



ICES Weekly Update March 11, 2024



REPORT CARD CONFERENCES

Report Cards for Term 2 are now open on the Power School portal.

Parents and guardians have the option of meeting in-person or virtually on Teams during the Report Card conferences. Conferences can be booked for after school or the evening of March 14 or the morning of March 15.

To book a session with your child(ren)'s teacher(s), we will once again be using Conference Manager. Conference Manager is open until March 12 at midnight.

**Please see the attachment for instructions around using Conference Manager*

THIS WEEK

March 11 – Report Card 2

March 14 – Theme Basket items due
Report Card Conferences
after school & evening

March 15 – PL Day – no school

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

For the month of March we will be collecting non-perishable food items for the for the Interfaith Food Bank. Items can be brought to the front foyer. We will be collecting donations until, **Thursday, March 28.**

MARCH 20 THEME CHAPEL

The throughline for our March 20 chapel is Justice Seeking. This month, we look forward to having Mr. Les Vonkeman, an ICS alumni, as our guest speaker.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

We know that school supplies can be expensive. In an effort to keep school supplies equitable for all families, we are planning to change the approach to equipping students for the 2024 - 25 school year.

As a Division school, ICES has access to multiple resources purchased in bulk at a lower cost through Lethbridge School Division. Hence, supplies would be purchased in advance by the school and provided to classrooms. Families would then pay the school a standard fee per child. More information regarding specific costs will be provided in the upcoming months. Gym shoes, headphones and backpacks would not be purchased by the school which still provides opportunity for back-to-school shopping.

This approach was implemented in Kindergarten this year and was well-received by parents. We intend to pilot this for the 2024-25 school year as a way for supporting families and gather feedback regarding preference.

FRIENDS OF IMMANUEL

ICES students have the option of contributing to various theme baskets which will be included in a silent auction at the Friends of Immanuel fundraiser on March 20.

This year, the themes are not grade-level specific. Instead, families who choose to participate, can contribute to the theme of their choice.

The six themes this year are:

Games Night
Camp Time
Movie Night
Coffee/Tea Time
Self-care Items
Treats of All Kinds

Items should be submitted to classroom teachers by **Thursday, March 14.**

FRIENDS OF IMMANUEL DESSERT SOCIAL **Wednesday, March 20**

There is still space available at the Friends of Immanuel Dessert Social! This fundraising event is taking place on **Wednesday, March 20th** at ICSS (802-6 Ave. N.).

Doors will open at 7:00 for a time for fellowship and opportunity to look around the school. The program will start at 7:30 and features award-winning author and speaker, Phil Callaway.

*There is no charge to attend this event, but we do ask that you RSVP with the Society office at 403.327.4223 or director@immanuelcs.ca by **Friday, March 8.** We hope to see you there!*

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for the 24-25 school year remains open. If you know of potential families, please direct them to the link on our school website or have them call the school office for more information at 403-317-7860.

Registrations can be accessed on our **ICES website Home page:**
[Kindergarten Registration](#)

MILK ORDERS

School Cash Online is open for the April milk orders and closes on March 25.

SAVE THE DATE FOR BACON!

ICES will be doing another bacon fundraiser, beginning on April 8 and closing on April 22. The link for ordering will be provided once it is live and will be posted to the school website as well.

Delivery of orders will be on Thursday, May 2.

LOOKING AHEAD

March 20 – Theme Chapel @ 12:30
Early Dismissal @ 2:00

March 22 – White/Blue Gold Day
Hot lunch: Hamburgers

March 28 – Easter Chapel – 10:30 Gr. 2 leading

March 29 – April 8 – No School

April 9 – Classes resume