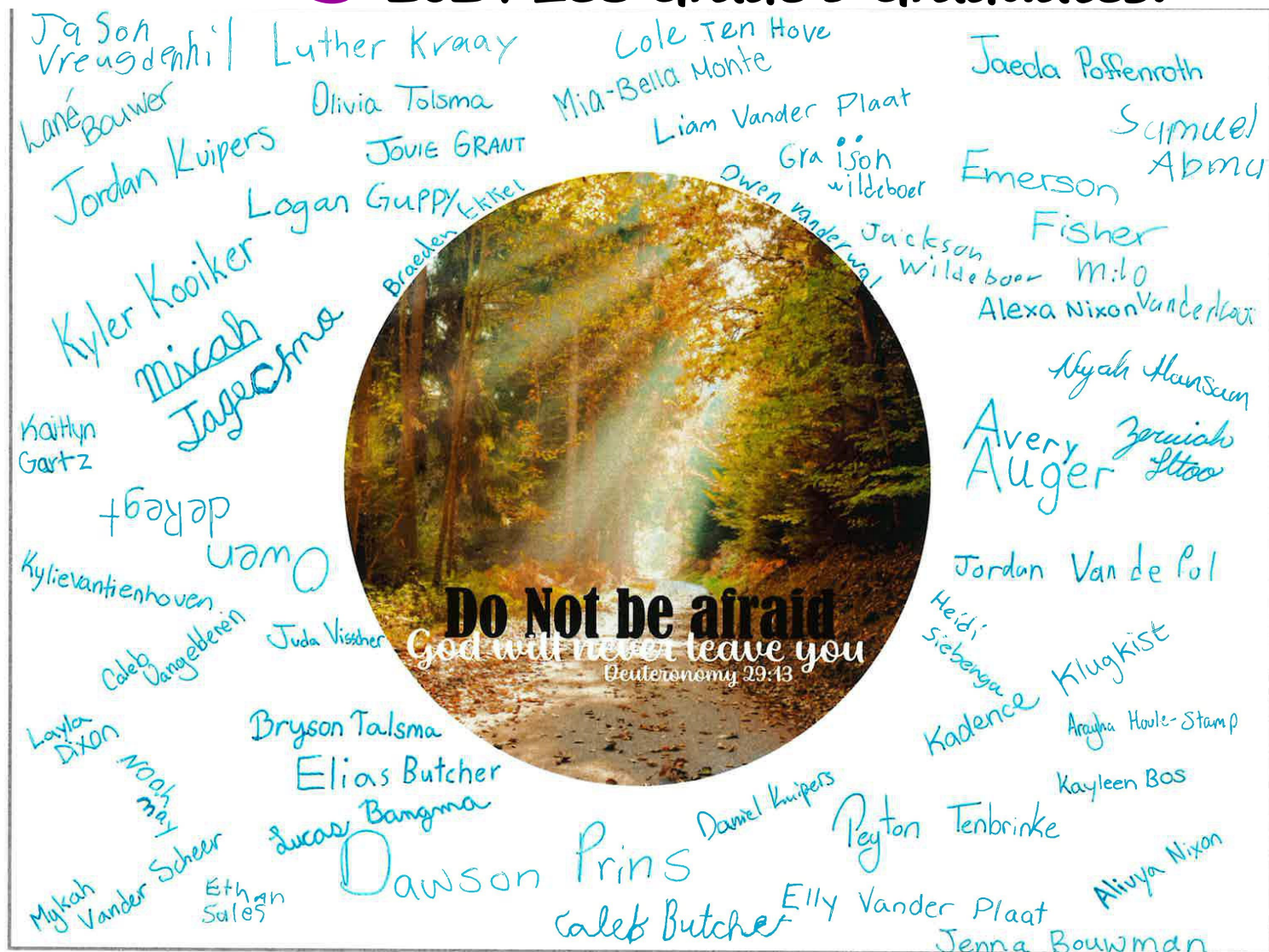




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2024 LCS Grade 9 Graduates!





Lacombe Christian School Vision Statement:

"To the glory of God, by His grace, and on the foundation of His Word, Lacombe Christian School strives to nurture and educate children to be Spirit-filled disciples of Christ and responsible, discerning citizens in society."

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Board Notes May 2024...

"Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever." Psalm 86:11-12

Greetings from the Lacombe Christian School Board,

Our annual Society meeting was held on May 13. Thank you to those who joined us. Society approved the proposed budget for the 2024/2025 school year which included a 2% increase in tuition. Gloria Brouwer gave a powerful presentation about the mission and impact of Learning Support Services at LCS. We said goodbye to Connie DeBoon, who is retiring at the end of this year, and to Heather VanderPlaat. Anita Zuidhof was recognized for 10 years of service at LCS. We welcomed three new board members (Aaron Eisses, Nathan Kleefman, and Maria Vanderwal) and thanked three outgoing board members (Martin Van de Pol, Kate Lymus, and Bowen TenHove) for all of their hard work, prayer, talents, and wisdom during their years of service.

We thank God for His provision of LCS and are thankful for a strong and generous community. Fundraising for the West Wing Renovation, a record total from the Auction, and the ongoing Spring Drive have provided incredible financial support and the West Wing Renovation has officially begun! Grades 4 & 5 have relocated to new classroom spaces for the rest of this school year. We are excited to be at this stage and in all this, we praise God and pray that the use of these funds will all be for His glory. Thank you to everyone who contributed time, auction items, and monetary donations to work toward our goal. It will be a busy summer and we pray that all goes well with the renovation and look forward to seeing the project to completion in time for the 2024/25 school year, God willing.

Thank you to all of the families who have completed their Intent Forms that allow us to plan for next year. We'd like to congratulate our 48 Gr. 9 graduates. We thank you for your influence at LCS and pray that you will continue to follow God's story, learning and growing as spirit-filled disciples of Christ.

As we conclude our year, we would like to thank staff, students and parents for an incredible year of learning at LCS. Our theme was "The Names of God" and our prayer is that the things we learned about God's character will increase our love for Him more and more. We pray for stamina for these last busy weeks of school, filled with field trips and exams, for safety, health, and for God's continued blessing throughout the summer months. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in the fall. In Christ, On behalf of LCS Board, Gwen Tiggelaar, Board Secretary



Thank you for including us in your daily or monthly devotions & prayers. Now that we are approaching the end of the school year, we have been able to pray for every aspect of our school to our faithful God.

Welcome to our new LCS Board members:

Aaron Eisses, Nathan Kleefman, & Maria Vanderwal

Committees: Building Committee

Staff Members: Mrs. Anita Zuidhof, Resource Teacher

Mrs. Natalie Holoboff & Miss Becky Bikker, Resource EAs

Mrs. Karri Folkerts & Mrs. Sue wildeboer, Playschool Teachers
& Thank You to all the Substitute Teachers!

New Families: John & Henriët Slingerland, with Eric(P1)

Justin & Carlee Vandekraats, with Liam(P2)

Wilko & Nelleke van der Velde, with Jared(7B), Kathlyn(8A)

Gresham & Deborah Velhuisen, with Nel(P1), Bea(P1), Gus(P1)

Mark & Jackie Roberts; Kenzie(2B), Christine(4B)

Classes: Playschool & Resource

Assembly: Year-end (& Connie deBoon's retirement) June 5, 9am

Events: Year-end Field Trips, Exams, Report Cards, Gr. 9 Graduation

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"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." ~Ephesians 6:18

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 June 2024	3	4 Gr.5 to Wetlands Gr. 6 to Legislature Gr. 7 to Producers PS to Dairy Farm	5 Last Assembly Retirement Party For Mrs. deBoon Patroller Party	6 Gr. 5 to Ft. Edm. Gr. 7 to Abbey Cent. PS Last Day, Park FT	7 Gr.1 to Sunnybrook PS Last Day, Park FT	8
9	10 Grades 6-9 Final Exams June 10-14 Free Pizza Lunch Board Mtg, 7:30pm	11 Grades 6-9 Final Exams June 10-14 Playschool Orientation	12 Gr. 5 Farm Safety Grades 6-9 Final Exams June 10-14	13 Gr. 1-3 to Collicutt	14 Last Day of School No WC Bus K Year-end Field Trip Gr. 4-6 to Collicutt	15
16	17 Teachers' Last Day	<i>Hope you enjoy a Blessed Summer Vacation with your families!</i>		Aug 29 Ice Cream Open House 1-3pm	30	31
Sept 1	2	3 First Day of School for 2024/25	4	5	6	7

Principal's Note: Endings ... of a sort

Summer is nearly upon us and, as this school year comes to a close, it gives us opportunities to reflect on the past year and consider the future. We look, in anticipation, to the graduation on June 15. We have 48 well-deserving graduates, who will be moving on from LCS to meet their next challenge in highschool. It has been a wonderful year with and for these students – we wish them all the best as they graduate and proceed to their next stage in life! Hopefully they have a beautiful, restful summer!

There are also staff who will be departing for various reasons. Connie deBoon will be retiring after serving at LCS for the past 19 years in various roles: starting as a kindergarten teacher, working in the primary grades, serving as a vice principal, and recently teaching music to grades 1-5. Connie has been a blessing to this school – her godly walk and demeanour have always been apparent and her love for students and staff constantly felt. After serving as librarian for the past 9 years, Heather Vander Plaats is also moving on from LCS. We have really appreciated her work in the library, making it a warm and welcoming environment, improving the collection of books and resources we've had and looking to the future for new ways to set up the library for the best student experience. We also say "farewell" to Connor and Hannah Brown. Connor has been filling in for Fayth Kuipers since December. He was a very welcome addition to the staff, with his kindness and energy. We wish him the best in his career moving forward – perhaps our paths will cross again! Hannah is leaving on maternity leave in September. We wish her all the best in that and hope that she enjoys the rich blessing of motherhood in the near future!

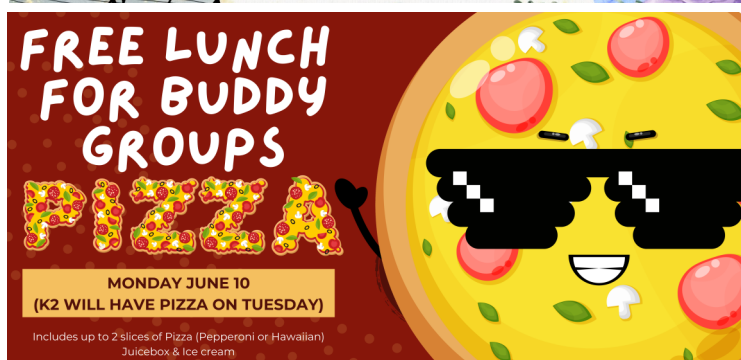
While I'm writing this, the West Wing renovation is underway. Students have moved items from the classrooms and Science/Art room and the west gym is full (half of it with storage stuff, half of it with Grade 5s). The teachers are getting used to their new environments (gym, music room, old computer lab). Cabinetry is being pulled from the classroom and demolition has begun! What an exciting time: an ending, of sorts, for a wing that has a lot of history, and a new beginning, as we look forward to the coming school year, when students and teachers can enjoy a freshly renovated wing! Thanks to the membership for their outpouring of support for this project. We are very close to having the full amount for this project (further update coming)!

As I reflect on my own journey of this past year, I'm again very thankful for the work Martin Folkerts did to make this an outstanding school. His past leadership is apparent and appreciated. I'm also thankful for the fantastic staff, who have made this transition a good one – we are still getting to know one another, but this has felt like "home" from the get-go. And I am extremely thankful for the wonderful community that is LCS – it has been amazing to see and hear the support that continues to pour out in so many ways: flagpole prayers on Thursdays, special events (Ice Cream social, Parent Info Meeting, Christmas concert, Mini mall, Society meetings, Arts Night, Auction, Grandparents' Day), assemblies, volunteering in classrooms and field trips, and dropping by for class presentations. These have all been ways that I've seen this community come to life and it has been a rich blessing. The Board has been another source of support and guidance through this transition – they are an amazing group of gifted people, who consistently demonstrate a real love for the school. I especially wish Martin Van de Pol, Kate Luymes, and Bowen TenHove a fond "farewell", as they finish their terms on the Board. Hopefully we'll have further opportunities to work together again!

God has richly blessed LCS. As our 75th Anniversary "tagline" states, we live in His faithfulness, which is our foundation right now and is where we will find our future. Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! May you all, staff, students, parents, and supporters, have a wonderful summer, as we end this school year in His faithfulness and look to the next one with the same hope.

- Derek Hoogerdijk

You're Invited to join us in celebrating our Grade 9 Graduates
Saturday, June 15, 2pm at Woodynook CRC ~refreshments to follow



THANK YOU!

- to all **retiring board and committee members**. LCS has been blessed by your hard work, dedication, and your time.
- to **everyone who supported the school this year**. From classroom help, to driving, planning, donations, food preparation, recess supervision, or many areas too numerous to mention - your contributions help make the school run with greater ease. Those who contribute financially are much appreciated, especially as we move forward with the reno.
- to our **Bus Drivers** for the super job they do. Getting the kids to and from school safely is not an easy job, and we are so thankful for your willingness to do so every day!
- to the **Hot Lunch Ladies** who have helped to prepare the delicious meals for our students every month this school year! We appreciate your planning and the work you put in be able to feed 400+ students & staff every month!
- to our dedicated, patient, & loving **TEACHERS!** Without you, we wouldn't have LCS. Your role in the lives of our students, educationally & spiritually, is important & valued.
- and, last (but not least) - to our 468 **STUDENTS!** You've grown and matured over this school year. We hope that this summer will be full of fun, new experiences for you. We pray that whatever you do, you'll end the holiday in a deeper relationship with the Lord. Have a blessed summer!

Teaching Assignments 2024-2025

Mr. Derek Hoogerdijk, Principal
Mr. Tim VanDoesburg, V.P., JH Teacher (7-9 Div. Head)
Mrs. Gloria Brouwer, Counselor, Learning Support Services Lead
Mrs. Willeke Kraay, Music Teacher
Mrs. Mel Zuidhof, Library
Playschool: Mrs. Karri Folkerts & Mrs. Sue Wildeboer
K1(Mon/Wed): Mrs. Kristina Klugkist
K2(Tue/Thu): Miss Amy Sylvester
Grade 1A: Mrs. Sarah Vanderhoek
Grade 1B: Mrs. Stephanie Littel
Grade 2A: Mrs. Alyssa Bouwman (P-3 Division Head)
Grade 2B: Miss Sabrina van Delden
Grade 3A: Mrs. Anna Wierbos
Grade 3B: Mrs. Karla Wagner
Grade 4A: Mrs. Abigail Milgate
Grade 4B: Mr. Gerald Noort
Grade 5A: Mrs. KarieAnn Mantel
Grade 5B: Mrs. Sherry TenHove
Grade 6A: Mr. Kevin Debree
Grade 6B: Mrs. JennaRae Sauv  (4-6 Division Head)
Grade 7A: Mr. Dave Allers
Grade 7B: Miss Anna Morris
Grade 8A: Mrs. Coby Visscher
Grade 8B: Mrs. Pamela Jenks
Grade 9A: Mrs. Michele Noort
Grade 9B: Mr. Brandon Lynn
Resource: Mrs. Anita Zuidhof

Class Lists for the 2024/2025 school year:

Will be completed in August and sent via Remind Aug 28. We are not asking for parental input regarding the classes in which your children will be placed. Your children will be placed in the classes which, in the judgment of the staff and administration, will be best for them. We ask that you trust the preparation of class lists. ~Derek Hoogerdijk, Principal

We say goodbye to these families, with their last child(ren) graduating Grade 9:

Phil & Donna Abma, with Samuel
De Jager & Maretha Bouwer with Lan 
Murray & Janis Butcher with Caleb & Elias
Rueben & Rachel Kraay with Luther
Gary & Melissa Kuipers with Daniel & Jordan
Kevin & Renae Nixon with Alivya & Alexa
Brent & Jackie Talsma with Bryson
Valerie Van Gelderen with Caleb
Dave & Heather Vander Plaat with Liam & Elly
Sara VanTienhoven with Kylie

Thank your for trusting us with your child(ren)'s Christian Education over the years!



CENTRAL ALBERTA CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

contact the school, 403.782.4535, if you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting with the principal.

We are now accepting registrations for the 2024-25 school year. If you have a child in grade nine or a child in grades 10-12 who does not currently attend CACHS and are wanting to enroll for the next school year, please send in a registration form. Forms can be found at www.cachs.ca under the 'Our School' tab and then under 'Enrollment & Admission'. Forms can be dropped off in person at CACHS or emailed to office@cachs.ca. Please



Sabres Athletics

2023/2024



Badminton Team

Badminton: We are very proud of all our players who came out and played. Not every player was able to move on and for some they were only involved in one tournament and the season can be very short. Every player should know that they have played a part in the success of our

program this year, willing to work hard, come out to practices and, most of all, improve your game. Thanks to all the participants for another very successful season of badminton at LCS. The focus in sports now on Track & Field, and we have a large group of students on our team. They've been practicing for many events, some of which include high jump, hurdles, long jump, shot put, javelin and various running distances. K-6 have already enjoyed their field days.

A FEW NOTES AND REMINDERS:

Gr. 6 Achievement & Junior High Final Exams

Mon 10	Tue 11		Wed 12	Thu 13	Fri 14
(am)	(am)	(pm)	(am)	(am)	(am)
6 LA pt.B	6 Science	7 Math	6 Social	6 Math	
	7 Social	8 Science	7 LA	7 Science	
	8 LA		8 Social	8 Math	
	9 Social		9 Science	9 Math	9 LA pt.B

Please remember to fill out the online **TUITION AGREEMENT Form** to confirm Registration for 2024/25 School year. A remind message with the link was sent out in May.

Bring your Books

Back to the LIBRARY!



PLEASE!

As the end of the year approaches, please note that all library books will be due back to the school by **Friday, June 7th** at the latest. Books can be sent with your child or dropped off at the main office. Invoices for unreturned or lost books will be sent home the last week of school. Please email Mrs. Mel Zuidhof at mzuidhof@lacs.ca if you have any questions.

Thank you for your help maintaining our school libraries!



PLAYSCHOOL ORIENTATION for 2024/25 School Year

Tuesday, June 11

If you have not received your invitation, please contact the office: 403-782-6531.

Contacting the School: If your child is ill or has an appointment, please inform the office first thing **each** morning.
Student Messages: Please try not to call after 3pm to give messages to students, as students are not always in their Home Rooms during the last period. Thank you for your cooperation.

FIELD TRIP SEASON IS UPON US! A reminder for parents driving for Field Trips, our school policy is that no child under the age of 12 is allowed in the front seat; students under the age of six (or under 40 lbs) are required by law to use a properly installed child safety seat; students under the age of nine (or under 80 lbs) are recommended to be in a booster seat; and finally, please ensure that you have adequate coverage on your insurance, which is in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 liability (\$2 million is preferable). ***Thank you for your cooperation!***

Dress Code: With the weather getting warmer each day, it is only natural that students want to wear the 'coolest' clothes. *However, we find that some of the dress styles are not acceptable, and do not comply with our dress policy.* We ask that students dress modestly which means no 'short' shorts, no mini skirts, no tank tops or shirts that expose the midriff. Students wearing clothes deemed by a teacher or the principal to be unacceptable, will be asked to phone home for a change of clothes, or clothes will be provided for them by the school. Thank you for cooperating.

Lost & Found: Please remind your child(ren) to check the Lost & Found on each campus before the last day of school! Unclaimed items will be packed up and go to the Building Blocks Thrift Store.

NOTE FOR SUMMER MAIL: We have a secure mail slot in the main door on the West Campus for summer mail delivery. If you need to drop any mail off during the summer months, please feel free to use the slot.

Recent Activities

Grades 4 & 5 move to different 'classrooms' to let the west wing renovation begin!



At the Soup Kitchen

Mayor for a Day

A full house for Grandparents' Day!

Field Day

Gr. 5 Performs at the Provincial Music Festival

Financial Statement for : <u>April 2024.</u>		
Revenue	+	\$ 723,915.68
Expenses	-	\$ 398,701.44
Net Income =		\$ 325,214.24
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Book Balance (APR 1) +		\$ 1,100,544.04
Book Balance (APR 30) =		\$ 1,425,768.28
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Bank Balance (APR 30)		\$ 768.28
Outstanding Deposits +		\$ 0.00
Outstanding Cheques -		\$ 0.00
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Book Balance (APR 30) =		\$ 768.28
Savings Account (APR 30) =		\$ 1,425,000.00

Fundraising Results for the 2023/24 School Year:

JH Fruit Sale -sports equipment/student activities: **\$7,000**
K-3 Chores for Charity -Lacombe Food Bank: **\$1500 plus 364lbs of food**
4-6 bake Sale, -Christmas gifts to needy families through World Renew: **\$2,422**
JH Movie -Lacombe Food Bank: **\$1,500**
Mini Mall -Red Deer Mustard Seed: **\$3,000**
West Wing Renovation Capital Campaign: **\$765,120**
Spring Drive to April 30: **\$43,900**
LCS Auction, -West Wing Reno & Scoreboard: **\$300,461**
(incl. **\$28,800** to 'Endowment Fund')

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