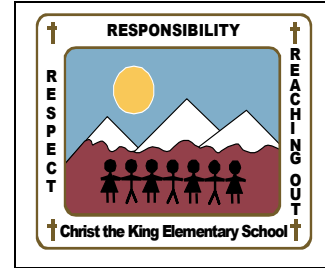


April 2026 CKES Chronicle

Tsä! zhra (Gopher month in Southern Tutchone)

We are blessed to live, work, 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,

Our students continue to grow closer to God and others by praying more often, giving of themselves, and considering what they can sacrifice to walk alongside Jesus during his 40 days in the desert. In April, we experience Easter, when our hardships are overcome by the joy of the risen Christ! Alleluia, He is risen!

New Life Prayer

The joy of Easter wells up inside of us.

ready to erupt into a world in need of new life.

May we dance and sing for joy.

God of all that is new, form and re-form our lives.

Open our hearts to all that is new, so that we can experience fully your power to renew our lives.

Pour your Easter energy into us.

Energize us with your light and free us with your love.

O God of eternal life,

move in us and well-up inside of us,

course through us, breathing joy into our souls.

Let your Easter joy surround us, enfold us, and make us new.

Amen.



Catholic Focus for April:

- During April, we follow Christ's journey to Jerusalem and witness his ultimate sacrifice, then feel joy with the glory of his resurrection on Easter Sunday.
- Students continue to learn about the Catholic faith through unit 4 of the Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ curriculum.
- Fr. Bartek will resume his visits with classes after the Easter season.
- Students will participate in a New Life celebration on April 15, hosted by kindergarten classes at 1:15pm. All families are invited!

Upcoming Fundraisers

Thank you for the support given for all our fundraising this year! Due to your generosity, CKES has been able to provide new musical instruments and outdoor sports equipment for our students. Please see photos of these new purchases on our school website, under “What’s Going On at CKES?”

We have two more fundraisers happening in April:

- Variety Box of Cards – to be sold April 7 – 17.
- A hot lunch provided by Boston Pizza on Thursday, April 23. Order forms will go home on April 13 and are due back by the 17th.

Proceeds will go towards enrichment experiences for our students, including music, art, and experiential learning opportunities. Thank you for your support!

School Council Elections

Being a school council member is a rewarding experience! CKES has 5 elected positions on our council. Our current council has done a tremendous job of supporting CKES! Please consider if you want to contribute to the leadership of our school. Key dates:

- **Week of April 13:** Nomination packages and posters will be delivered to CKES.
- **Thursday, April 16 to Thursday, April 30 at noon:** Candidates can submit their completed nomination package to the school’s returning officer, Giuseppe Fico.
- **Thursday, April 30 (10 am to 12 noon):** Close of nominations. The CKES returning officer will be at the school on this day from 10 am to 12 noon to accept any last-minute nomination papers. If there are more nominations approved than there are elected positions on the council, a poll will be arranged. If not, the returning officer will declare the nominated candidates elected.
- **Saturday, May 9, 2026:** Early Voting (11 am to 4 pm), location TBD
- **Monday, May 11, 2026:** Polling Day (3 pm to 8 pm) @ CKES
- **Tuesday, May 12 (12 noon):** Election officials will return to the school to conduct the official addition of the vote.

Here is a link to the CEAY website, which has a brochure about being a Catholic School Council Member: [CEAY Information booklet](#)

Ever Active Schools After-School Programming for grades 5-6

Yukon Ever Active Schools is hosting an after-school program at CKES from March 31 – May 13, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. There are still 8 spots left. Please see the attached poster for details.

Field Trip Season

As the weather improves, it's time to get students outside for new learning experiences! Although the weather is better, it can still fluctuate, and field trips will not be cancelled due to cold, rain, or wind. Please keep track of trip days and what clothing and food may be necessary for a happy day!

April 2026 – Whole School Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Backwards Day!	2 Club Day 1:30-2:30	3 Good Friday	4
5 Easter Sunday	6 Easter Monday	7 Card Fundraiser begins	8	9	10	11
12	13 Hot lunch order forms go home	14	15 New Life Celebration @ 1:15pm	16 School Council nominations open	17 Card fundraiser ends Hot lunch orders due	18
19	20	21	22 Earth Day	23 Hot Lunch Day	24	25
26	27 Fire Drill #6	28	29	30 School Council nominations close	May 1	May 2
3	4	5 MMIGW Day + Spring Musical @ 1:30 pm	6	7	8 Catholic Schools PD Day – no school for students	9

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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 [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