May 2023 Newsletter Virtue of the Month - Compassion



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Principal's Message

The weather appears to be warming up, the days are longer, and spring is finally here!

Our virtue this month is compassion, and the grandfather teaching is wisdom. This month we will explore how can we be compassionate towards others in our home, school, and greater community? How can we be compassionate towards ourselves? Compassion helps us to be understanding of others and ourselves, especially during difficult times.

As we begin this month of May, we honour Mary, our heavenly Mother, and celebrate her commitment to God. Mary placed her trust in God and emphatically said yes to Him! She showed great courage, wisdom, compassion and love as she lived her life here on earth. Like Mary, we are also asked to say yes to God and listen to His calling.

We encourage our students to continue reading and collecting funds for our school Read-a-thon. Keep up the great work Kodiaks! This month we are proud to present.... Junie B. Jones! Our musical theatre students, along with Mrs. Ceaser and Mrs. Harris, have been diligently working on this production since September. Please come out and support our students.

May 10th at 1pm and 6:30pm May 11th at 10:30am and 6:30pm

We will be busy with various activities for the next month, so please ensure you keep checking our calendar online for the most up to date information.

On behalf of all the staff, we want to wish all of the mothers and grandmothers a very Happy Mother's Day this month.

Have a blessed month!

Jean Up!

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Upcoming School Events

May 5

9 am School Mass –hosted by Gr 1

May 8

Elementary School Relays-1 pm

May 9

3 pm MunchaLunch opens for June ordering

May 10

1 & 6:30 pm Junie B. Jones Jr PSG Meeting at 7 pm by Zoom

May 11

10:30 am & 6:30 pm Junie B Jones Jr

May 14

Mother's Day

May 19

Pro D Day-No scheduled classes

May 22

Victoria Day- No scheduled classes

May 23

Gr 6 Ness Lake Trip MunchaLunch closes for June ordering at noon

May 25

Jean Up Day-Wear your jeans to school

May 26

Terry Wilson Memorial Tournament

May 30

K & 1 Huble Homestead trip-8:45 am Gr 4&5 Swimming-10:15 am

May 31

Orange Shirt Day

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This May, Immaculate Conception School is helping kids at BC Children's Hospital get out of their hospital gowns and back into their jeans. Why? Because each year, tens of thousands of kids will visit BC Children's Hospital. As the only children's hospital in the province, they count on BC Children's for specialized care that they often can't receive anywhere else.

On May 25th, wear your jeans to school and bring a donation in support of this worthy cause.

Faith Matters

Parents

Elementary School Relays

Relays will be held at Masich Place Stadium on Monday, May 8th. Students will be bussed to the venue at 11:45 am. Parents will need to pick up their child by 3 pm. Students must check out with a supervisor and if your child has permission to leave with another parent, please notify the office and Ms. Ames at kames@cispg.ca

Musical Theatre

Please come and join us for this spectacular Musical Theatre Event

Immaculate Conception School Presents



May 10th Opening day, 1:00pm

May 10th Evening performance, 6:30 pm

May 11th Matinee, 10:30 am

May 11th Final Show, 6:30pm

Tickets by donation at the door or to reserve or buy, call Immaculate Conception School Office at: (250)-964-4362

Junie B. Jones Jr is presented through special arrangement with, and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY 212-541-4684 mtishows.com

Faith Matters Important Dates

May 5

9 am School Mass –Gr 1

May 6

Gr 2 First Communion at 2 pm

May 28

Gr 6 Confirmation at the Cathedral

Mass Schedule IC Parish
Daily Mass 9 AM Mon – Fri
Sunday 9 & 11AM, 7 PM

Please check the parish website regularly for further news and updates.

Pastor: Fr John Garden

www.icparish.ca

Important Information and Forms Due

May 5

Gr 6 Ness Lake forms and payment due

May 12

Gr K & 1 Huble Homestead trip permission form and payment due

May 16

May 16-18

KEIP 9-11 am or 12-2 pm

May 18

Swimming forms due

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Accessible Parking

Please note the accessible parking spaces to the left of the Kindergarten door are reserved for vehicles displaying a **parking permit only**.

Fieldtrips

Please note we have various fieldtrips scheduled for the month of May. Please be sure to have permission forms and payment in by the requested date.

We would like to remind parents the School's Affordability Grant is available to assist with the cost of fieldtrips. To access these funds, please contact the office or Kathleen Barth directly at kbarth@cispg.ca

MunchaLunch

MunchaLunch will open for June ordering on Tuesday, May 9th, at 3 pm and will close on Tuesday, May 23rd, at noon. Please mark your calendar.

School Specialty School Supplies

We are excited to offer the opportunity to purchase your school supplies through School Start for the 2023-2024 school year. This is one option you can choose when purchasing your child's school supplies. Please see attached letter for more information.

Parents go directly to: https://schoolstart.ca/

Then please click on the following:

- Parents Shop Here
- Purchase School Supply Kits
- Select Province, then City, then School
- Lastly, click on your child's grade



Parent Support Group

PSG Website Link **HERE**

The next Parent Support Group meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 10th at 7pm by Zoom. A link will be emailed before the meeting date. All parents are welcome to attend.

Teacher Appreciation Day

May 9th is Teacher Appreciation Day, and our PSG is looking for bakers to help us celebrate the whole week!

If you are interested in bringing in a home baked goodie any day May 8-12, please connect with PSG chair, Jes Hoeg at iessikha.hoeg@gmail.com

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Tim Hortons Smile Cookies

From May 1st to 7th, Tim Hortons Restaurant Owners will be supporting more than 600 local charities, hospitals, and community programs across Canada. Guests who purchase a freshly baked Smile Cookie will be donating to these great causes with 100% of proceeds being donated! To pre-order Tim Hortons Smile Cookies, complete the attached form and submit it to your nearest participating Tim Hortons Restaurant no less than 48 hours of your specified pick up date & time. Or visit the Tim Hortons app, Uber Eats, Door Dash or Skip the Dishes to see if your Smile Cookies can be delivered.

New * Cookies will be \$1.50 each and we will also have 4 personality pins available @ \$1 each, for those guests that may not want a cookie but still want to support.

Northern Bounce Elementary Academies

Northern Bounce is excited to be offering our academy for May 2023.

Each session will be 1 hour long. The first 30 minutes will be focused on skill work and the last 30 minutes will be for game play.

*There will be no academy session on the Victoria Day Monday, May 22nd

PLEASE NOTE THE APRIL ELEMENTARY BOYS ACADEMY SOLD OUT QUICKLY.

DON'T WAIT TO REGISTER!

Elementary Girls Academy	Elementary Boys Academy
When: Mon/Wed Starts: Mon, May 8th	When: Mon/Wed Starts: Mon, May 8th

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Ends: Mon, June 5th 8 sessions Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm Grades - Grade 1-7 Cost - \$160

Click here to register!

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