

*He is Risen!*

"The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." -Matthew 28:5-7

Imagine being one of the women that first Easter morning. Two days earlier, you witnessed the brutal crucifixion of your Master by the Romans, after the Jewish betrayal. Thankfully, his body was taken off the cross and laid in Joseph's tomb. Now, on Sunday morning, you go to the tomb, hoping to treat the body.

You're wondering how you're going to get into the tomb because of the large stone, but you still go. And what do you see? An angel and no body. What a shock they must have felt! It would not be surprising if they each fell down on their knees, as so many before them had done in the presence of one of God's angels.

But the angel is purely a messenger, announcing the risen Christ, just as they had announced the birth of Christ thirty years earlier, but with less pomp and circumstance. It was simply, "He is not here; he has risen." And, just in case you were still wondering, "see the place where he lay." The Lord, the Master, has risen! The tomb couldn't contain him! Death, which seemed victorious only two days earlier, has no sting. And we have an opportunity to see him again in Galilee? That shock they must have first felt would have quickly turned to awe and wonder.

Hopefully, we still have that same awe and wonder today. That awe and wonder that our Lord, who emptied himself and humbled himself to death, even death on a cross, is now the resurrected Lord. He has conquered sin and Satan, death has no victory. And we live in that promise! Death, sin, and Satan have no power over us because of Christ. We may still face these during our lives, but Christ has already had the final word: "It is finished." He is victorious. Now we live on the other side of the resurrected and ascended Lord and look forward to that Final Day, when we will return, not as a baby or out of a tomb, but as our ascendant King! He is risen!



April 2025		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
SUNDAY	MONDAY		Hot Lunch: Taco in a Bag	Junior High Fast (ends 7pm on Friday)		
6	7	8	9	10 Assembly, 9am -EAST Celebration of Learning	11 No WC Bus	12
13	14 K-3 Swim (K1/1A/3AB) Finance Mtg, 7:30pm	15 B: Tourn. @LCS Gr.9, Indigenous Conv. K-3 Swim (K2/1B/2AB)	16 Basket Item Deadline Jersey Day	17 NO SCHOOL, Staff Collab	18 NO SCHOOL—Easter	19 Break April 18-21
20 NO SCHOOL—Easter	21 Break April 18-21 Board Mtg, 7:30pm	22 B: WC North Tourn S/MD	23 Gr. 8/9 Voting	24 B: WC North Tourn D	25 LCS Auction!	26
27	28 Grandparents' Day	29 9B to Northcott, pm Gr.4-6 Swimming, 1pm	30	1 Gr.2 FT to Reynolds Mus.	2	3



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."

2024/25

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Board Notes ...

Greetings Lacombe Christian School Society,

It is such a blessing to celebrate the renewal and hope that comes with the spring season and anticipate the Easter season, remembering Christ's perfect sacrifice and resurrection. We hope you all had a refreshing and enjoyable Spring Break.

The Board has been busy with new family interviews and planning for the 2025/26 school year. As was mentioned in the recent Sabre Rattlings, we have welcomed some new teaching and support staff. It is always incredible to see the ways that God meets our needs and provides for us!

The Board would like to thank Fiona Prins for her years of excellent service to the school. She has been a blessing to LCS and we wish her well in her future endeavors. To meet the needs of our growing school, the Board has been working on a new structure for the front office staff. We are excited to welcome Ashleigh Luyks as the new Administrative Assistant and Bobbi Talsma as the new Secretary.

The annual spring auction is scheduled for April 25. This is always an enjoyable time of fun and fellowship with a buffet supper, hall of games for kids, and both silent and live auctions. The first \$50,000 of Auction proceeds has been allocated toward budget operating costs and the remaining funds will be used for building upgrades such as the Art/Science Lab Renovation.

And while on the topic of fundraising, watch your mailboxes for letters with information about the Spring Drive. In all these things, we ask that you prayerfully consider your donation and we thank you for your continued support for Lacombe Christian School.

The Spring Society Meeting will be held on Monday, May 12, 2025 and it would be great to see the society represented there as we welcome new Board members and thank outgoing Board members for their years of service. Please watch for the information packages in early May. We ask for your ongoing prayers for the Board, our staff, and our school.

In Christ, Gwen Tiggelaar, LCS Board Secretary

"Lift your voice and sing that Christ is King for Jesus is Alive" -City Alight



Once a month, throughout the year we have a list of staff, events, new families, committees & fellow Christian Schools for you to include in your daily devotions and prayers. By the end of the year, we will have been able to lift, in prayer, every aspect of our school to our faithful God.

"He (Jesus) withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed: Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." ~Luke 22:41-42

Board Member: Mr. Aaron Eisses

Committee: Auction Committee

Staff Members: Mrs. Stephanie Littel, Grade 1B Teacher
Mrs. Michele Noort, Grade 9A Teacher
Mrs. Heather Polson, Elementary EA
Mrs. Alison Niemeijer, Development Officer

New Families: Joel & Melissa Kok, John(6A), Colin(9A)

Classes: Grade 1B & Grade 9A

Assembly: 'Supported' -led by Grade 1

Sports: Grades K-3 Swimming

Other Events: Easter Break / Auction / Grandparents Day

Fellow Christian Schools:

Taber Christian & Gateway Christian (Red Deer)



Welcome New Office Staff

Hello my name is Bobbi Talsma. I am excited to be a part of Lacombe Christian School and take on the role of school secretary. I grew up in Caroline and moved back to the Lacombe/Bentley area 12 years ago, where I now live with my husband Travis and two children, Avery (Grade 6) and Lachlan (Grade 2). I have been fortunate to stay at home with the kids until now and am eager to take on a new challenge. My family is active in sports, including hockey, soccer, and lacrosse, and I enjoy camping, being outdoors, travelling and spending quality time with friends and family. I'm looking forward to getting to know the students, parents, and staff at LCS.



Hi! My name is Ashleigh Luyks and I am really looking forward to being your Administrative Assistant! I grew up in Fort McMurray Alberta and after high school I went to university to graduate with my BBA degree. I married my high school sweetheart, Jeremy, and we have two amazing children, Carter (Gr.1) and Chevy who starts play school next year. We have attended the Lacombe Pentecostal Church here in Lacombe for the past 18 years. As a family we enjoy golfing together, and spending time outside. I am very thankful for the opportunity to be a part of the team here at LCS and I look forward to getting to know all the students and staff!

Auction! Friday, April 25th

The LCS Board and Auction Committee invite you to join us for our ANNUAL FUNDRAISING AUCTION at LCS! Location: West Campus.

Hamburger & Hotdog Buffet(\$) 4:30-6:30pm **Auction starts at 6:00pm Games(\$)** and a movie to keep kids entertained.

You can help support the school by donating store-bought items, hand crafted items, or offer a service/skill. **Are you new to the school and own a business, or did not get contacted last year?** If you would like to be contacted by a committee member or if you have any questions about donating, please contact Karri Folkerts; 587-876-8295 or kfolkerts@lacs.ca for more info.

Items can be dropped off at the school 8:30am-4pm (Deadline: Wednesday, April 23).

Your support for LCS through the Auction is greatly appreciated!

This year's proceeds: First \$50,000 to operating costs, then art/science room and new carpeting.



The students of LCS will once again be collecting donations to fill Baskets to sell at the Annual Auction! The following is a breakdown of what each class has chosen as their 'theme' for a basket. If you are willing to send an optional contribution with your child for the class basket. We ask that the items be at the school no later than **Wed, April 16th**. Thank you for your support!

BASKETS

Playschool - New Baby	K1 - Toys	K2 - Toys
1A - Chocolate	1B - LEGO	2A - Anything Purple
2B - Dutch	3A - Faith Based	3B - Family Games Night
4A - Black & White	4B - Pet	5A - Snack/Candy
5B - Camping	6A - Anything Blue	6B - Arts & Crafts
7A - Get Green	7B - Little Basket of Sunshine	8A - Home Town
8B - Are We There Yet?	9A & 9B - Baskets (Larger Laundry or similar size)	



Important Reminders!

ALLERGY ALERT POLICY: BOTH Campuses
NO Peanuts, NO Peanut Butter, NO Peanut Products

Contacting the School: If your child is ill or will be late, please inform the office first thing each morning. The easiest way is to send a Remind message to your teacher and the office! Please do not call the office after 3pm to give messages to students, as students are not always in their Home Rooms during last period.

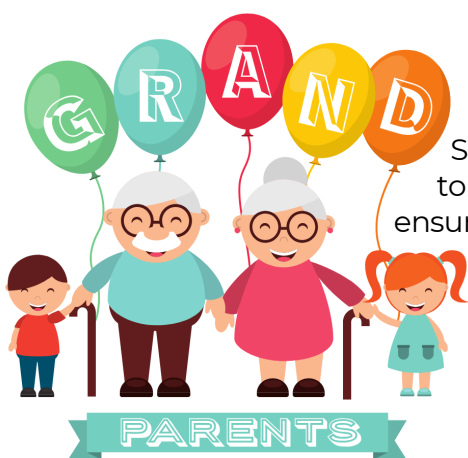
PARKING: Please be careful not to park too close to our neighbour's driveways. We want to be good neighbours and ensure we are not infringing on their ability to enter/exit their properties. Also, there is **NO PARKING** permitted on the side of the street in front of both school buildings from 3:25-3:45 as this is where buses need to park. Please use the crosswalks and don't cross between buses.

Dress Code: With the weather getting warmer, it is only natural that students want to wear the 'coolest' clothes. However, we find that some of the 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 the teachers or the principal to be unacceptable, will be asked to call home for a change of clothes, or clothes will be provided for them. Thank you for your cooperation!

FIELD TRIP SEASON IS UPON US! Our school policy is that no child under 12 is allowed in the front seat; students under 6 (or under 40 lbs) are required by law to use a child safety seat; students under the age of 9 (or under 80 lbs) are recommended to be in a booster seat; and finally, please ensure that you have adequate insurance, in the amount of \$1,000,000 liability (\$2 million is preferred).

Bell Schedule

Warning	8:40am
Period 1	8:50-9:30
Period 2	9:30-10:10
Period 3	10:10-10:50
Recess	10:50-11:05
Period 4	11:05-11:45
Period 5	11:45-12:25
Lunch	12:25-1:15
Period 6	1:15-1:55
Period 7	1:55-2:40
Period 8	2:40-3:25
Closing	3:25-3:35
Dismissal	3:35pm



& Seniors' Day! April 28, 2025

Students have received invitations to deliver to their Grandparents. To ensure that some students are not left out on this very special day because of Grandparents that are not able to attend, we encourage you to make arrangements with a family member or senior friend to come that day.

2024 Annual Spring Drive Results

\$66,200

2025 Spring Drive
information coming soon!

Financial Statement for: February 2025

Revenue	+	\$368,885.56
Expenses	-	\$387,087.03
Net Income =		(\$18,201.47)
Book Balance (FEB 1) +		\$405,483.05
Book Balance (FEB 28) =		\$387,281.58
Bank Balance (FEB 28)		\$3,116.15
Outstanding Deposits +		\$0.00
Outstanding Cheques -		\$834.57
Book Balance (FEB 28) =		\$2,281.58
Savings Account (FEB 28) =		\$385,000.00



Playschool & Kindergarten 2025/26:

Do you have a child Playschool or Kindergarten age?

Don't miss out: Invitations are coming soon for orientations in May, but you need to be registered so we can keep you informed! All children who will turn 4 by Dec 31, 2025, are eligible for Playschool and all children who will turn 5 by Dec 31, 2025, are eligible for Kindergarten for the 2025/2026 school year.

**Forms may be obtained from the school office
or downloaded from www.lacs.ca.**



Sabres Athletics

Another season of basketball has come, and gone here at LCS. With five competing teams the gyms were kept busy, and the support of fans was outstanding. We saw thrilling matchups, some close and lopsided scores, and remarkable individual performances.

Our B teams both placed second in their wrap-up tournaments, showing steady improvement throughout the season. Our three A teams were very successful in their leagues. Our girls team competed in the league playoffs and lost a very exciting overtime game in the CWAJHAA finals! Well done, girls! Both of our A boys teams competed in a strong league, with our "Purple" team winning a hard fought, come from behind victory in the league championships at Iron Ridge in Blackfalds. It has been a successful season under the excellent guidance of our coaches. It is through their guidance, dedication, and mentorship that LCS is able to run our Sabres athletics program, so a huge thank you to them for their commitment!

The season has also come to an end for the Junior High and the K-6 Hockey Program. As you can see from the team photos, this is a popular program –we had 5 Elementary teams and 2 JH teams this year! Thank you to our volunteer organizers for organizing the teams and scheduling ice time for practices and games. Thank you coaches and parents for another great season!

Students are now focused on badminton and practicing for their first tournament on April 15th.



A Boys 'Black'



A Boys 'Purple'



B Boys



A Girls



B Girls



JH White



JH Black



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Building Blocks is Looking for Volunteers!

Volunteers needed for Wednesday afternoons ASAP. Building Blocks is a volunteer run thrift store with all proceeds going to CACHS and LCS, we rely on you to keep the store running!

Please come by the store and speak with our manager, Elysia.

We are also looking for an adult to take a paid position for casual extra Saturday help, specifically for this summer. Please send resume to buildingblocksts@gmail.com or drop it off in person at the store.

Please support our Newsletter Sponsors!



This year, just by purchasing your groceries at Sobeys, with giftcards purchased at the office,

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