February 2025 CKES Chronicle

Welcome Thäy zhra

We are now celebrating **Thäy zhra (eagle month in Southern Tuchone)**



We are blessed to live, work, learn, pray, and play on the traditional territories of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council.

Dear Christ the King students and families,

Prayer for Love

Gracious God,

We thank you for the ability to love and be loved. Continue to pour your love into our hearts each day, for it sustains us.

Forgive us for our failure to love; for all those things we did today that caused pain to another or to you, who we love above all things. We praise and thank you for being the God of all people,

day after day and night after night.

We praise you for being *our* God

Be with us in the light and in the darkness.

Watch over us and help us to grow in love.

Loving God,

we place our lives in your holy hands.

Amen.

Catholic Focus for February:

- We are in Ordinary Time, so prayer cloths are green.
- Students are learning about the Catholic faith through unit 3 of the Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ curriculum.
- Fr. Freison will be visiting classrooms on the first 3 Tuesdays of the month.
- Classes will be celebrating St. Valentine's Day on Feb. 14.
- We will celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope through a creative visual art activity this month in each class.
- First Communion classes begin at Sacred Heart Parish on Monday, Feb. 3. Confirmation classes also take place each Sunday until May. Please contact the parish office at 667-2437 to register.

Kindergarten Registration

Online registration is now open for kindergarten classes for the 2025-26 school year. At Catholic schools, siblings and Catholic students get priority for registration, but the process must still be completed! Here is the link to begin the registration process: https://yukon.ca/register-child-school#register-your-child-for-kindergarten Please share this information with families you know who may have students interested in joining our K classes at CKES next year!

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3	4 Kindergarten Registration Opens	5 Polar Games gr. 6	6 Polar Games gr. 6	7 100's Day!	8
10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15 Canada Flag Day
Science World Presentations	18	19 SLCs 3:15 – 6:30 IEP Meetings Gr. 7 B-Ball Tournament	SLCs 8:30 - 3:30 Grade 7 B-Ball Tournament	21 Heritage Day Holiday	22
24	25	IEP Meetings Pink Shirt Day	27 Fire <u>Drill @</u> 2:45	28	March 1
34	4	5	6	7 Early Dismissal at 2:40 Club Day	8 SPRING BREAK BEGINS!
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Student-led Conferences:

Please note that these important conferences will take place on the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 19 and all day on Thursday, February 20. **There will be no school for students on that Thursday, except to attend the SLC sessions**. A separate email will be going home to explain more details and allow you to book a time with your child and his/her teacher.

CKES Kings Lego Robotics Team Fundraiser:

There will also be a fundraising <u>bake sale</u> during the conferences! Proceeds will support CKES students who won the Yukon Championships for the Lego Robotics Challenge. The team will be heading to Maple Ridge, BC, for the BC Championships in March! Congratulations and good luck to the team!

• The team is also collecting **refundables**! Please bring your refundables to the school on SLC day and the team will take care of them for you OR drop them off at Raven Recycling under the **Robotics North Society (CKES Team)** name.

Important Dates for 2025-26:

A draft calendar has been shared with schools. Please note the following established dates for next year:

First day for students: Aug. 25, 2025 Christmas Holidays: Dec. 22 – Jan. 2

Spring Break: March 5-20

Last day for students: June 12, 2026

Birthday and Other Special Occasions at School

We are noticing that many families are starting to bring extravagant lunches to school on student birthdays or other special events. While this food is a special treat and full of wonderful intentions, it can also be disrupting to the day and may impact other events that are planned. We ask that if families wish to send food, that it be a <u>cake or other shared dessert</u> only. Please ensure the classroom teacher is aware and that it complies with their classroom ways of doing. Desserts will be distributed when teachers feel it is best. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please Remember:

- 1. We are a scent-free and a peanut free school no scents nor peanut products are permitted.
- 2. To make attendance notices, please call the school at 667-3527 or send an email to christtheking@yukon.ca
- 3. To make school payments, you may send cash, cheque, or e-transfer to cke-fin@yukon.ca. If sending an e-transfer, please be explicit in the note section about the student name, homeroom, and purpose of the payment.
- 4. The land on the south side of our school, near the grade 2/3, 4/5 doors, belongs to a local First Nation. It is not to be used for parking or the drop-off/pick-up of students. Please use our new parking lot for these purposes. ALSO, the drop-off spots in our parking lot loop are for quick drop-offs/pick-us only. Please do not park there for long periods of time. Finally, be sure to maintain open access for busses to enter our bus loop!
- 5. The <u>CEAY website</u> is a good place to find information regarding Catholic Education in the Yukon. Check it out!

Shầw níthän, (thank you in Southern Tutchone)

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