

MISSION: "TO PROVIDE A CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH GOD CALLS ALL HIS CHILDREN TO DEVELOP AND USE THEIR GIFTS FOR JOYFUL SERVICE IN HIS KINGDOM."

I.C.S. CONNECTION

Immanuel Christian Elementary School

The Power of Encouragement

Throughout the year I've had a chance to reflect on the power and purpose of Christian community. Aside from being a theme for this year's newsletter covers, the topic of Christian community is very relevant when we think about joining with others in carrying out our mission as a Christian school.

Recently I attended a Christian school principals' conference. In one of our sessions we were asked to think about a teacher that made a difference in our lives and the qualities these teachers had that made them stand out. A variety of thoughts were expressed, but I couldn't help but notice how often the highlighted quality was a form of encouragement. Comments like "he believed in me", or "she took the time to get to know me as a person" were frequent as professional educators recalled experiences that had occurred 20 to 30 years ago. What about these experiences makes them so vivid, despite the length of time that had elapsed since then?

There is a saying in education that goes "students don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care". The challenge for teachers is obvious, but based on my recollection of the principals' conference, I'm led to believe this also applies to those of us who are no longer in grade school. These sentiments are echoed in Proverbs 16:24 which says "pleasant words bring healing to the bones".

The power of encouragement is also noticeable when one is in an atmosphere where it is lacking. People who become too focused on self, seem to have little to give to others. Augustine wrote "if you believe what you like in the gospels, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe, but yourself". The Bible teaches that this viewpoint has more in common with pride than it does the transformational message of Scripture. In contrast to this Proverbs 11:25 tells us that "a generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will be refreshed".

Encouragement should not be confused with patronizing others. Encouragement is genuine; it is an approach, a mindset and not merely words. Also, encouragement should not be confused with letting things go, or not holding others accountable. I think that when we love others, there are times when we need to challenge them in Christian love. However, the goal is always to help the person and not to prop ourselves up by pointing out the deficiencies in others. Sharing our trials and tribulations is important in developing community. Encouraging others in fulfilling our calling to God is essential for having Christian community flourish. Psalm 34:18 reminds us that the "Lord is often close to the brokenhearted". An important question to ask is: how often does He call us to be His voice in this area?

At Immanuel we have been blessed by God with a strong sense of community. Let's remember that part of being godly means recognizing others as image-bearers and encouraging them to be the people God created them to be.

J. Visser

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Sports Day

On **Friday, June 1**, we will hold our annual "Sports Day". The events will begin at approximately 10:45 a.m. You are welcome to join us!

Students will have the opportunity to buy a hamburger and drink for \$1.00. The Iron Springs Local will also be selling ice cream treats for \$1.00. A note has been sent home with every student to place an order for hamburgers and ice cream treats, please return these notes to each student's teacher prior to May 28. Parents and friends also have the opportunity to buy hamburgers and ice cream treats, so feel free to take a loonie or two along and enjoy.



PLEASE NOTE: If your child will not be at Sports Day, please notify her/his teacher as soon as possible.

Theme Chapel

Monday, June 11, 2012 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

As image bearers of a loving God, students will learn how to discern what is most important. God calls us to put Him and His way first in all we do.

Please join us!

Year End Assembly / Band Concert Tuesday, June 19, 2012

We are combining our Year End Assembly and the Band concert on Tuesday, June 19 at 2:00 PM

We will acknowledge the Grade 6 students moving on to Grade 7. We will also have the opportunity to listen to the Grade 5 and 6 Bands.

Please join us!



All Kindergarten families as well as those families who have children starting Kindergarten in September are invited to:

KINDERGARTEN FAMILY EVENING SWIM

Where: Nicholas Sheran Leisure Recreation Center

Date: Saturday, June 2, 2012

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$12.00 per family (4 or more)

\$ 8.00 per family (3 or less)



Band Registrations 2012/2013 School Year

This month we will introduce the Grade 4 students to the band instruments and will be handing out registration packages for next year's Grade 5 band!

For those students in this year's Grade 6 band, we hope to see you in the ICHS Grade 7 band next year! The work you have put in at the Elementary School will really begin to pay off in Junior High.

Mrs. C. Heins

Grade 5 Floor Hockey Tournament

On Friday, April 27, 2012 the grade 5 students from ICES took part in a floor hockey tournament with Taber Christian School. The action was great as there were a lot of shots and saves as well as a few bumps and bruises. The tournament was divided into boys and girls divisions, with all of the games being close (there were a number of shootouts needed to break ties, and one game that refused to be "untied"). After the tournament was over, students and parents were able to enjoy some refreshments and head back to Lethbridge. Thanks to our grade 5 students for their enthusiasm and sportsmanship and a special thanks to Taber Christian school for hosting the event.



KINDERGARTEN DATES TO REMEMBER

May 26:

Lethbridge Preschool Screening "Child Development Checkups" (no charge) at the Lethbridge Family Center: call 320-4232, ext. 226

Saturday, June 2: Kindergarten Family Swim: 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Nicholas Sheran Pool. For current (2011-12) and new (2012-13) Kindergarten families.

Tuesday, June 12: One hour small group introduction/brief Speech & Language assessment for kindergarten students registered for 2012-2013.

Tuesday, June 19, 7:30 PM: Parent Orientation Meeting for new Kindergarten parents.

Don't miss out! Invitations have been sent out for Kindergarten 2012/2013 Orientation in June—but you need to be registered so we can keep you informed!



CELEBRATING

50
ICS
YEARS

50 Year Anniversary Celebration Update

As you know, this will be the 50th year of operation for Immanuel Christian schools. The festivities commemorating this event are planned for the weekend of June 8 and 9. On Saturday, June 9th, we will have an open house at Immanuel Christian Elementary School. This will go from 11am – 2pm. Come purchase a BBQ lunch from the ICHS Senior Choir members. At 12:30, we will do a short program in the gym and at 1pm the ICES students will sing for 15 – 20 minutes from the top of the playground hill (weather permitting).

Obviously this is a very busy time of year, but we ask that you come and bring your son(s) and/or daughter(s) to help us celebrate this event.

For more information on the 50 year anniversary celebration weekend in general, go to the school's website: www.immanuelchristian.org and follow the prompts.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the school.

ICES Library News for 2011/2012

We have had a great year in the library at ICES. It's hard to believe we are in the month of May and summer is on the way!!

The students continue to be challenged with reading in the AR Program and through their teachers. As we wind down the school year their enthusiasm for reading doesn't seem to lessen. This is great news because this shows our students love to read! So moms and dads make sure you make use of the **Lethbridge Public Library** or **other libraries** where you live!! They have great resources and often have reading contests and programs for the summer to keep your children reading.

The "Library Bag" continues to be helpful in keeping books clean and together, that is if the students use them outside of the school. The novelty of using a bag is wearing off and some students are becoming neglectful in using them, especially the older kids. Please remind your children to keep their books in their bags.

THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR YEAR END

Accelerated Reader will wrap up on June 1.

All Books should be returned to the library by June 8.

All fines for lost or damaged books must be paid by June 15. Notices will be sent out.

Have a GREAT summer and don't forget to read a book!!

Mrs. Schellenberg



Evergreen Theatre

On Wednesday, May 9, actors from Evergreen Theatre came to do a presentation at for K-6 students at ICES. Two actors demonstrated the workings of our immune systems and how it fights off germs, infection etc. The presentation was very creative in that it involved an elaborate set, music, props and some student participants in the process of entertaining and teaching our student body about the value of good hygiene.



Grade 6 Orientation

Every year the Grade 6 class gets the opportunity to visit ICHS. This enables the Grade 6 students to have a smooth transition to Grade 7. Information will be sent home with students once a date has been set.



Parent Information In Regards to Achievement Testing

Grade 3 and Grade 6 Alberta Provincial Achievement Testing Parent Guide may be viewed on the Alberta Education Website at: <http://education.alberta.ca/parents/resources/exams.aspx>

LOST AND FOUND



Every year students lose articles or neglect to bring them home. However, these items on occasion do show up in the school's "lost and found" boxes. Therefore we will be putting all the winter items that have accumulated this year on tables in the front foyer on Sports Day. So please come in and check for any lost items on these tables as well as on the boot racks. **Any items left in these boxes and on the boot racks will be donated to the Bibles for Missions Thrift Store after Sports Day.**

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Jun	1	Doren Diaz
Jun	1	Carter Leenstra
Jun	3	Jayne Collar
Jun	3	Alia Holtrop
Jun	6	Yeshi Wakbulcho
Jun	7	Kyra Veenendaal
Jun	8	Steven Schalk
Jun	13	Mercedes Klassen
Jun	19	Daymond Vande Munt
Jun	22	River Peters
Jun	23	Olivia Leenstra
Jun	24	Logan Konynenbelt
Jun	26	Taylor Withage
Jun	28	Erica Van Pelt
Jun	30	Bethannie Lobbezoo

Mothers Who Care

... "Then all the believers were united as they lifted their voices in prayer..."
Acts 4:24

Can you spare a morning or two a month praying for our children? Each Tuesday morning Mom's Who Care meet from 9-10 AM to pray for our school community, our students and our staff. Feel free to join us, we would love to have you!



ICES Calendar

- May 21—Victoria Day (No School)
- Jun. 1—Sports Day
- Jun. 2—Kindergarten Family Swim—6:30-8:30
Nicholas Sheran Pool
- Jun. 11—Theme Chapel—9:00 AM
- Jun. 12—Grade 3 Language Arts Part B—9 AM
- Jun. 13—Staff Meeting—Early Dismissal 2:30 PM
- Jun. 14—Grade 3 Mathematics—9 AM
- Jun. 14—Grade 6 Social Studies—9 AM
- Jun. 15—Grade 6 Language Arts Part B—9 AM
- Jun. 15—Hot Lunch Day
- Jun. 15—Newsletter Issue Date
- Jun. 15—Kindergarten Celebration 7 PM
- Jun. 18—Grade 6 Mathematics—9 AM
- Jun. 19—Grade 6 Science—9 AM
- Jun. 19—Yearend Assembly/Band Concert—2 PM
- Jun. 19—Kindergarten Parent Orientation Meeting—
7:30 PM
- Jun. 21—Last Day of School: School Picnic—Early
Dismissal 2:30 PM

2012/2013 School Year

- Sept. 4 - First Day of School
- Oct. 17-19 - Teacher's Convention
- Dec. 24 - Jan. 4 - Christmas Holidays
- Feb. 18 - 22 - Family Day & Family Week
- Mar. 29—Apr.5 - Easter Holidays
- June 21 - ICES Last Day of School





Immanuel Christian High School



ART'S ALIVE

The art show at the SAAG opened with aplomb this year as they are celebrating the 35th anniversary of Art's Alive. All Lethbridge schools are involved, both private and public. Art work is chosen by the teachers in each school and brought to the SAAG. A work bee is scheduled and the art teachers come and clean glass, mat the pictures and put them in the frames. The staff of SAAG takes over from there, hanging and placing the art work in time for the opening gala that takes place on the first Sunday of the event. Speeches are given by representatives of the government and of the school districts. This is also the time when awards are given out. A few are selected through random draws, but there are also awards for student work chosen from all the work presented in the gallery. This annual event is a visual delight and usually draws a large crowd. This year two of our students won an award. The award came with a plaque of recognition and a monetary gift. Michael Bandstra received the Grade 6 - 9 award for his painting and Cassidy Taekema received the 3-D award in the Art 30 category for her multi-medium self-portrait.

Congratulations to you both! The art show is open to the public until June 10.

Mrs. Suzie Dalton

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LOST & FOUND

Over the course of the school year, many articles have made their way into the lost and found. Please check out the tables that will be set up in the front foyer during report card pick-up times for missing clothing items. Smaller items like jewelry, watches and eye glasses are kept at the front office. Left-over items will be donated to the Bible for Missions Thrift Store after July 6.

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LAW DAY 2012

On Saturday, April 28, seven ICHS students participated in a mock trial at the Lethbridge Courthouse. This is the fourth year running that ICHS has participated in the annual Law Day events. This year, Hannah and Shelby Forster, Zach and Sammy Hampton, Ben Crooks, Rachel Vroom and Paul Greidanus took on the challenging role of the defense in a civil defamation trial. What they were unaware of at the time, however, is that they would be facing articling law students. Nevertheless, with assistance along the way from Mr. Frank de Walle, David Cavilla, and Matt Sommerfeldt, they won the case, eliciting high praise from the presiding judge. He noted their hard work, knowledge of the law, and their desire to serve the public good, which are all ideals we strive for at this school. This was all true as they spent many hours after school putting together a script and debating strategies and points of law. Any allegation that the timely fainting spell of a witness on the stand during the trial brought about a sympathy judgement, is totally false. However it certainly did meet the criteria of adding drama to the case. Congratulations to all involved for their dedication and hard work.

Mr. Harley Middel

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YEAR END BAND & CHOIR CONCERT

7:00 P.M. - JUNE 14, 2012

AT TRINITY REFORMED CHURCH

A freewill offering will be taken to support our music programs.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

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GRADUATION 2012

Courageous

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you where ever you go." (Joshua 1:9)

With thankfulness to our Heavenly Father, the graduating class of 2012, Immanuel Christian High School, cordially invites you to their Graduation Ceremony on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 starting at 5:30 PM. It will be held at Trinity Reformed Church – 1100 – 40th Avenue, North.

Update for Students & Parents

- A grad rehearsal is scheduled for Tuesday, June 26. We will first meet at the school at 12:30 PM for a pizza lunch and then head out to Trinity for the rehearsal. All grads are expected to be there.
 - The dinner banquet will be held at Trinity Reformed Church starting at 7:30 PM.
 - Students will be given their updated grad account balances by end of this month, which will include the graduation ceremony fees but does not include the cost of dinner tickets. Dinner tickets will be sold separately. Account balances include the cost of the grad trip, grad hoodie, sitting fee for grad pictures, a personal Grads of 2012 group picture, and for those who ordered one – a yearbook.
- We will have a photographer present all day on June 27. He will be taking casual pictures throughout the day as well as during the evening. He will produce an album and from that students and parents can order prints at a reasonable cost. (See the article in the next column for more information).

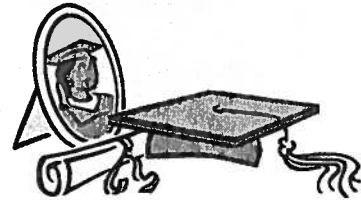
THANKS

Grade 12 graduation fundraising is completed. We would like to take a moment and say a very big thank you to those who supported our various fundraisers this year: apples, poinsettias, cash vault books, and spring flowers. The students did very well because of your generosity.

Grad & Parents: Tony Kok will again be photographing the grad day in a more casual way. He will be available at Henderson Park all afternoon (or wherever they will be) for grad photos, family pics, or friends pictures. Images of the afternoon, ceremony, dinner etc will be available for purchase on a CD with anywhere from 500 - 800 images of the "day". If you would like to book a session that day (morning, afternoon or another day) and want to purchase only those images please contact Tony before the grad day. Another option for viewing or purchasing single images of the day is the availability of doing so off Tony's web site. This will be password protected and only grad families will have the password.

A CD of the day will be \$35.00 or pre-order one @ \$30.00 Phone 403-732-4292 for more info, order a CD or to book a time for private photo session or email: tonykarenk@hotmail.com

Web: www.onlinepictureproof.com/tkphotography



Attention Grade 12 Students!

You may be eligible to receive an award or bursary through the ICS Endowment Fund. Applications are now being accepted for consideration for the following awards:

- Bill Zuidhof Memorial Bursary
- Society Endowment Fund Bursary
- Robert VanDellen Memorial Bursary
- Mient and Audrey Visser Memorial Bursary
- Fine Arts Bursaries
- ICHS Service Awards
- Hilda Van't Land Memorial Award (sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary)

For more information and for application forms, please go to our website: ichs.icssa.ca.

SR. HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH

APRIL

Grade 10 - The staff of ICHS is pleased to announce Rachel Vroom as the winner of the Student of the Month Award for April, 2012. Rachel is a dedicated student who always does her work to the best of her abilities. Her projects often go well beyond the requirements and exceed teachers expectations. She is active in our school life and community as a member of the Student's for Life Club and recently attended the Forum for Young Canadians in Ottawa. Rachel's work ethic and high standards for herself deserve the recognition of this award. Clearly Rachel has a desire to use the gifts that God has given her to the best of her ability. Great work, Rachel!

Grade 11 - Kim Lieuwen has been chosen as the student of the month for April. Kim always puts her best effort into her schoolwork, and achieves excellent results. She is an active participant in classes and helpful to her peers. Her positive attitude is appreciated by her friends and the staff, and her commitment to our school community is always evident. We appreciate Kim's willingness to use her musical talents as part of a worship team for chapels, as well as the other contributions she makes to our school. Her positive attitude makes our school a better place. Congratulations Kim!

Grade 12 - Congratulations to Kyle Deys for being the Grade 12 student of the month. Kyle has contributed his musical talents in some of our chapels and his enthusiasm for playing the drums in leading worship has really been appreciated. Recently Kyle has had to work hard to catch up after spending some time in Holland on the Orange Maple exchange. His diligence and effort has earned him this honour. Well done, Kyle!

WORK EXPERIENCE

This is a reminder to parents and employers that the Work Experience season is winding up for the year. Please ensure that your child or employee gets an evaluation form filled out and returned to the Off Campus Coordinator, Mr. Harley Middel, by Monday, June 4, 2012 in order to receive credit for this year. Any remaining hours should be submitted by the same date. Note that a student must obtain a minimum of 5 credits in order to receive these credits for this school year.

JR. HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH

APRIL

Grade 7 - Pamela Veldman - This month's student of the month has been awarded to Pamela Veldman. She has a positive attitude- which is exemplified by her own unique sense of humor. This has proved a great source of enjoyment to her classmates and teachers. She is extremely helpful and willing to help out where needed and you can count on her to lend a hand. She does her assignments quickly and efficiently, and reading her stories is delightful as there is always an interesting comment to be found. Congratulations Pamela!

Grade 8 - Daniel Heyns is a student who desires to learn and understand the material covered in all of his classes. He works hard at all of the things that he is assigned or asked to do. In addition to his hard work, Daniel's insightful questions shows his understanding and desire to master the material. Keep up the great work Daniel.

Grade 9 - Tosha Heins works diligently in her classes and participates in all class activities. She has a positive attitude, rarely misses school and is willing to help classmates when necessary. She enjoys herself in class (seemingly) and is an asset to our class. Congratulations on being chosen student of the month, Tosha!



COMPASSION CANADA FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all the students, parents, teachers, and sponsors of the Compassion Canada Fast that was held this spring. A special thanks to the parent and teachers who did the *night shift* (Mr. Alaric, Mrs. Van Belle, Miss Milne and Mrs. Nieuwenhuis), the cooks who fed the students breakfast, all the sponsors, and especially thanks to all the students who went without eating for 24 hours so that others could eat. You are an inspiration! We raised just over \$4000.00 which will go to Kaitlyn's Legacy for wells in Africa.

Mrs. Trudy Hann



DRESS CODE

With the warmer weather upon us, it is good to remind ourselves of our dress code.

As Christians we are called to dress modestly and in a manner that honors God. Clothing also reflects an individual and his / her role. Therefore, at school, your clothing should be appropriate to a Christian school setting:

- You may not wear clothing that displays vulgar or offensive messages, put-downs, or promotes anti-Christian lifestyles.
- Clothing or combinations of clothing must show no skin between the pants and shirt when standing with arms by your side.
- Clothing must cover, at minimum, half of the shoulder (use the three finger guide) and any undergarments on the shoulders.
- For the females, clothing must be modest in regards to neckline, style and material. Spaghetti straps and low necklines are not permitted (cleavage should not be visible). Clothing must cover, at minimum, half of the thigh from the hip to the knee (use the hands-at-the-side guide).
- In all cases, clothing must cover all briefs or other undergarments.
- Visible body piercing is not permitted. The only exceptions are ear piercing and a nose stud (nose rings and hoops are not permitted).
- Proper footwear is to be worn at all times – court shoes are to be worn in the gymnasiums to prevent scuff marks on the gym floors.



PARENT INFORMATION EVENING...

... for parents of student currently in Grade 8 & 9.

Thursday, May 24 – ICHS Library Computer Room

7:00 to 8:00 – Parents of Grade 8 students

8:00 to 9:00 – Parents of Grade 9 students

Grade 9 is a transition year for our Junior High students. Most grade 9 courses are on a semester system and therefore the timeframe for completing a course is narrower than in grade 8. As well, the core grade 9 courses (English, Math, Social, and Science) are prerequisites for entering the Senior High School program. For example, the student's level of success in these course will have an impact on which high school stream he or she will enter in Senior High. For that reason, we would like to provide parents of current grade 8 students with information, and the opportunity to ask questions about the grade 9 programs.

For parents of grade 9 students, this is the time when you need to look at the Senior High program and select the courses your son or daughter will take in grade 10. Students have a lot of choices, and this can become confusing. We want to provide you with some information, and the opportunity to ask questions, about the Senior High School program.

SENIOR HIGH COURSE REGISTRATION 2012/2013

The following procedures for the course selection process will be implemented:

- Grade 10 and 11 students have already indicated which courses they need for next year. This was done during the day at school with the guidance and assistance of the staff.
- On Thursday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. there will be a Parent Information Evening for parents of current Grade 8 and 9 students. The purpose of the evening is to give parents information to help students select their courses for next year.
- By May 28, a master timetable will be prepared based on the student selection.
- The master timetable will be sent home and students and parents will have the opportunity to revise course selections based on the timetable. At this time, students will be asked to finalize their course registrations.
- Any changes in courses enrolment after this date are subject to the approval of the principal or vice-principal on a case by case basis. Reasons for changing course enrolment include necessary rescheduling due to distance education, course failures, or other commitments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact either Mr. vanSpronsen or Ms. Houweling.



**ORANGEMAPLE FOUNDATION
HOLLAND / CANADA STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM
WWW.ORANGEMAPLE.ORG**

This past year was our first experience with this program, and from all accounts it was a positive one. Both our students and the students from Greijdanus School had the opportunity to celebrate cultural differences, foster mutual respect, and deepen their understandings of God's kingdom.

The Lord willing, next school year we will once again welcome eight students from Greijdanus Hardenberg. They will arrive on October 19, 2012 and leave again on November 9, 2012. We are in need of host families for these students. Since this is an exchange program where the intent is for the participants to experience life as a student in Canada, we are looking for host families with children who are roughly the same age as the participants (grades 9 to 12). If you are interested in hosting a student, please contact me at RvanSpronsen@immanuelcs.ca.

As for the second part of the program, our students will be going to Holland on March 22, 2013 and returning on April 12, 2012 (Easter break is during this time period). We will be taking in applications sometime in late November.

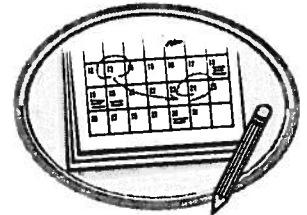
Senior Choir Update

We're leaving for Ottawa in a little over a month!! The choir has been very busy learning all of the pieces that we need to know for this trip, as well as other performances.



We are also still raising funds for this trip, and one of the next choir fundraisers is the BBQ for the 50th Anniversary Celebration. The Senior Choir will be selling hamburgers and hot dogs at ICES on June 9 from 11-2. Please come out and support us there!

- If you are able to help out at the BBQ on June 9th, or are interested in donating (ie: pop, chips, etc.), please contact Monica Moedt as soon as possible (mmoedt@immanuelcs.ca)
- Cookbooks are still available at \$8.50/book, please contact Monica Moedt (mmoedt@immanuelcs.ca)
- Bring your recycling to Lethbridge Rehab, and ask them to give the funds to the ICHS Senior Choir
- Contact Mike Hildebrand to pick up your old vehicles, 403-330-6288
- Hire the ICHS choir students for a large project on your yard or farm.



**ICHS
CALENDAR**

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| May 25 | "Hike for Life" at Henderson Lake |
| May 30 | LSAA Track & Field Meet |
| June 1 | Hot Dog Day |
| June 6 | LA Hot Lunch |
| June 8-9 | 50th Anniversary Celebration |
| June 12-26 | Jr/Sr High Exams (see schedule elsewhere in the Newsletter) |
| June 13 | Early dismissal 2:30 |
| June 14 | Pizza Lunch |
| June 14 | Band & Choir Concert, 7:00 pm |
| June 15 | Sr. High Awards Assembly 1:45 pm |
| June 15 | Newsletter Distribution |
| June 18 | Jr. High Swimming, 1:00 - 2:30 pm |
| June 21 | Jr. High Awards Ceremony, 1:30 pm |
| June 21 | Last day of School - 2:30 dismissal |
| June 27 | Grade 12 Graduation, 5:30 pm at Trinity Reformed Church |
| June 28-29 | Report Card pick-up, 8:00 - 3:00 |

** Please note that Report Card pick up is earlier this year. We ask that everyone make the effort to come and pick up report cards or obtain marks for Grade 9-12 students in Maplewood.

JUNIOR HIGH ATHLETICS

Track and Field

The LSAA Track and Field Meet will be held on May 30 at the University of Lethbridge track. Athletes who finish first or second will automatically qualify for the South Zone Meet on June 6, also being held at the U of L Track. Results will be posted in the year end newsletter.

Badminton

On April 20, thirty-five Junior High badminton players hit the courts in the annual LSAA Badminton Championships held at six different venues around Lethbridge. Playing a total of 175 games, our best finish came from the Grade 9 boys team which finished in second place with 27 wins. Way to go!

Volleyball

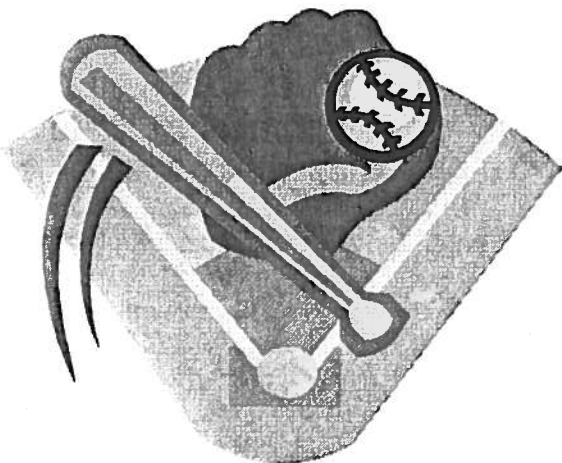
Anyone interested in coaching Junior High volleyball next year should let Mr. Vande Griend know asap. Presently, there are openings for the B Girls' and the B Boys' teams.

Parents, please mark these dates on your calendar concerning next years' JH volleyball tournaments:

Sept. 21/22 KAHS Tourney – A Teams
Birds of Prey Tourney – B Teams
Sept. 28/29 Birds of Prey Tourney – A Teams
Oct. 19/20 RIBMS Tourney – B Teams
Nov. 2/3 South Zone Tourney – A Teams

Grade 7/8 students are reminded to bring their own baseball glove starting May 22 as we will be ending up the year with a Softball Unit in PE.

T. Vande Griend
Jr. High Athletic Director



PROVIDENCE BALL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Immanuel Christian School sent two teams to the 4th annual Providence Christian School Junior High Ball Hockey Tournament. This two day event involved 8 teams, great fun, exciting action and plenty of sunshine! The grade 7/8 team played competitively and finished 4th. The grade 9 team finished 2nd after coming up just short in a very competitive, well-played final. Reuben Middel was voted as MVP of the tournament. Thanks to our players for participating, and to fans for coming out and supporting the teams!

Gr. 7/8 roster: Davin Vanee, Max Wall, Jeremy Van Belle, Matthew Hummel, Brendan Konynenbelt, Braden Konynenbelt, Riley Postman, Seth Slomp and Jared Withage.

Gr. 9 roster: Reuben Middel, Donovan Scholten, Michael Hummel, Travis Vande Munt, Spencer Barthel, David Selles, Alex Lokhorst, Will Wever, Tyler Postman, Aiden Musk and Tyson Procee.

Coaches: Mr. VandeGriend, Mr. Visser



JUNIOR HIGH SWIMMING

Stan Siwik Pool
Monday, June 18, 2012
1- 2:30 p.m.

Report Card Pick-Up

Report Card pick up is June 28-29
from 8 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Society/Community News

CONDOLENCES

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Liz and Brian Oldenburger on the recent passing away of their infant granddaughter.

“The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge.” Ps. 18:2

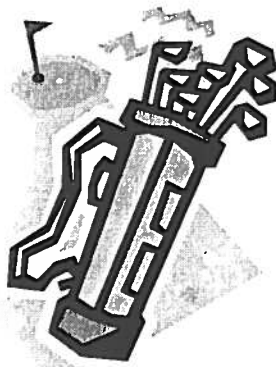


May God truly be your refuge and source of comfort during this difficult season in your lives.

BITS & BYTES GOLF TOURNAMENT

It is time to dust off your clubs and work on your golf game as the planning for the 15th Annual Bits and Bytes golf tournament is underway. The date is set for **September 8** at Land 'o Lakes in Coaldale. This tournament is a great opportunity for our schools to raise support for technology and to build fellowship at the same time. This tournament has raised well over \$350,000 in the past to help with technology at our schools. As part of the planning process, we have some need for help. We are always looking for people on the planning committee. The duties of the committee members are to canvas businesses for support, attend a couple of meetings and to perform various small duties leading up to the tournament. We are continually looking for more sponsors of our golf tournament as well as golfers. If you or your business might be interested in any of these options, please contact Sean Alaric at salaric@immanuelcs.ca or 587-220-4042. Thanks to everyone who has helped to make this tournament a success in the past, and we pray for another great tournament this year.

In His service,
Sean Alaric



LETHBRIDGE LOCAL UPDATE

On May 7, 2012 the Lethbridge Local held its annual voting meeting at Immanuel Christian High School. This meeting was open to all members of the school society who reside in the Lethbridge, Coaldale and Coalhurst areas. Doug VanBelle was elected as our representative to the main school board. We would like to thank Yvonne Post for her many contributions and time served on the main board. The 5 representatives who serve on the main school board for the Lethbridge Local are Mark Heins, Scott Van't Land, Sarah Musk, Tom DeJager and Doug VanBelle.

The Lethbridge Local would also like to thank Carla Deys for her time served on the local board and we would like to welcome Daryl Schalk who will be joining the Local. The Lethbridge Local has 7 members and they are Monique Barthel and Nellie Konynenbelt (co-chairs), Annette Mercer (secretary), Jonathan Moedt, Samantha Van't Land, Janice Van Dyk, and Darryl Schalk.

We ask that you continue to pray for our main Board and the Locals in our Christian School Society. Our hope and prayer is that God will continue to bless Immanuel Christian Schools and that we may be a shining light in our community.

GARAGE SALE AND BBQ

We would like to thank all the volunteers, parents, grandparents, teachers, students and friends of the school who donated their time and items for the Garage Sale. Thank you to all who came out in the wet and snowy weather to support our annual fundraiser on May 4 and 5, 2012 and made it another great success.

Thank you to all the local businesses who generously donated to this event:

Lo-Cost Propane - Ralph Bruinsma
Taber IGA - Glenn Tams
Alberta Prime Beef Corp. - Andy Houweling
Hostess Frito Lay - Greg Bosma
All our local radio stations - CKVN 98.1, B93, 94.1
CJOC, Country 95.5, The River 107.7
Several Anonymous Donors

Let's support the businesses that support us!!

In total we raised \$4,400.00 for our schools.

Thanks again, God bless you and have a great summer!

ICHS Exam Schedule

Grade 12 Diploma Exams, Junior High School-Based Exams,
Senior High School-Based Exams, and Grade 9 PAT



June 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11	12 <u>9:00 – 11:30 AM</u> Grade 12 Diploma - English 30-2 (Part A)	13 <u>9:00 – 11:30 AM</u> Grade 12 Diploma - Social 30-1, Social 30-2 (Part A)	14	15 <i>Last Day of Regular Classes for Grades 12.</i> SH Awards Ceremony 2:00 PM
18 <u>9:00 – 11:30 AM</u> Grade 12 Diploma - English 30-2 (Part B) <i>Last Day of Regular Classes for Grades 10 & 11.</i>	19 <u>9:00 – 10:15 AM</u> Grade 9A PAT – Mathematics Grade 9B PAT - Science <u>9:00 – 11:00 AM</u> Grade 12 Diploma - Social 30-1, 30-2 (Part B) <u>9:00 – 10:30</u> Social 7 Social 8 <u>12:20 – 2:30 PM</u> Sociology 30 <u>12:20 to 2:00</u> Math 8 Social 9 (Written component)	20 <u>9:00 – 10:15 AM</u> Grade 9 PAT – English (B) <u>9:00 to 10:30</u> Science 7 Science 8 <u>9:00 – 11:00 AM</u> RELIGIOUS MEANINGS 10 SOCIAL 20-1 SOCIAL 20-2 FRENCH 30 <u>12:20 – 2:00</u> French 7 French 8 French 9 <u>12:20 – 2:30 PM</u> SCIENCE 10 ELA 10-1 ELA 10-2 PHYSICS 20 MATH 20-1 MATH 20-2 MATH 20-3	21 <u>9:00 – 11:30 AM</u> Grade 9 PAT – Social Studies <u>9:00 – 10:30</u> Math 7 English 8 <u>9:00 – 11:00 AM</u> MATH 10C MATH 10-3 FRENCH 10 BIOLOGY 20 ELA 20-1 ELA 20-2 JH Awards Ceremony 1:30 PM LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (Early Dismissal)	22
25	26 <u>9:00 – 11:00 AM</u> Grade 12 Diploma – Chemistry 30	27 Grade 12 Graduation	28	29

Concept Minutes for the Board Meeting Held May 16, 2012

1. New Board members Doug Van Belle and Conrad Withage were welcomed.
2. Sarah Musk opened with devotions from Psalm 119: 105.
3. Strategic Planning Review discussion from the May 7, 2012 Society meeting. Thanks to all who came out for the Strategic Planning session.
4. MSC to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2012 board meeting.
5. Education Committee report:
 - a. The Board welcomes Tanya Collar to the Ed. Committee.
 - b. MSC to hire Carolyn Kruisselbrink as a Grade 1 (0.5) teacher for the 2012-2013 school year.
 - c. MSC to have Katie Sullivan on the sub list for the Elementary and High School.
 - d. MSC to hire Robin Trockstad for the .5 position at the High School for the 2012-2013 school year.
 - e. Diploma Exam results from January 2012 were discussed.
 - f. MSC to approve Threat Assessment Protocol.
 - g. MSC to hire an Educational Assistant at ICBS.
6. Heard report from the 50th Anniversary Committee. We look forward to seeing all former and current students, teachers and supporters.
7. Building Committee report. Some maintenance issues being looked into.
8. Prairie Association for Christian Education – annual general meeting in Edmonton. New policy has been accepted.
9. The Debt Reduction Drive is still ongoing.
10. We welcomed 3 new families.
11. One new enrollment has been received.
12. Members business.
13. Next meeting June 20, 2012.
14. Yvonne Post closed in prayer.

Kaitlin Boyda Memorial Bursary

Kaitlin Boyda graduated from ICHS in 2011. Her life was a testimony to her faith in Jesus Christ. She was diagnosed in the summer of 2009 with a cancerous brain tumour and spent a year and half battling its effects. When she was approached by the Children's Wish Foundation in December of 2010, she decided not to choose a wish to benefit herself, but to donate the wish to fund a water well for needy children in Uganda. When others heard of Kaitlin's generosity, they were inspired by her compassion and gave to help support other water projects in Uganda. Because of Kaitlin's inspiration, 21 water projects will be built which will benefit thousands of children and families. The LORD called Kaitlin home on May 5, 2011.

This annual bursary, in memory of Kaitlin Boyda, is to recognize a graduating student at Immanuel Christian High School whose daily walk of life exemplifies the qualities of Christian discipleship as found in Romans 12.

⁹ Be sure your love is true love. Hate what is sinful. Hold on to whatever is good. ¹⁰ Love each other as Christian brothers. Show respect for each other. ¹¹ Do not be lazy but always work hard. Work for the Lord with a heart full of love for Him. ¹² Be happy in your hope. Do not give up when trouble comes. Do not let anything stop you from praying. ¹³ Share what you have with Christian brothers who are in need. Give meals and a place to stay to those who need it. ¹⁴ Pray and give thanks for those who make trouble for you. Yes, pray for them instead of talking against them. ¹⁵ Be happy with those who are happy. Be sad with those who are sad. ¹⁶ Live in peace with each other. Do not act or think with pride. Be happy to be with poor people. Keep yourself from thinking you are so wise. ¹⁷ When someone does something bad to you, do not pay him back with something bad. Try to do what all men know is right and good. ¹⁸ As much as you can, live in peace with all men. ¹⁹ Christian brothers, never pay back someone for the bad he has done to you. Let the anger of God take care of the other person. The Holy Writings say, "I will pay back to them what they should get, says the Lord." ²⁰ "If the one who hates you is hungry, feed him. If he is thirsty, give him water. If you do that, you will be making him more ashamed of himself." ²¹ Do not let sin have power over you. Let good have power over sin!

The value of this bursary is \$1000.00. This is to be used towards any post-secondary education program and should be used within three years of graduating from ICHS.

Selection Process:

- The bursary is open to all grade 12 students who will be graduating from ICHS in the current school year.
- To be eligible, a student must be nominated using the appropriate form. Nominations can be from individuals or groups of individuals and is not limited to members of the ICHS community.
- The nominations need to be in sealed envelopes and passed on to the ICHS principal before the deadline. The principal will pass on the nominations to the Selection Committee. All nominations will remain confidential.
- The Selection Committee, which will have representation from the staff of ICHS, will make the final selection.

If you wish to nominate a graduating student, please fill out a form and pass it on to School Office in a sealed envelope (marked Kaitlin Boyda Memorial Bursary). Forms are available from the school office or downloadable from the school's website. For more information, please contact Rob vanSpronsen (403-328-4783) or (rvanspronsen@immanuelcs.ca). The deadline to submit a nomination is Friday, June 8.

Invitation



Assisted Learning
Environment
Response Team

AGM AND SHOW CASE

*Master of Ceremonies: Barry Litun, Superintendent,
Lethbridge School District 51*

ALERT has been involved in a variety of initiatives over the past three years. Come join us as we share and celebrate these initiatives.

*Student Leadership, Lockdown Video, RHVP,
VTRA Protocol, Underage Drinking Project Summary*

Date: Monday, June 18th, 2012

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Place: Lethbridge School District 51 Education Centre



Please RSVP to Michelle Loxton at michelle.loxton@lethsd.ab.ca
or 403-380-5298 no later than Wednesday, June 13th.

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Walmart

Is Here !!

**Gift cards available in the Business Office
during regular office hours
(Monday to Friday - 8 am to 4 pm)**

Denominations are:

\$50 and \$100

Rebate is 2%

Other new stores added to our line up are:

Bootlegger (5%)	Burger King (5%)
Earl's Restaurant (5%)	Kernel's Popcorn (5%)
La Vie En Rose (5%)	Laura Secord (5%)
Le Chateau (5%)	Payless Shoe Source (5%)
People's Jewelers (5%)	Ricki's - (5%)
Sunglass Hut (5%)	Suzy Shier (5%)
The Children's Place (6%)	Totem Building Supplies (3%)
Tip Top Tailors (5%)	Best Western - (5%)
Travelodge Hotels - (5%)	

The end of the school year is quickly approaching and pre-ordering gift cards for the summer months will be available. In order to ensure the correct denominations of cards you would like, please let us know ahead of time and we can order them for you. Quantities of all denominations become limited as the school year comes to an end.

Stock up early for the summer months. Post-dated cheques are an option.

The last day to order cards is **Thursday, June 14** and the last day to buy Instant TRIP cards is **Thursday, June 21**, which is the last day of school.

Please call the Business Office any time with your questions, 403-327-4223.

Come Celebrate!

GOD'S GREAT FAITHFULNESS

FOR 50 YEARS

Friday, June 8, 2012

Registration and Open House at ICHS 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Come enjoy refreshments, sweets and appetizers while looking at old artifacts from the early days, touring the school, and catching up with former colleagues and friends.

Saturday, June 9, 2012

Open House & BBQ at ICES 11:00-2:00

Come for lunch and support our ICHS Choir selling burgers and other treats to help raise money for their music program. At 12:30, there will be a short program in the gym and at 1 p.m. the ICES students will sing. You can also look around the elementary school to see what our kids are up to today!

Celebration Evening at ICHS, doors open at 5:30 p.m. - dinner at 6:30

Come celebrate with dinner, speakers, singing and fellowship!

COST - \$40/single, \$70/couple, includes Friday's Open House, Saturday's Celebration Evening, as well as a 50th anniversary yearbook.

ICHS Students—\$25 for everything, \$10 for celebration dinner only

For more information or to register, please visit www.immanuelchristian.org

and click on the anniversary link, email mmoedt@immanuelcs.ca

or call (403) 327-4223. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 1.