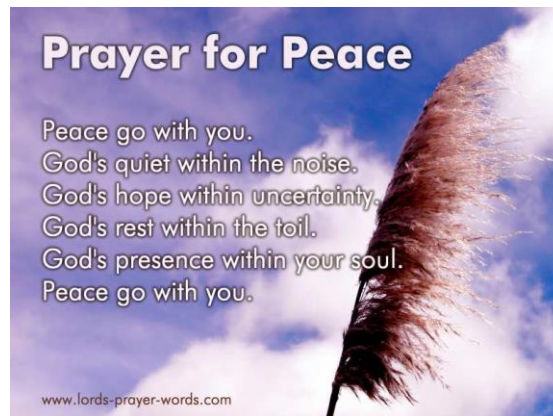


November 2, 2021



Dear Christ the King students and families,

November always brings to mind thoughts and wishes for calmness, for grounding, for peace within our souls. May this prayer direct your thoughts and actions this month:



Fondness and Prayers for Ms. Robbins

As previously shared with everyone, we were very saddened to hear that Ms. Robbins passed away suddenly on October 22. There will be a funeral service / celebration of life held for her at Vanier Catholic Secondary School in the large gym on Nov. 20 at 10:30am. All are welcome.

YFNED Food Service

The food service has gained a lot of momentum and we are working hard each day to ensure students receive food. We are dependent upon the YFNED folks and each day we distribute what is given to us. It is important that families understand the food service schedule:

M, T, W, Th, F: registered students will have a hot lunch

M, W, F: registered students will have a hot breakfast (NO breakfast on T, Th)

Wednesdays: family casseroles may be delivered to those registered

- We also have Yukon Food for Learning for any student who is hungry at any time of day.

Parking Lot Concerns

Our new parking lot has relieved a lot of pressure, but concerns are still being brought forward. In the parent loop, there are angle spots for families to park if planning to be there for awhile. Please use the parallel spaces for more "active" drop-offs. Also, despite the new space, there remains a traffic jam at times. If possible, students are encouraged to walk to school or take the bus!

No Student Access to Super A

When students are in school, CKES staff are responsible for their safety. For this reason, they are not permitted to leave school property. It has come to our attention that some older students may be going to Super A before they catch the bus or even during recess times. Please inform your children that they are never allowed to leave our school property unless they have written permission from you, the parent/guardian. Thank you!

CKES Covid Response

A huge, heartfelt thank you to the families of class 3B who have experienced our first positive Covid case. This class is full of heroes who did the right thing by being tested and then staying home to prevent further spread of the virus. We have learned a lot through this experience – a main lesson being that we can take care of one another through sacrifice. Thank you, class 3B! We look forward to seeing you again on Nov. 8. 😊

Student-led Conferences

Mark your calendars! **November 18** is SLC day. This means no school for students, except that each student is expected to come to school for a scheduled appointment with a caring adult. Students will show-off their learning and adults are prompted to ask questions and really listen to what students have to say. Teachers will be available to facilitate conversations and answer questions. A separate email will go out shortly explaining how to schedule an appointment with your child's teacher.

Scholastic Book Fair

Ms. Burns will be hosting a book fair in the library during student-led conferences! This is a fundraiser for our school library and a great opportunity to pick out some early Christmas presents 😊. Please check it out when you come to the student-led conferences.

General FYIs:

1. To make attendance notices, please call the school at 667-3527 or send an email to christtheking@yukon.ca
2. Please remember to pay the activity fee of \$50.00 to cover bussing and field trip fees (excluding swimming and ski lessons)
3. To make any school payments, you may send cash, a cheque made to CKES, or e-transfer to cke-fin@yukon.ca. If sending an e-transfer, please be explicit in the note section about the student name 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.** Use our new parking lot for these purposes.

Important Dates for October:

Nov. 9	Remembrance Day celebration – in classrooms, hosted by Grade 3
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day holiday – no school for students
Nov. 12	PD Day – no school for students
Nov. 15	Fire drill at 1:15pm

Nov. 18 Student-led Conferences – no school for students. Please see the details above.
Nov. 20 Funeral Service for Ms. Wanda Robbins at Vanier Catholic Secondary School at 10:30am
Nov. 23 IEP Parent Meetings
Nov. 28 Advent begins
Nov. 30 Posada prayers

Here is the link to our school calendar on our website: <http://cke.yukonschools.ca/monthly-calendar.html>

Gratitude:

We have gratitude for so many things ... special mention here will go to:

- A very fun Friday, Oct. 29, as we showed school spirit and celebrated Halloween
- Class 3B and all families who took on extra hardship due to the school's Covid 19 response
- A parent volunteer who has helped with facilitating the YFNED food service
- Our volleyball coaches and student athletes for consistently demonstrating respect, responsibility, and reaching out 😊, as well as excellent play!
- All staff who have been wonderfully flexible and professional these past weeks as we work through substitute teacher shortages and strive to make CKES a joyful place of learning
- All of our students and families for their support and commitment to education

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