



YKCS NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It seems many things in life are not truly appreciated until they go missing, are withheld or are absent for a number of reasons. Take the sun for example. These last few days have been such a relief in comparison to the windy, snowy and chilly days of our extended Albertan winter. It all depends on your perspective; I know of people in southern California who have moved away to the Midwestern states because they got bored of blue skies and consistent sun. Now they get excited when they see clouds and they eagerly anticipate the horizon as it darkens with the promise of rain. We often take for granted the people in our lives, and when they are not in our midst anymore, we reflect on the impact they had. I am thankful for all staff members; new and experienced alike. YKCS is only as good as the people it employs and we are thankful for the service of those working here. I would like to thank Bobbie Luymes, Belinda Froese and Tim Baughman for their service at YKCS. God is calling them in a new direction and we wish them all of His blessing. We thank them for building into the lives of our students, staff and parent

body. May He continue to direct their steps.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

We are currently looking for people who are willing to sub. Please contact Melissa Braun at the office if you are interested. Thanks.

AUCTION

It's that time of year again for the Christian school auction. The plans are underway and auction items are starting to roll in. If you would like to contribute to the bake sale, please contact Sherri Hufnagel. Please have a look at the notes coming home or ask your child what they can contribute to their class baskets as each class has their specific auction basket. If you have anything at home that you would like to donate to the auction that would also be greatly appreciated. It should be a lot of fun – as it is every year! We have a few new fun surprises this year as well as some of the old favourites. Hope to see you all there!

- *Brandy McPhee*

TRADE SHOW

YKCS had a booth at the trade fair last week. Thank you to the volunteers who gave of their time to make it happen!

- *Aaron Kauffman*

SCHOOL PRAYER

Angie Smith and others continue to meet at 1 p.m. on Fridays at the school to pray for the school community. Everyone is also welcome to join the Board for prayer at 6:30 p.m. on May 15th.

FUNDRAISING

The Hot Dog hot lunch raised \$191.45. The Poutine hot lunch raised \$154.13 for new gym equipment.

The total raised through the Gift Card orders so far this school year is \$827.60.

The *Purdy's Chocolates* brought in \$216.08. *Calahoo Meats* raised \$847.00 and *Done Like Dinner* yielded \$204.50.

The sign night was well-attended by 40 people and brought in \$815.16 for the preschool/ Kindergarten room.

Grades 3-4 hosted a bake sale last week and again this week, to help towards the costs for a Grades 1-4 all-day field trip at the end of May. They raised \$153.25 last week. There will be two more bake sales, on May 11th and May 16th at noon. A big thank you to all the families who have provided baking!



SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK

The week before Spring break, students and staff were challenged in special sessions by Gord Russell of Camp Little Red, to guard their hearts wholly for God by avoiding distractions, deception, laziness and theft of the heart. Students from K-12 were also involved in special service projects or events.

The Kindergarten class went next door to clean the Grade 1-2 desks while the 1-2's were out. The grade 1-2's visited the Edson Food Bank. The students enjoyed a tour and unpacking the food the school house teams had collected.

- *Miss Froese*

Grades 3-4 went to the Long Term Care and enjoyed playing balloon volleyball with the residents. Students were also surprised to be allowed to push some of the wheel chairs and handled the responsibility well. Staff commented on how well-behaved and calm the students were and encouraged us to come back.

- *Miss Hufnagel*

The grade 5-8 class had an opportunity to sing for the residents of the Seniors Lodge during spiritual emphasis week. It was great to visit after with the people there and they provided us with juice and cookies. Before we left they asked for an encore of our first medley. The residents appreciated the hymns and the friendliness of our students.

- *Mr. Rand*

The grade nines and tens put their faith into action when they went to the Baptist Church and did some cleaning up: washing walls, vacuuming, mopping – whatever was needed. For about an hour and a half, the students graciously sacrificed their math class in order to do excellent work and treated themselves to Blizzards on the way back to the school (thanks Devon!) for a job well done.

- *Mr. Baughman*

LUNCH UPDATE

There are more and more students not bringing their lunch to school. This is just a reminder that the emergency lunch basket is for emergencies and students should not be coming by and asking for snacks from the office. Thanks for your understanding.

BADMINTON SEASON

YKCS just hosted 4 Koinonia schools in a two-day Badminton tournament. It was a great time of comradery and fellowship as 120 kids descended on our school property to play over 200 games in singles and doubles matches. I would like to thank all the students for helping to set up and take down. Many thanks goes to all the parents who helped in the kitchen and donated food items. We are thankful for the Mitchells who hosted breakfast once again. Our students played extremely well, finishing first or placing in most categories.

STUDENT COUNCIL

March and April flew by! Our coin/tape roll fundraiser is ending on Friday, April 27th, with the proceeds going towards a foosball/air hockey table and towards Liz Lendvay, a missionary in Guatemala. April's Spirit Day will also be on Friday the 27th, and our theme is Bible Characters. We will spend the block before lunch playing a school-wide game of Bible Trivia. One last reminder is that the winning classroom of the coin/tape roll fundraiser will be getting a pizza party on Friday, May 4th. Thank you to everyone who is supporting our Student Council.

- *Aaron Binner*

FRENCH

The *Café français* is scheduled for the evening of June 8th. All French students are required to be in attendance to perform their plays. Mrs. Worthing is working on props and costumes. We are in need of costumes for a cat, a dog and a rabbit for the Grade 1-2 plays. Please let Miss Hufnagel know if you have a suitable costume we could borrow.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri, April 27th: School Spirit Day

Fri, April 27th: School Prayer @ 1

Sat, May 5th: Annual Auction

Mon, May 7th: NSD

Wed, May 9th: ELA PAT Part A

Fri, May 11th: Grade 3-4 Bake Sale

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Fri, May 16th: Grade 3-4 Bake Sale

Fri, May 18th: NSD

Wed, May 24th: Last Day Preschool

Thurs, June 7th: Elem. Track Day

Fri, June 8th: French Café

