

## March 2025 CKES Chronicle

### Dagay zhra (Swan month in Southern Tutchone)

We are blessed to live, work, pray, and play on the traditional territories of the Kwanlin Dun First Nation and the Ta'an Kwach' an Council.

Dear Christ the King students and families,

The Lent season inspires us to be holy as we reflect on the example of Jesus and how he sacrificed for us. May we continue to be prayerful, to give service to others, and to consider what extra things we can give up so that we can walk more closely with God each day.

### *Prayer for Lent*

Blessed are you, O Lord our God,  
You have made the sun to light the day and the moon and stars to light the night.

Help us walk in your light.

During this season of Lent,  
Renew us through the gift of your Holy Spirit.

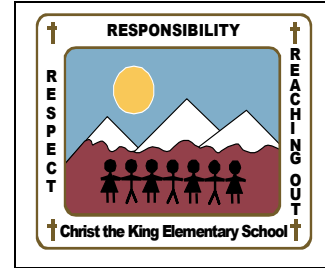
Help us grow in faith, hope, and love.

During this special time,  
We remember that Jesus died and rose  
from the dead,  
so that we might be free to love.

Help us grow to be the people you call us to be –

- Letting go of old habits of selfishness,
- Forgiving those who have hurt us,
- Giving quality time to our families,
- Spending time in quiet prayer.

Amen.



### Catholic Focus for March:

- We are entering the season of Lent, so prayer cloths are purple.
- Students are learning about the Catholic faith through unit 4 of the Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ curriculum.
- Due to spring break, Fr. Freison will wait until April to visit classes again.
- The whole school will have an Ash Wednesday celebration on March 5 at 9:00am.
- Classes have begun to work on the design of "Holy Doors" as a creative work for the Jubilee Year of Hope.
- The NET Team (National Evangelization Team) is in Whitehorse this month and will be facilitating a youth retreat for students in grades 6-12 at CYO Hall on Saturday, March 22.



## March 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 Ash Wednesday Celebration @ 9:00am  Pizza Lunch	6  Cabane a Sucre (sugar shack)	7 Club Day 1:20-2:20  <span style="background-color: yellow;">Early Dismissal @ 2:40pm</span>	8
9	10 Spring Break	11 Spring Break	12 Spring Break	13 Spring Break	14 Spring Break	15
16	17 Spring Break St. Patrick's Day	18 Spring Break	19 Spring Break National Day of Two- Spirited People	20 Spring Break	21 Spring Break World Down Syndrome Day	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Fire Drill #5 @ 11:50am	29
30	31 National Day of Indigenous Languages					

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### **Thank you for Student-led Conferences!**

We appreciate all the efforts of students, staff, and families to make our SLCs a meaningful experience! The energy in the building felt good – it is wonderful to connect with families and see the students proud of their work and learning 😊.

### **Last chance: SOGI Policy Implementation Review**

The Yukon Child and Youth Advocate Office is reviewing the implementation of the SOGI policy in Yukon schools. The review ends on April 30. We encourage all families to participate. I've attached the SOGI (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) policy for your reference. You can participate by completing a survey at this link: [SOGI Review Survey](#). You could also contact the YCAO to participate in a focus group or have an individual meeting by calling 867-456-5577.

### **Club Day**

Grades 1-7 will be participating in Club Day activities on Friday, March 7 from 1:20-2:20pm. During this time, teachers offer a variety of different sessions, ranging from arts and crafts to sports and games. Students may move freely around the building to try different activities and meet new friends. Club Day is one way that CKES hopes to improve students' sense of belonging to our school.

**Spring Break!** Reminder! March 10 – 21 is spring break! We hope everyone enjoys some rest and relaxation. School also ends early on Friday, March 7, at 2:40pm. School resumes on Monday, March 23.

### **SFA Music Fundraiser Dinner!**

St. Francis Music is having a fundraiser dinner **March 6th 5-7** in their **cafeteria** by donation with live music from your favourite St. Francis bands! The Menu will be: Adobo- chicken or pork, Pansit Noodles, Spring rolls, Steam veggies, and Rice.

### **Reminder: 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 agreed with the teacher in advance. 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](mailto:christtheking@yukon.ca)
3. To make school payments, you may send cash, cheque, or e-transfer to [cke-fin@yukon.ca](mailto: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 [CEAY website](#) is a good place to find information regarding Catholic Education in the Yukon. Check it out!

Shàw 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***