



Immaculate Conception School

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who donated in October to our Food Drive. Your donations made such a difference for many in our community. Currently, we are collecting items for the Giving Tree at the Festival of Trees. This year, we have continued our support of the John Howard Society and Youth Around Prince George. All donations are due by November 8th. Thank you very much for your support and generosity.

Our teaching this month is **Wisdom**. During this month of November, we will also continue to pray for peace in our world and for those who currently fight for peace and equality. We encourage students to spread the message of peace at school, in their homes and within our community.

November is a month of Remembrance. There is a book of remembrance in the foyer of our church. Everyone is invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the book and our community will pray for all those individuals throughout the month.

I invite all parents, parishioners and members of the greater community to join us for our Remembrance Day prayer service on November 9 at 11:00 am in the church.

November 11 is a day to remember. It is a day to pray for all those who have fought tirelessly for our freedom. Let us join in prayer to celebrate the lives of all the brave men and women who fight and have fought for peace: "We will not forget."

Blessings to all and have a wonderful month!



Upcoming School Events

November 1

Volleyball Game-
Cedars @ IC 3 PM

November 2

School Mass at 9AM. Led by
Gr 4 students

November 6

MunchaLunch open for
December ordering @
NOON

November 8

Volleyball Game-
Sacred Heart @ IC 3 PM

November 9

Remembrance Day
Assembly @ 11 AM

November 12

Remembrance Day
observed. NO CLASSES!

November 14

Volleyball Game-
IC@Sacred Heart-3PM

November 15

St Mary's Volleyball
Tournament 15th-17th

November 20

MunchaLunch closes for
December ordering at 3 PM

November 23

PD Day -NO CLASSES!

November 30

Spirit Day- Pajama Day
First Term Reports go home

Thanksgiving Food Drive-Thank you letter

We have received a letter from St Vincent de Paul, thanking students and staff for the Thanksgiving Food Drive held last month. We would like to pass on the heart-felt thanks from the staff at St Vincent Paul and share how the efforts of the student body can make a difference. The following is the contents of that letter:

"To the students and staff at Immaculate Conception School: Our sincere thanks for the tremendous food drive you recently held for St Vincent de Paul. As the fall always brings more people seeking help, your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you for filling our pantry many times over.

Sincerely, Society of St Vincent de Paul"

Faith Matters

Remembrance Day Assembly

We will hold our Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday, November 9th, at 11 am. Please come join us in the church to honour and remember our veterans.

Parents

Individual Photo Retakes Forms

Picture retake form went home in October. If you are submitting a picture order, please submit the form to the office by November 7th.

Extra –Curricular

St Mary's Volleyball Tournament

The girls and Gr 7 boys volleyball teams are invited to attend the St. Mary's volleyball tournament on November 15, 16 and 17. All games will be held in the St. Mary's School gymnasium.

The games will run from approximately 2:30 pm – 6 pm on the Thursday and Friday with a pizza and movie night after the games on Friday. On Saturday, games will start at 9 am with finals being held at 1:00 pm for girls and 2:00 pm for boys. Awards will follow directly after the final game. More information to be sent home with students.

"What Do You Want of Me, Lord?"

Faith Matters Important Dates

School Mass

Join us in prayer Friday
November 2nd at 9 AM led by
Grade 4. Mass will include the
presentation of New Testament
Bibles to Gr 4 students. Coffee
and fellowship to follow. Please
join us.

Parish/School Mass

Our Parish/School Mass will be
held on November 18th at 11
AM. Ministries at Mass will be
performed by Gr 4 students.

Mass Schedule IC Parish

Daily Mass 9 AM M – Sat
Sunday 9 & 11AM, 7 PM
Pastor: Fr Chris Lynch
www.icparish.ca

Important Information and Forms Due

November 7

Picture retake order forms
due to the office.

November 8

Giving Tree donations due
by 3 PM

November 18

Parish/School Mass @ 11 AM
Gr 4 ministry volunteers
needed.

November 19

Darren Spyksma - 7pm

November 29

Choir performs at Festival of
Trees – Bus leaves at
9:15 am. Choir performs at
10:10 am

Parent Support Group



Gift/Shopping Cards

Order by December 7th, 2018
To receive cards before Christmas

Order your gift and shopping cards today through Immaculate Conception School! A percentage of all cards is returned to the school to support school and parish initiatives. We greatly appreciate your support!

Ordering Information

- Order forms are available at the school office or online: icschool.ca/parents/shopping-card-program
- Please pay in person at the school office, or send payment to school with your child.
- Payment can be made by cash, cheque, or credit/debit card* or by going online to icschool.ca Pay*. Please make cheques out to: ICS PSG.

Questions? Please send inquiries to Nick at:
icpsggc@gmail.com

*Please note that we have to pay a 2% transaction fee for all online, debit and credit card transactions. Please keep this in mind when ordering! Thank you!

Important News & Information

Seniors Tea & Luncheon

There will be a tea & luncheon served for our seniors after the 11 am mass on December 2nd. Our school choir will sing at this event. If you know of any seniors in your family or neighbourhood who would like to attend, they will be most welcome! Lunch snacks will also be provided for parents of choir children and singers. We would greatly appreciate help to prepare for this event (baking, making sandwiches, set up, serving, etc.). Please contact the office if you can help.

Christmas Store

Once again we will be hosting the Christmas Store for students. We are looking for donations of gently used items. Please see attached letter for more information.

Colder Weather

With the expected arrival of colder weather, please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for this change. All students should have a warm sweater, coat and proper footwear.

"What Do You Want of Me, Lord?"

Parent Support Group

PSG Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 20th at 7 PM in the school library. All parents are members and welcome, please consider attending.

PSG Hot Lunch FB Page

Please check out the IC Hot Lunch Support Group Facebook page.

You can find the link [HERE](#)

PSG Craft Fair Volunteers

We will need volunteers to pick-up from and return tables to Sacred Heart School. If you are able to help out on Friday the 16th and/or Monday the 19th, please contact the office.

PSG Dates To Remember

November 17

IC Craft Fair. Come out and support local vendors.
10 AM – 4 PM

November 20

PSG Meeting @ 7 PM
All parents are welcome to attend.

More Important News & Information

Letter from the Superintendent

Dear Parents,

Cannabis legalization took place in Canada on October 17, 2018. In BC, marijuana is still illegal for anyone under 19 to purchase, sell or consume, and remains a controlled substance, like alcohol. The legalization of cannabis will see very little change for our Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Prince George (CISPG). School Codes of Conduct and CISPG existing policies are already in place which prohibit intoxication, impairment, smoking, vaping, or drinking on school property for individuals of any age. Please see attached policies.

The Cannabis Control and Licensing Act creates serious criminal penalties for those who sell or provide cannabis to youth. The act also establishes new offences and strict penalties for those who use youth to commit a cannabis offence.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school principal.

BC Curriculum Changes

On Monday, November 19th at 7 pm in the Church Hall, we are pleased to host Darren Spyksma, from the Society of Christian Schools. He will be presenting on the changes in the BC curriculum and their impact on student learning. This evening session is open to all parents in our community who are interested in learning more about these changes.

Kindergarten Registration 2019

Registration for Kindergarten 2019 is open. If you have a child who is scheduled to enter Kindergarten in September, please make sure to submit a registration form. Forms can be found [HERE](#) or on our school website admissions page.

Communicating Student Learning

Communicating Student Learning Reports will go home on Friday, November 30th. Please watch for these to come home and follow the directions on returning the envelope to the school.

Around the School

