disabilities				
Gifted and Talented		\$17,066	\$0	\$17,066
Program Unit (PU)		\$0		\$0
Severe Disabilities			\$82,325	\$82,325
Student Health	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AISII)	\$0	\$2,230	\$41,862	\$44,092

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1. Devotions and opening by Marianne Vos.
2. Agenda approved.
3. MSC to approve minutes of November 17, 2010 meeting.
4. Business arising from the minutes
  - a. Corrected date of Participation Drive dinner to March 3, 2011 from March 10, 2011.
  - b. Finance Committee – received positive feedback from Society regarding presentation of financials at recent SCESA meeting.
5. Tuition Review Committee reported.
6. Transportation Committee reported.
  - a. MSC to approve substitute bus driver.
7. PACS committee reported.
8. Employee Relations Committee reported.
  - a. Looking for another member at large to represent the SCESA.
9. Promotion Committee reported.
  - a. Discussion on possible celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the SCESA in 2012.
10. Principal Search Committee
  - a. Applications have been submitted and are being reviewed.
11. Education Committee reported.
  - a. MSC to approve the French 30 class of 2011 plans to go to Paris for their French trip.
12. ICHS Principal reported.
  - a. MSC to approve junior high basketball team plans to attend Calgary Christian School tournament on Jan. 7 & 8, 2011.
  - b. MSC to approve the combined annual education results report for the 2010/2011 school year and the 3 year education plan on the website.
  - c. MSC to approve several Ladies' Auxiliary donations to the High School.
13. ICES Principal reported.
14. Next meeting scheduled for January 19, 2011.
15. Jim Bouma closed in prayer.



# Thanks

The Bazaar Committee would like to thank the many volunteers, family and friends who helped make the 2010 Bazaar a success.

With the Lord's blessing and everyone's help  
**\$87,000.00**  
was raised for our schools.

Your willingness to donate, organize, plan, entertain, solicit, serve, auction, sell and clean was a great help. We thank you for your help and generosity while contributing to a warm sense of fellowship and community.