

LCS SPRING NEWSLETTER

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"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.'" Matthew 28:5-7a

Bell Schedule	
Warning	8:45am
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

March - April		18	19	20	21
Happy Spring Break!		Hope Students Enjoy the Time Off!		No School, PD day	
22	23	24	25	26	27
29	30	31	1	2	3
5	6	7	8	9	10
12	13	14	15	16	17
19	20	21	22	23	24
26	27	28	29	30	1

Our school calendar gets updated frequently!
 We have 3 Calendars to add: **LCS General** for assemblies, hot lunches, etc. **Division/Class** for field trips or events, & **Sports** for those involved in JH sports. lacs.ca/calendar

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."

Financial Statement: February 2026

Revenue:	+ \$383,693.79
Expenses:	- \$440,188.45
Net Income:	+ (\$56,494.66)
Book Balance (Feb 1)	+ \$540,645.08
Book Balance (Feb 28)	= \$484,150.42
Bank Balance (Feb 28)	+ \$5,807.72
Outstanding Deposits	+ \$1,466.00
Outstanding Cheques	-(\$1,876.70)
Book Balance (Feb 28)	= \$9,150.42
Savings (Feb 28)	= \$475,000.00

Important Reminders

2025 SPRING DRIVE!

Thank you for your financial support!

\$136,688.50

Look for the 2026 Spring Drive coming to your mailboxes soon!

Grandparents' Newsletter:

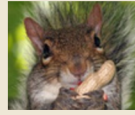
Grandparents receive their own news twice per year. If students' Grandparents would like to receive the newsletter, please contact us at development@lacs.ca



Is Your 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! There are still spots available in playschool, but kindergarten has a wait-list. Children who turn 4 by 12/31/26 are eligible for Playschool and children who will turn 5 by 12/31/26 are eligible for Kindergarten for the 2026/2027 schoolyear. Forms may be obtained from the school office or downloaded from www.lacs.ca.

ALLERGY ALERT POLICY:



**NO Peanuts/Peanut-Butter
NO Peanut Products**



Student Safety: Our school safety patrols work hard to help students cross 58 Street safely. Parents need to set a good example by using the crosswalks and encouraging children to follow the same rules. Please do not cross between buses!

A Reminder about the East Campus Security System...

The East Campus (Playschool - Gr. 3) has a security system on the front doors with a code needed to access the building during school hours. If you need entry, please request the code from the office. We ask that you do not share this code. Parents must escort their child(ren) to the door to ensure they gained entry, we do not want our little ones to be locked out!

PARKING: Drop off & Pick up: There is NO PARKING permitted on the street directly in front of the school buildings before and after school as buses will be coming in. We recommend parking on the East or South side of the East campus playground when picking up children. Please **DO NOT** block or park too closely to driveways (Bylaw says 1.5m or 5 feet). We want to be good neighbours in our community and ensure we are not blocking them from entering/exiting their properties. Also, any vehicles parked on school property are not allowed to move until ALL buses have left. Please **DO NOT** move the traffic cones. They are put there for student safety. Also, no double parking on the West Campus by the gym, use parking stalls.

Communication/Messages: We use Remind to contact you for attendance, school cancellations & other important information. If your child is ill or has an appointment, please inform the office & the teacher first thing each day using Remind. Students are not allowed their phones during school hours, please message their teacher (who will check for messages at break times).

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

& 80th Anniversary Dessert Night!

Thursday, April 9th, 6-8pm

Come and see what the students have been learning throughout this year, and celebrate Christian Education in the Lacombe area for 80 years!



2026 ANNUAL AUCTION, Friday April 24th

Join us for an exciting auction & supper! Location: LCS West Campus.

Hamburger & Hotdog Buffet (\$ donation) 4:30-6:30pm

Live Auction starts at 6:00pm! Games(\$!) & movie to entertain kids.

You can help support the school by donating store-bought items, handcrafted items, or offer a service/skill. Are you new to the school or own a business and have questions about donating, please contact the Auction Committee Chair, Karri Folkerts at 587.876.8295 or kfolkerts@lacs.ca for more info.

2026 proceeds: operating costs, west playground, then capital improvements.

BASKETS

Playschool - Baby	K1 - Toys	K2 - Toys
1A - Chocolate	1B - LEGO	2A - Anything Purple
2B - Dutch	3A - 'Gone fishing'	3B - Family Games Night
4A - 'A Latte Books'	4B - Arts & Crafts	5A - Snack Attack
5B - Happy Camper	6A - Anything Blue	6B - Fun in the Sun
7A - Sports	7B - Movie Night	8A - Home Town
8B - Are We There Yet?	9A & 9B - Baskets (Larger Laundry or similar size)	



PARENTS & Seniors' Day! April 27, 2026

Students have received invitations to deliver to their Grandparents. If they are unable to attend, we encourage you to make arrangements with a family member or senior friend to come visit the school that day!



March 2026

God's Faithfulness Through Generations

The theme of this month centres on God's faithfulness. As we read through Scripture, we see the hand of God constantly present, guiding His people through times of trial and times of joy. Psalms 105 and 106 have always felt like good summaries of God's faithful, covenantal work in the lives of His people, Israel, from Abraham through their entrance to the promised land and beyond. That same faithfulness is present in our lives. As Psalm 100 says, "the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

The Grade 4 classes had a beautiful demonstration of this faithfulness during their assembly this month. As different students came up, they described events of God's faithfulness, from creation to Christ's coming, and created a timeline of that faithfulness. Then there were a host of Grade 4s who gave Bible verses that displayed the faithfulness of God. It became abundantly clear (if it wasn't already) that God's faithfulness is amazing and fully trustworthy!

Again, as Lacombe Christian School, we know that we have depended upon and continue to depend on God's rich faithfulness. For 80 years, from a single-room schoolhouse with 27 students to now with two campuses, 472 students, and 221 families, that same faithfulness guides and sustains us. "One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts" (Psalm 145:4).

We can praise, with the prophet Jeremiah, "because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness!" (Lamentations 3:22-23)

School Updates

March is generally a "short" month, but it's packed with "busy"ness, despite its length. Teachers go into overdrive to make sure report cards are all taken care of. They've gone out this Monday again. We hope that this growing portfolio is a valuable touch-point and artifact for students and parents!

For our Grade 6 to 9 students, their Options courses have changed and they're now in their last Option for the school year! We're very thankful for the different experiences this affords many of our students. One of the Options I'd love to highlight is our Outdoor Education option. Mr. Debreë has added archery to it this year, which has been a real hit for the students taking that option. Mr. Kohlen (our Building and Maintenance man) also got certified this year and is helping Mr. Debreë with that option.

We welcomed back Mrs. Tiemstra at the beginning of March after a leave for knee surgery. We're thankful for her return and she's back to work, supporting many of the Grade 7 to 9 students. Mrs. Sauve will also be returning at the end of this month from maternity leave. At that time, she will move into her new role as a vice principal at LCS. We're excited for this change! And, hopefully, Mrs. VanDoesburg will be back after Spring Break. She's been away after an injury on the ski hill (also a knee). We're looking forward to her return too!

As we move toward April, our teachers are continuing to plan and prepare for the upcoming Celebration of Learning. Last year was our inaugural CoL and we're looking forward to our second one. There will be a few new things to see, including a silent auction of some of the clay work that Grade 8s did during Arts Month - proceeds going to the Lacombe Food Bank.

We're also excited for our upcoming Auction! Proceeds from this auction will be going to some much needed renos, including some new windows and a major update to the front office. We're also raising money for a new playground on the West Campus - our Grade 4-7s completed a survey about their hopes for this update. Hopefully we can have something in place by the summer of 2027!

As always, we are grateful for your ongoing prayers and support! God's faithfulness is alive in you! Thank you!

Blessings, from LCS.
Derek Hoogerdijk, Principal

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"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy, he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

Greetings Lacombe Christian School Society,

As we move into the spring season, we are reminded of the renewal and hope it brings, and we look ahead with gratitude to the Easter season, reflecting on Christ's perfect sacrifice and resurrection. We hope that you will have a restful and refreshing Spring Break.

The Board has continued its work with new family interviews and planning for the 2026–2027 school year. We remain thankful for the many ways God continues to provide for our school community.

The annual Spring Auction is scheduled for April 24. This event continues to be a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and community, featuring a buffet supper, children's activities, and both silent and live auctions. Proceeds will support operating costs, as well as ongoing projects such as the West Campus playground and facility upgrades.

You will also soon receive information about the Spring Drive. We invite you to prayerfully consider how you may be able to support the school through this initiative, and we thank you for your continued generosity.

The Spring Society Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 11. This is an important opportunity to gather as a community and school society to reflect on the year and plan for the future. During this meeting we hope to have the Prairie Centre for Christian Education present on the governance structure of LCS. This is also when new Board members will be elected to replace those who have completed their terms. Additional details will be shared in the coming weeks.

We also want to acknowledge that this season has not been without its challenges. Times of strain and interpersonal difficulty can arise in any community, and during such moments, we are reminded of the importance of extending grace to one another. We encourage all members of our community to engage in uplifting, respectful communication. We ask for your continued prayers for the Board, our staff, and our entire school community.

Wishing you a peaceful and blessed spring season.

In Christ,
Gwen Tiggelaar, LCS Board Secretary



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. Marcel Wassink
- Committee: Auction Committee
- Staff Members: Miss Leah Jackson, Grade 1A Teacher
Mrs. Michele Noort, Grade 9A Teacher
Mr. Jack Oudman, Business Administrator
Mrs. Alison Niemeijer, Development Officer
- New Families: Alisha DeJager, Enny(K1)
Katie Veldkamp, Caylee(9A) Callen(7A) Thea(5A)
Dayne & Jamie Klassen, Arlo(1A)
- Classes: Grade 1A & Grade 9A
- Assembly: 'Our Hope for the Future' -led by Grade 1
- Sports: Grades K-3 Swimming
- Other Events: Celebration of Learning & 80th Anniversary
Spring Drive / Auction / Grandparents Day
- Fellow Christian Schools: Taber Christian & Gateway Christian



LACOMBE CHRISTIAN SABRES ATHLETICS

Another season of basketball has come, and gone here at LCS. With 6 competing teams the gyms were kept busy, and the support of fans was outstanding.



A Boys

We saw thrilling matchups, close and lopsided scores, and remarkable individual performances. The girls "C" team had an amazing season, winning their league, and developing their skills immensely. Our 3 "B" teams played in their wrapup tournaments, showing steady improvement throughout the season. The boys and girls "A" teams were very successful in their leagues, both winning exciting finals bringing more banners to hang on the wall. The teams will play in CWAJHAA championship tournaments to end their season.



B Girls

It has been another 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.



B1 Boys

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 a wonderful season! Badminton is next with tryouts & competitions in April.

SABREWEAR is Available All Year! (use QR to order)
Hoodies, Shirts, Hats, & more! Sabres or LCS logos.



B2 Boys



C Girls



JH White



JH Black



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