



# Immaculate Conception School

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## Principal's Message

A big thank you to all staff, students and parents for making our first month of school so incredibly successful. It's been wonderful to reconnect and meet new students and families.

For the month of October, our focus is on Respect, which includes respect for others and for ourselves. As Thanksgiving approaches, we thank God for the many blessings and gifts He has bestowed upon us. We come to Him with a grateful heart and consider how He may be asking us to reach out to those who are less fortunate than us.

This month we also focus on our Blessed Mother, Mary. Students will be learning about the rosary and how we pray the rosary.

Good luck to our runners who are participating in our Kodiak Cross Country Meet on Wednesday. Thank you to all of our coaches and parent volunteers for this event.

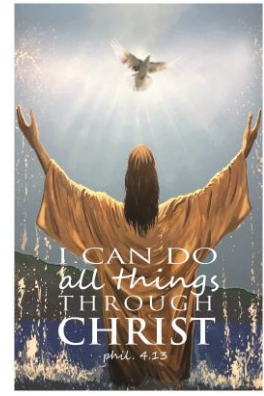
Wishing you all a blessed month.

## **Spiritual Retreat-NO CLASSES!**

There are NO CLASSES on Thursday, October 3 and Friday, October 4, due to a spiritual retreat for CISPG staff.

## **Thanksgiving Food Drive & The Giving Tree**

As we have always done, we will be taking in a collection for the Thanksgiving Food Drive, organized by St. Vincent de Paul. If you would like to send in non-perishable food items, please do so by Wednesday, October 9.



## Upcoming School Events

### **October 2**

Gr 6 Immunization 12:45 PM  
Kodiak XCcountry Meet 3 PM

### **October 3**

Spiritual Retreat Oct 3 & 4  
NO CLASSES!

### **October 8**

MunchaLunch opens for  
November Ordering, 3 PM

### **October 10**

Volleyball Game  
Cedar's @ IC 3 PM

### **October 11**

School Mass 9 AM

### **October 14**

Thanksgiving-NO CLASSES!

### **October 16**

Student Photo Re-Takes

### **October 17**

Rosary Assembly 11 AM  
Volleyball Game  
Cedar's @ IC 3 PM

### **October 22**

MunchaLunch Closes for  
November Ordering at 12 PM

### **October 23**

Volleyball Game  
IC @ St. Mary's 3 PM

### **October 24**

Parent/Teacher Interviews  
5-8PM

### **October 25**

Parent/Teacher Interviews  
8:30 AM-12 PM NO CLASSES!

### **October 31**

Halloween  
Volleyball Game St. Mary's @IC 3 PM

We will continue to support the Giving Tree at the annual Festival of Trees. This year we will be supporting Phoenix Transition Home and the Canadian Mental Health Association. We will begin collecting on Monday, October 21. Please see attached wish list.

## Faith Matters

### Rosary Assembly

During the month of October we honour Mary, the mother of Jesus, who was an extraordinary person. The students will be learning about a special prayer to Mary called the Rosary. More details about how to pray the Rosary are attached to this newsletter. We will have a special assembly on Thursday, October 17, at 11am in the church. Please join us, all are welcome.

## Parents

### Individual Photo Retakes

Photo retakes will take place on Wednesday, October 16. Please make sure to sign the original Mountain West Order Form that was sent home and have your child bring it with them on re-take day to **give directly to the photographer**. If your child was absent the day photos were taken, they can come to the office and we will verify with the photographer that a photo is needed.

### Extra –Curricular

**Musical Theatre** rehearsal is held each Monday, 3-4:30 PM unless otherwise noted on the schedule that was sent home.

Great Job Kodiaks who participated in the College Heights Cross Country Meet last week!

Our IC Cross Country Meet will take place on Wednesday, October 2, from 3-4:15 PM. Thank you to all who have agreed to volunteer to help and a great big thank you to Ms. Ames, who tirelessly organizes this annual event.

**Volleyball** boys practice is held each Tuesday, 3-4:15 PM and girls practice is held each Wednesday, 3-4:15 PM, unless otherwise noted on the volleyball calendar. Please ensure that you check the calendar for game time and place confirmations.

### From the Library

Please make sure that students are returning their book bags along with their book to the library. These bags are reusable and are paid for out of our library budget. We want to make sure that we are maximizing our book buying potential.

## Faith Matters Important Dates

### School Mass

Join us in prayer Friday,  
October 11, at 9 AM led by  
Kindergarten

### Parish/School Mass

Our Parish/School Mass will be  
held on October 20, at 9 AM

### Mass Schedule IC Parish

Daily Mass 9 AM Mon – Sat  
Sunday 9 & 11AM, 7 PM  
Pastor: Fr Chris Lynch  
[www.icparish.ca](http://www.icparish.ca)

## Important Information and Forms Due

**October 2-** Gr 6  
Immunizations at 12:45 PM

**October 8-** MunchaLunch  
opens for November  
ordering at 3 PM

**October 16-** Photo retakes  
Bring your previous  
Mountain West Order Form  
directly to the photographer

**October 22-** MunchaLunch  
closes for November lunch  
ordering at noon.

**October 24/25-** Parent  
Teacher Interviews. Time  
request notices will be sent  
home shortly

## More Important News & Information

### MunchaLunch

MunchaLunch will open for November ordering on Tuesday, October 8, at 3 PM. It will close on Tuesday, October 22, at Noon. Please be sure to mark your calendars.

### E-Transfer

If you are using the new e-transfer option to make a payment, please use the message box to convey what the payment is for so that Mrs. Pittet can allocate it appropriately.

### Absentee Notes

When your child will be absent from school, it is imperative that you send a note indicating their absence, even if you have spoken with their teacher. Email will suffice as an absentee note. Please send them to [icsoffice@cispg.ca](mailto:icsoffice@cispg.ca) and cc the teacher. If we have not received notice, we will be phoning contact numbers on file for confirmation. This is to ensure the students safety and it crucial to the attendance audit that we have each spring.

## Parent Support Group

### Boston Pizza Earn-Back Program

We will be continuing with the earn-back program offered by Boston Pizza. Simply ask your server to stamp your receipt when you dine at either Prince George location. Then bring/send the stamped receipt to the school. A portion of the pre-tax total will go back to the school.

A couple things to remember:

- Receipts can only be from Prince George locations
- Receipts cannot be more than 1 year old
- Receipt must be stamped before you leave the restaurant

### Craft Fair

Our 7<sup>th</sup> annual craft fair will take place Saturday, November 16. At our Craft Fair, we welcome all sorts of crafters and makers as well as direct sales representatives. It is a one-day sale located in both the parish hall and school gymnasium. Each year we have approximately 50 vendors and it is always something to look forward to!!! Vendor applications are still welcome.



## Parent Support Group

### PSG Next Meeting

**Tuesday, October 15, 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](#)

