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Dear CKES families,

Lord God, You loved this world so much that you gave your one and only Son, that we might be called your children too. Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell Your good news to the world. All for Your glory do we pray, Lord, Amen. — Rachel Marie Stone

As we head into April, we look forward to a spring full of learning and new life in the natural world. There is a lot happening at school this month! Please see the list of important dates below. I sincerely hope all families enjoy the Easter weekend and take time to thank God for his deep love for us.

NET Team in Whitehorse

In the last couple months, a team of seven young adult missionaries from NET Ministry Canada have been in our Catholic schools in Whitehorse connecting with students. They are a part of larger network of young missionaries who are taking a year off to bring Canadian youth towards a deeper love of Christ. They are here to support our Catholic schools and to be another avenue (peer-led) for inviting students, whether Catholic, Christian or secular, into an authentic dialogue about faith and spirituality.

If you would like to know more about NET, you can visit their website at netcanada.ca, on Instagram at Whitehorse youth, or contact Andrea Lefebvre at 867-668-2768.

If you are able to support this ministry financially, Sacred Heart Parish in Whitehorse will accept donations for the NET Project and will issue charitable tax receipts. Donations can be made by cheque payable to Sacred Heart Parish, or online at <http://www.sacredheartcathedral.ca/donate.html> (Canada Helps). Please indicate that it is for the NET Project.



Reminder: Class Placements for 2021-22

Each spring, teachers and administration sit together to create class lists for the following year. Current teachers know the students very well and take into consideration personalities, learning styles, areas of need and mastery, as well as achieving a healthy balance of friendships, genders, and numbers. Families will be informed of class placements on the final report card. We ask that all parents/guardians respect our process and professionalism, and trust that we will make the best placements possible. We will not be accepting parent requests for class placements. We are blessed at CKES with caring, effective teachers at every grade level.

Reminder: New Ways to Communicate and Pay at CKES

- *Attendance emails:* Families now have the option of calling the school at 667-3527, or emailing to excuse students from school. The email address is: christtheking@yukon.ca. Please ensure your email includes the child's name, class (1B, 5A, etc.) and date of the excused absence. Emails will need to be received by 9:00am to avoid phone calls home 😊
- *Online Payments to CKES:* Families can also now use e-transfer to send the school money! When any school fees are due, this payment option is in place. Our email for e-transfers is: cke-fin@yukon.ca. A friendly password we can all use is: **school**. Also, please include in the comment box your student's name, class, and key words about what the money is for, i.e. "5A, John Test, museum visit."

Gratitude

- For the return of spring and the longer, warmer days.
- For our teachers and staff who work so effectively with students and colleagues to make a positive difference for students everyday.
- For our parent community who are the first teachers of children and align family values with our school values.
- For our school council who have been working to support Catholic education and the daily work of our staff and students.

Dates of Note for April:

- April 2-5 – Easter holiday weekend
Please also see the attached letter from Father Slawek regarding mass times and registration for Easter weekend.
- April 9 – Canadian Space Agency Zoom session with astronaut Joshua Tutryk, a CKES alumni! All classes are invited to participate, but grades 3-7 are recommended.
- April 12-30 – Our School Survey spring session for grades 4-7
- April 14 – Yukon First Nations Education Directorate event: classes may sign up to spend time with an elder, to learn about lynx trapping and skinning
- April 19-23 – Grade 6 Sports week (in lieu of the canceled Polar Games)
- April 27 – New Life Celebration, hosted by grade one classes

- April 28 – Yukon First Nations Education Directorate event: Kaska Cultural Day
- April 30 – PD day for teachers; no school for students

If you have any questions or concerns, please email or call.

Sincerely,

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“Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.” - St. Francis of Assisi