

"Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path."
-Psalm 119:105

God's Story
OUR STORY



"Developing Gifts for Joyful Service"

"You have the power to manipulate and coerce if you want to. You can avoid and ignore if you choose. But you can also ennoble and inspire. You can lift up and appeal to all that is good and honorable and holy. You can remind fallible and finite people around you that they hold their lives and calling as a sacred trust, that their best efforts matter, that their worst failures will one day be redeemed"

-John Ortberg

ICES News and Notes:



ICES Bible Memory James 1:27 (theme – Justice Seeking)

²⁷Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. **(same as last week)**

School Calendar Update: The last learning material day at ICES will be Friday, June 19.

ICES Staffing Updates

In addition to the new hiring notes shared in last week's newsletter, ICES is excited to announce that Mrs. Melanie Winters has been hired as our new Early Learning Program Leader (Pre-K).

Hi, I'm Melanie and I am passionate about working with young children! I graduated from Lethbridge College with a Diploma in Early Childhood Education and immediately got hired as a teachers assistant in a new preschool In Picture Butte where I grew up. I continued to work there for 6 years and eventually bought the preschool and continued to own and teach the preschool children for the next 5 years.. I have over 18 years of experience working with young children in Preschool and Kindergarten settings.

I am a proud mother of three children, Mason and Jada aged 10 and Ashton aged 8. They are my greatest blessings and I have had the privilege of staying home for 8 years to be their first teacher. I enjoy volunteering in all aspects of their learning in school and being their biggest cheerleader in all that they do! My husband and I have built a great life in Lethbridge and we love travelling, camping, pilates, cooking, baking and exercising outside. I continue to be an active volunteer and committee chair in our church and a volunteer at our annual Vacation Bible Camp summer program that my children attend. I have instilled a Christian upbringing in my children passed on from my parents in my upbringing.

I believe in teaching with love and positive direction to encourage children to be independent and caring in their learning environment. I look forward to meeting the staff, parents and children of ICES and learning and growing in my new role as the Early Learning Educator.

Melanie Winters

2020 / 21 – ICES Staffing Plan

Grade Level	FTE	Enrolment	Teacher
EEP	0.45	20	Melanie Winters
KA (Mon/ Wed)	0.5	20	Kathryn Ferrie
KB (Tues/ Thurs)	0.5	22	Kathryn Ferrie
Gr. 1A	1.0	19	Carolyn Kruisselbrink
Gr. 1B	1.0	19	Tracey Driedger
Gr. 2A	1.0	21	Dana Heshka
Gr. 2B	1.0	21	Ruth VH
Gr. 3A	1.0	19	Freda Middel
Gr. 3B	1.0	18	Jackie Postman
Gr. 3C	1.0	18	Jordan Cardamone
Gr. 4A	1.0	27	Mike Greeno
Gr. 4B	0.3	Student groups	Cheryl Winkelaar
Gr. 5A	1.0	20	Alan Riewe
Gr. 5B	1.0	20	Kelsey Morrison
Gr. 5C	1.0	20	Les Greeno
Band	0.125		Charlene Heins
French/Music	0.3		Laura Peters
Vice Principal/LST	1.0		Barbi Wall
Principal	1.0		Search in process



We thank the parents that have been attentive with getting their Lethbridge school division registrations in. For those parents that haven't done so, we ask that you get them in ASAP as this helps us with planning – especially since some classes/grades are very near capacity. Thanks for your consideration.



Year End Celebrations

We are in the process of planning activities to celebrate our school year end (grade 5 graduation, kindergarten graduation, farwells etc). We are still working on what will be and won't be permissible. We don't have answers at this time, but they will be communicated once we know. We haven't forgotten! 😊



Mr. Lieuwen and Mrs. Skidmore

As many of you have already heard – Mr. Richard Lieuwen and Mrs. Susan Skidmore are retiring. We certainly thank them for their many years of service and are working out a way to honor both. To help us with that, if parents and/or current and former students would be willing to send in pictures, notes and / or videos of messages to Mr. Lieuwen or Mrs. Skidmore, please send them to jay.visser@lethsd.ab.ca At this point we are not quite sure what we will be able to do to honor both, but we are working on some things. More information will be shared as it becomes available.



May Birthdays! - ICES students

May 1 – Joel D
May 3 – Quinn W
May 8 – Aiden V
May 9 – Jesse K
May 10 – Ava H
May 13 – Darren H
May 15 – Oliver N
May 16 – Benjamin F

May 16 – Khloe H
May 16 – David N
May 18 – Mataya D
May 23 – Nash W
May 24 – Adelai B
May 29 – Derek P
May 29 – Walker S
May 30 – Gabriel T



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There are a few simple steps to ensure your child will receive quality, standardized brand name products.

- 1) Please visit our website at [**www.CustomSchoolSupplies.ca**](http://www.CustomSchoolSupplies.ca)
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- 5) The deadline to complete your order online without penalty is **June 15th, 2020.**
Ordering will still be available after that (until August 1st) but will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee.

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We are happy to announce that effective May 21 we will begin offering limited curbside pick up service! Visit www.lethlib.ca for more details on how the service will work. We expect it will be busy, so please be patient.