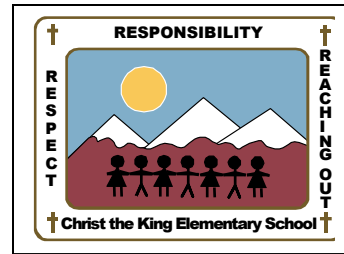


October 2023 CKES Chronicle



Dear Christ the King students and families,

Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord of Gifts, from your holy heart has come a flood of gifts to us.

With uplifted hearts, we have gathered around this table to thank you with prayer and with the worship of feasting.

We are grateful not only for the gifts of life, but for all the gifts of friendship, love, devotion and forgiveness that we have shared.

On this feast of giving thanks, Lord God, we thank you for showing us how to return thanks by lives of service, by deeds of hospitality, by kindness to a stranger, and by concern for each other.

We are most grateful for the way you, our hidden God, have become visible to us in one another, in your countless daily gifts, and in the marvels of creation.

Come, Lord of Gifts, bless our table and the food of this feast.

Let us thank the Lord, today and all days.

Amen

Here are some important news items for our families to know:

Communicating Student Learning Events

Informal reports will be sent home the week of Oct. 10-14 for grades K-4 and 6/7. Families will see how well students are doing regarding behaviours for success. We will also share the curriculum areas of focus for literacy and numeracy. As always, if you have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher.

Grade 5 students will receive a formal progress report in early November due to the schedule of the Intensive French / Compressed English program.

Student Led Conferences on Thursday, Oct. 26

The purpose of SLCs is for students to share their learning experiences with families. Taking ownership of their own learning journeys is an important way to instill responsibility and agency. A separate email will go out to families the week of October 16 asking to schedule meeting times. There is no school for students on this day – but students are expected to come to the school for their SLC appointment.

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.

School Photos

Please mark your calendars! Star Flower Photography will be here on Oct. 16-18 to take school photos. We will share a more detailed schedule the week before these dates.

Whitehorse Food Drive

Grade 5 classes are helping with this initiative. Students are preparing and dropping off bags to residences close to CKES this week and will be collecting them on the 12th. If there are any grade 5 families that could volunteer their time after school on the 12th to pick up the bags and bring them to the food bank, please let Mr. Atwan or Mr. Taylor know!

ALL students are encouraged to bring items to school for the food drive from now until Oct. 12! Canned and boxed healthy foods are always in need!

From the Ground Up

From the Ground Up is a healthy choice fundraiser that connects farm to table, supports healthy nutrition environments and builds community. This year, From the Ground Up will be exploring new Yukon grown products from Hinterland Flour Mill. Each order costs \$30 and will contain 500g Barley Brownie mix, 400g pancake mix and 320g barley cereal. Keep an eye out for order forms going home within the next few weeks.

Some important dates:

- Selling Dates October 16 - November 5
- Orders and money due back by November 6
- Pick up orders November 22 from 3 - 6pm at CKES

Fall and Winter Dressing / Lost and Found

At CKES, students are expected to be outside for all recesses and before/after school unless the air temp. is -30C or below, including wind chill. This means rain, shine, or snow! Please ensure students are dressed appropriately for the weather.



We also have a large lost and found pile already. We will keep these clothes on display until **Thanksgiving**. After that, they will be given away so that we have space for future lost and found items. Please come have a look if you are missing anything!

Halloween Celebrations

Halloween is always a fun event at school. Students are welcome to wear costumes to school on Tuesday, October 31, but weapons, full face masks, or anything too scary are not permitted. Please also leave candy at home. Classes will be having their own celebrations that day to build community spirit.

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-ups only. Please do not park there for long periods of time.**
5. The [CEAY website](#) is a good place to find information regarding Catholic Education in the Yukon. Check it out!

Important Dates for October:

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| Oct. 6 | Thanksgiving Celebration: Grade 2 will host a prayer service for all classes |
| Oct. 9 | Thanksgiving Holiday – no school |
| Oct. 11 | Fire Drill before lunch recess |
| Oct. 16-18 | School Photos – see above |
| Oct. 18 | Pizza lunch fundraiser for grade 7 hoodies. Please look for order forms coming soon! |
| Oct. 25 | Grade 4 Bible Celebration |
| Oct. 26 | Student-led Conferences – see above |
| Oct. 31 | Halloween celebrations |

Here is the link to our school calendar on our website:

<http://cke.yukonschools.ca/monthly-calendar.html>

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

Shàw níthän,

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