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June 7, 2017



Family Picnic Lunch

On Wednesday, June 28 we will hold our Annual Family Picnic after the final Celebration (around 12:15). You may bring your own lunch or you may order a hot lunch (pizza). The lunch serves as our fundraiser for our Christian School support organization, The Prairie Centre for Christian Education and as such the order form includes a spot for you to make a specific donation to the great work PCCE does.

Two ordering options:

- 1) Preferred Method: Order online through our school hot lunch website (www.covenantchristian.hotlunches.net). If you would like to order for parents, younger siblings etc, those items can be added to a student's order.
- 2) Order using the attached order form (1/student). Other family members attending can order additional lunch items on their child's form. Orders are due Wednesday, June 21. No late orders can be accepted.

Bill 1 – School Fees

The Alberta government recently passed Bill 1 regarding school fees. As Covenant is a school of choice, however, this Bill does not apply to the majority of our school and transportation fees. Our fees are set by the Leduc Society for Christian Education to cover costs associated with Christian programming (membership fees, staff education, etc.) and costs of owning our facility and running

our own buses. The Executive committee will be reviewing the impact of the Bill on our fees at their meeting next week. Black Gold's response to Bill 1 is posted on their website (www.blackgold.ca), while Covenant's fees are explained at <http://ccs.blackgold.ca/parents/fees-payment/>.

School Dress Guidelines

Summer weather has arrived and with that comes “summer clothing” and some challenges that go along with that. Our goal is modest dress for all students (K-9):

- Shorts & skirts: mid-thigh length is appropriate
- Shirts: long enough to cover the stomach, undergarments should be covered, tank tops and muscle shirts should be modest, no large arm holes.

Your assistance in monitoring clothing choices is appreciated.

Employment Opportunity

As Mrs. Glesman will be teaching Kindergarten here at CCS in the fall, (while Mrs. Luchak is on maternity leave) we are in need of a new Preschool teacher. We thank Mrs. Glesman and congratulate her on her new role!

Covenant Christian Preschool is seeking a qualified preschool teacher with a minimum Childhood Development Worker Certification (formerly level 2) for our preschool program. Our preschool program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays from September to May. The successful candidate will demonstrate a commitment to Christian values and a desire to work with preschool children.

For further information, please contact Lisa Gatzke at the school office: 780-986-8353. Your letter of application, resume, current criminal record check and childrens' services intervention check may be submitted in person, by fax to 780-986-8360, or by email to lisa.gatzke.lsce@gmail.com. Salary will be negotiable dependent on qualifications and experience. Only applications received on or before June 23 at 3:30 pm will be considered.

School Supply Kits

As in previous years, we are offering parents an opportunity to purchase all their child's school supplies by ordering a pre-packaged kit that comes with all the required supplies. This year we have decided to go with Staples for our school supply kits. If you are interested in using this service, you can find ordering details on our website as well as attached to this week's Chronicle. The deadline to place your order is July 11, 2017.

Black Gold Bus Information

Black Gold transportation is implementing a new system to notify parents of bussing information for the 2017-2018 school year. You will be able to find your route information by signing in to the Bus Planner Web website

<https://busplannerweb.blackgold.ca/>

Attached is an information sheet with details on how to sign in etc.

Please note rural bus times may vary.

Bus passes will be mailed out to those students in grades K-6 while passes for students in grades 7-12 will be delivered to their school in September.

Library Materials

Hard to believe this is the last week the students will check out materials from the Library for this school year! It has been a great year, and I have enjoyed watching the students get excited about a new series or author they have discovered.

It is my goal to have **all books returned no later than June 16**. (Please check around the house for any books that may have been forgotten about). Any outstanding books will be marked as lost and the fee will be added to your PowerSchool account.

I have really enjoyed this year with the students!!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at gloria.horvath@blackgold.ca or call the school.

Grade 7 and 8 Parents

On Friday, June 16, 2017, students in grade 7 & 8 will be providing snacks and refreshments for the grade 9 graduation. This is something the grade 7 and 8 classes do yearly in service to the

grade 9 graduating class. The reception will take place in the church directly following the ceremony. The ceremony is at 7:30 pm in the Ebenezer church sanctuary and should be completed by 9:00 pm. If you are not planning to attend the ceremony, it is still requested that you provide your snack.

Please drop off your snack tray at school on June 16, 2017. Some food will be stored in our refrigerators.

Lisa Watts will be organizing the setup of the reception and the making of the punch. She could use assistance from other grade 7 and 8 parents. Please contact Lisa if you would be willing to help out with this.

A letter will go home on Monday outlining the snack that each student is to provide. Please drop off your snack tray at school on Friday, June 16.

Elementary Track Meet Results

Grade 4 Girls A Team: 3rd place in Running Long Jump

Grade 6 Girls A Team: 4th place in Running Long Jump

Grade 6 Girls A Team: 4th place in Ball Throw

Grade 6 Boys A Team: 5th place in Ball Throw

Grade 4 Boys A Team: 1st place in 4x50m race

Grade 4 Girls A Team: 5th place in 4x100m race

Grade 6 Girls A Team: 5th place in 4x100m race

Grade 4 Boys A Team: 2nd place in 4x100m race

Grade 4 Mixed A Team: 3rd place in 4x50m race

Grade 4 Mixed B Team: 6th place in 4x50m race

Preliminary Invoices

Preliminary Invoices were mailed out at the end of May; please watch your mail for them. All returning families are entitled to a \$75.00 discount if a \$200.00 deposit is made by June 15. If you have any questions please contact Lisa via email at lisa.gatzke.lsce@gmail.com or by calling the office at 780-986-8353.

Parent Prayer Group

Everyone is welcome to join the prayer group that meets every Monday from 8:45 am to 9:15 am in the Preschool room. Prayer during this time is focused on Covenant Christian School.

Online Permission Forms

Black Gold is moving to online permission forms which includes all field trips starting in September and paper copies will no longer be available. You

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will access the forms through your PowerSchool account, fill them out online and then add them to your cart to submit them. Making this change will minimize lost paper forms and allow teachers/office staff and Black Gold to process permission forms more effectively. As always, any fees associated with field trips/events/sports teams etc. will be available to be paid online OR by cash or cheque at the school office. If you have any questions or do not have a current PowerSchool account set up, please contact the school office at 780-986-8353.

This Week @ Covenant

- Our grade 3 class went on a field trip to Mixcor
- Class pictures were taken on Thursday and Friday.
- Grade 4 went to the MaLab on Monday to see a Peter Puffin performance.
- Some of our elementary students participated in the Black Gold Track meet yesterday.
- The grade 7 students left for Jasper yesterday and will return Friday.
- Grade 8 went to Birch Bay Ranch for the day today.

Grade 6 PAT Schedule

- June 19 – Language Arts Part B
- June 20 – Math
- June 22 – Social
- June 23 – Science

Junior High Exam Schedule

Grade 7 Exams

- June 22 – Language Arts Part A
- June 23 – Language Arts Part B
- June 26 – Science*
- June 27 – Social
- June 28 – Math*

Grade 8 Exams

- June 22 – Language Arts Part A
- June 23 – Language Arts Part B
- June 26 – Math*

- June 27 – Science*
- June 28 – Social*

Grade 9 PATs

- June 22 – Exam Prep
- June 23 – Science*
- June 26 – Social*
- June 27 – Language Arts Part B*
- June 28 – Math*

*=cumulative exam

Exams begin first thing in the morning, so please ensure that students arrive at school on time.

Calendar

June	6-9	Grade 7 Jasper Trip
	7	Early dismissal @ 2:30
	16	Grad 9 Graduation
	19	Talent Show in the afternoon
	21	Track & Field Day @ CCS
	28	Last day of school School Picnic
	29-30	Teacher workdays

Bits & Pieces

- During June, Celebration will be held on Thursday mornings.
- All girls in grades 4-6 are invited to come Thursdays for the next 3 weeks (until school ends) from 3:15 – 5:00 pm for drop in basketball practice.
- If you have attended Celebration lately you may have noticed that we have replaced our auditorium chairs! While a lot of the older chairs were quite worn, the ones still in decent shape have gone to a good home at Living Springs Bible Camp.

Community News

Maker Fun Factory VBS

We are created by God and built for a purpose! All children going into Kindergarten to Grade 6 are welcome to join us at Ebenezer Christian Reformed Church in Leduc, AB for a week of learning how much God loves us!

July 17-21, 9:30-12:00 am

Check out our website

www.Ebenezercrc.com for more info!

“Understanding Your Tween” Media Safety

June 13, 2017 at Ecole Dansereau Meadows
School (5907 Rue Eaglemont, Beaumont)

Free Dinner: 5:30-6:30 pm

Parent Session 6:30-7:30 pm

So much time is being spent by teenagers online, using apps, and exploring a whole new world, that for most adults, is like a completely different universe. This session presented by FCSS Beaumont and Black Gold Regional Schools will explore some of the common apps teenagers are using, the pitfalls, online safety and tips for parents and youth to guide them through responsible online behavior.

Contact the Town of Beaumont’s Family and Community Support Services at 780-929-1006 to register. For more information, please contact Stephanie Vantanajal at 780-955-6112.