LCS WINTER NEWSLETTER

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Join us for our

KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 5 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Wednesday, December 9, 7 pm at the College Heights Seventh Day Adventist Church.

{ Students are asked to wear their 'Sunday Best' & be in the basement by 6:40pm }

BEHOLD HIM



December -		January 1	2	3 Parent/Teacher Conferences Book Fair	4 Book Fair **NO SCHOOL-** Staff Collaboration	5
6	7	8	9 Bake Sale Christmas Program, 7 PM	10 Bake Sale	11 Hot Lunch, Ham Subs	12
13	14	15 Staff Christmas Lunch	16 Assembly, 9 am (Gr 6B & 1B lead)	17	18 Last Day of School for 2026!	19
20	21	22				26
27	28	29			1	2

Have a Blessed Christmas Holiday with your Families!

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: September 2026

Revenue:	+ $618,371.08
Expenses:	- $318,963.96
Net Income:	+ $299,407.12
Book Balance (SEP 1)	+ $221,888.31
Book Balance (SEP 30)	= $521,295.43
Bank Balance (SEP 30)	+ $36,095.46
Outstanding Deposits	+ $6.00
Outstanding Cheques	- $14,272.50
Book Balance (SEP 30)	= $21,828.96
Savings (SEP 30)	= $499,466.47

LACOMBE CHRISTIAN SABRES ATHLETICS 2026 / 2027



GOLF TEAM


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Another school year is underway, and the energy and excitement of school sports has followed suit. The 20 member cross country team, led by coaches Mrs. deRegt and Mrs. Brouwer, put in many kilometres both in practices and competitions. With many strong finishes including bringing home the 2J Wolf Creek Banner. This year the golf season was short with just one tournament but we brought home our first ever banner! The girls brought home the 2J/3J banner. The Volleyball season has just wrapped up. With a record number of signups, we were able to field 6 volleyball teams in the Wolf Creek athletics league. Congratulations to the A boys team for placing second in the Wolf Creek finals, as well as winning the CWAJHAA championship. The A Girls (Doef) team also placed second in the Wolf Creek finals and placed third at CWAJHAA's. The A Girls (Visscher) team and both B Boys and B Girls teams all grew and developed and were able to finish off their seasons with mini tournaments as well. Thank you to coaches Mrs. M. Doef, Mr. Prins, Mr. Debree, Mr. H. Doef, Mr. Luymes, Mrs. Buit, Mrs. Visscher, Mrs. Talsma, Mr. J. deGroot , Mrs. B. deGroot, Miss Harink, Mrs. Ekkel, and Mrs. Lindhout for spending countless hours with our young athletes, emphasizing the importance of teamwork, sportsmanship, skill and using gifts to God's glory. We are gearing up to start the basketball season, and tryouts are underway - 75 students have signed up!! Thank you to parents, grandparents and supporters for driving and cheering us on! As you can see - we need a lot of people to help our Sabres Athletics Program run smoothly.


A Girls (Doef) VOLLEYBALL TEAM


A Girls (Visscher) VOLLEYBALL TEAM


A BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM


B Girls (Luymes) VOLLEYBALL TEAM


B Girls (deGroot) VOLLEYBALL TEAM


B BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM


CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

SABREWEAR NOW AVAILABLE!

Hoodies, Shirts, Hats, and more! Available with Sabres & LCS logos. Order by December 1 to receive items in time for Christmas!

November/December 2026

Following Jesus: "The Christ has Come"

Over the past two months, LCS has focused on the coming of Jesus. In November, we looked at the foretelling of Jesus' birth by the angel Gabriel. In Luke 1, we are told that Gabriel announces His coming birth to Mary, saying, "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and … his kingdom will never end." The Messiah is coming, the King is announced! This month, we will be looking at the birth of Jesus, the Light of the World come down to us. In a world of darkness, marred by sin, this Light is the light we need. He cuts through the darkness and the darkness cannot overcome Him (John 1:5). We recognize, as we follow the story of Jesus, that this birth is necessary - God would take human form, fulfill the Law that we cannot fulfill, and pay the price we could never pay, sacrificing himself on the cross for the salvation of his people. This is foolishness to the world, but we know that it is the wisdom of God. The King, our Christ, has come! He has conquered! The Lamb that was slain is the Lion, who will return victorious! We invite you to our December assembly on the 16th!

School Updates

In the months since our last update, the school year has continued very well. Teachers are teaching; students are learning - basically what you'd expect from a school. October is also a month of conferences - Tim and I attended the Christian Schools Canada and the AISCA leaders' conferences. The teachers attended the Prairie Centre for Christian Education Teachers' Convention too. These are great opportunities to learn and recharge. And that was the theme of a few of these conferences - from both Christian and secular perspectives we were educated on the value of rest for high performance. As teachers and leaders, it is very easy to get swallowed up by our jobs - we love our students and community! But, like every other human on the planet, we also need to recognize our limitations and to trust in God for the strength we need (and the rest He calls us to).

Right now, it's a busy time of the year, with report cards upon us and Parent-Teacher Interviews coming up soon. This is an exciting time of the year, where student achievements can be celebrated and further connection with you, the parents, can be cultivated. We're looking forward to building up from this as the next terms unfold.

In the midst of these things, there are a lot of other events happening too! Mrs. Milgate and our Drama Option put on a wonderful performance of Max Lucado's book, You are Special. It was amazing to see all the parents, grandparents, and friends that dropped in for this too!

Our volleyball teams wrapped up their seasons last month. Both the A Boys and one of the A Girls teams finished 2nd in Wolf Creek. The Girls finished 3rd in CWAJJHAs, while the Boys wrapped up their season with a 1st place finish. Hats off to all our teams!

Our Christmas concert is coming up soon. Mrs. Kraay and the other teachers have been practicing with our younger students quite a bit and that will only ramp up as the days approach. We hope to see you all at the concert on December 9 at 7:00 PM at the College Heights SDA church.



Once a month, throughout the year we will have a list of staff, events, new families, committees and 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 Saviour.

Board Member: Mrs. Michelle DeRegt

Committees: Tuition Relief

Staff Members: Mrs. Willeke Kraay, Music
Miss Macy Ahlquist, Educational Assistant
Mrs. Mel Zuidhof, Library
Mrs. Emma Verveda, Grade 6B Teacher
Mrs. Stephanie Littel, Grade 1B Teacher

New Families: Mcguire, Matthew & Tiffany- Maverick (P1)
Moore, Aaron & Anne - Alexander (K1)
Schermers, David & Emily (K2)

Classes: Grade 6B and Grade 1B

Assembly: The Birth of Jesus (December 16)

Sports: Basketball

Events: For K-5 Christmas Program & Christmas Break

Fellow Christian Schools: Rimbey Christian & Rocky Christian

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, so that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life"
-John 3:16

Important Reminders

2025 SPRING DRIVE!

Thank you for your financial support!

$123,700

There is still a chance to donate at the office or online at www.lacs.ca

Thank You Building Blocks Thrift Store!

For donations totalling $100,000 for 26/27 School Year!

Thank you for your donations and thank you to the volunteers who make this possible!

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

Tuition Payments 2026/27

Reminder that if you have not paid any tuition for this year, now is a good time to do so! Any tuition received by Dec 31 will qualify for a 2026 donation tax receipt. Any questions, contact Alison Niemeijer, LCS Business Administrator; 403-782-6531 or business@lacs.ca. E-transfer payments to business@lacs.ca. Thank you.



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!

ALLERGY ALERT POLICY:



NO Peanuts/Peanut-Butter
NO Peanut Products

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 **(LCS 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).

Canyon Ski Nights

DATES FOR THE 2026/27 School Year

Friday Night Skiing: 4-9pm

January 15 (sign-up by Jan 5*)
February 26 (sign-up by Feb 16*)
March 19 (sign-up by Mar 9*)

*We use an online form, the link will be sent to you.

There is NO OBLIGATION and no pressure to sign up. Ski Nights are a great place to learn to ski or snowboard at an affordable place with great beginner (and advanced) runs!

NO LATE SIGN-UPS will be accepted.

Pay with: debit/credit or e-transfer to business@lacs.ca

PRICES: *GST included

Grades K to 6:	
Lift & Lesson Only	$32
Lift/Lesson/Ski or Board Rental	$55
Grades 7 to Adult:	
Lift & Lesson Only	$37
Lift/Lesson/Ski or Board Rental	$61

Rentals include helmet

LESSONS are COMPLIMENTARY.

If you don't need a lesson, there is a no lesson selection available on the form. You will receive an email before the night explaining when each lesson level starts.

IF your child is 5 & under OR special needs, you will need to book a PRIVATE lesson directly through Canyon at 403-346-5588. You still book the lift ticket and rentals through the school, and just book the lesson directly through them.

Please note: Lacombe Christian School's facility is used for ski registration purposes only.
This is an extra-curricular activity and parents must assume responsibility for transportation and injuries incurred with this program.
These evenings are organized for the enjoyment of our school registered families.
Any individuals that are not society members are under the responsibility of the family that invites them.

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"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom His favour rests."
-Luke 2:14

On behalf of the Lacombe Christian School Board, I would like to extend greetings to you. It has been a blessing to see the school year get underway, and we are grateful for the continued commitment of our staff, students, families, and volunteers who faithfully support, encourage, and partner in the mission of Lacombe Christian School.

At our recent Fall Society Meeting, Kayla VanGeest was elected to serve as a board member. We are thankful for Kayla's willingness to serve in this role and would also like to express our appreciation to Aaron Eisses for his time and dedication while serving on the board.

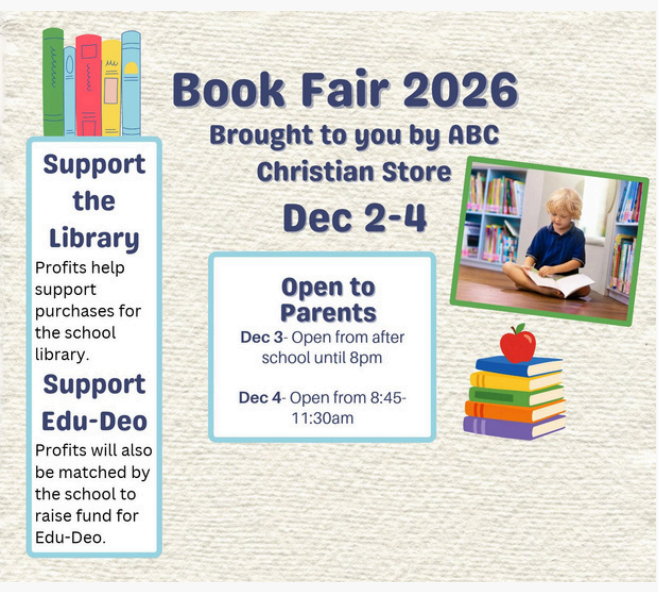
Society members also approved an adjustment to the school bylaws, increasing board member terms from three years to four years, with the option of serving an additional half-term, for a maximum of six years. This change is intended to help provide greater consistency and continuity within the board.

An update was also shared regarding the West Campus Playground. Since the Spring Auction, the proposed playground plans have been revised, as the original quote did not seem to provide a playground substantial enough to accommodate the number of students our school serves. We are hopeful that the updated plan will allow us to create a more substantial and enjoyable play space for our students and community. To help make this project possible while keeping costs manageable, we will need support from the society, particularly through volunteers who are willing to help with the build. We encourage everyone to prayerfully consider whether they might be able to help in this way. The build is currently projected to take place in late June 2027. We are excited to share that LCS has also received a generous $5 000 donation from Echo Energy toward the playground project! We are very grateful for all of the contributions and for the support shown toward creating a wonderful space for our students.

Work is also underway to develop a new Strategic Plan, as our previous plan has come to an end. We are thankful for the support and guidance PCCE can offer throughout this process and look forward to working together to establish goals and priorities that will help guide LCS over the next five years.

We are thankful to God for His continued guidance and blessings over our school. As we enter this Christmas season, we are reminded of the greatest gift of all, the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Wishing everyone a blessed Christmas.

In His Service,
Michelle deRegt, Board Secretary



WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING EARLY REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS FOR PLAYSCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN FROM OUR CURRENT LCS FAMILIES STARTING DEC 7! (OPENS TO PUBLIC JAN 4TH)

Playschool Registration is open to children who will be 4 years old by Dec 31,2027. We have 2 classes available: Tu/Th 8:45-11:15am (2.5hrs) OR Fridays 8:45-11:45am (3hrs). Kindergarten Registration is available for children who will be 5 by Dec 31, 2027. We offer two classes of full-day Kindergarten, either M/W or T/Th, with busing included. Registration Applications will be sent via Remind and you can apply online this year. If you don't receive the link, call the office at 403-782-6531, or find the link on the schools website: www.lacs.ca

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