

June 24, 2024



FAREWELL FROM MRS. CROIL

Hello ICES Families,

I wanted to extend a huge thank you to the Immanuel Chrisitan Elementary School community for an incredible four years serving as vice-principal and learning support teacher. It has been a privilege to work alongside such a dedicated staff, engaged parent community, supportive Society board and inspiring students who have made this journey truly fulfilling. ICES has become such an important part of my family's life, and we are so grateful for God calling us to this place. I wish you all an amazing summer filled with laughter, adventures and creation enjoying.

Thank you for your outpourings of love, and support.

HELLO FROM MRS. LOVERIDGE

Hello Immanuel Christian Elementary School families!

I am absolutely thrilled to be serving this community of learning and faith as your Vice Principal! My husband Lee and I moved to Lethbridge 6.5 years ago when he was invited to serve the congregation of Immanuel Lutheran Church as Pastor. We packed up our lives in the Okanagan and returned to Alberta where I was born and raised. Lee and I have 2 daughters. Our eldest daughter, Jesse, is a nurse in Kamloops BC and our youngest daughter, Emma, is here in Lethbridge with her husband Paul and is returning to her studies to earn a Masters of Counseling. Our life in ministry has taken us from Guatemala to Thunder Bay Ontario, out to Kelowna BC and now back to Alberta. We are certainly a family that has seen change in our life time, but we have always tried to listen and follow the path that God sets before us.

My time here in Lethbridge has been filled with many changes as I had to really start over in my professional life when we left BC. We knew that God would work things out in His time! As I reflect on my last 6 year with Lethbridge school division, I can clearly see that God has certainly held me in His hands and has guided me on my journey. I have appreciated every opportunity to serve in 4 different schools, and now, I find myself with this amazing opportunity to serve at ICES! Being able to share the love of Christ with this community is something I know I will treasure. I continue to hear that I have landed in a very special place and that there is a strong history of ICES being a light in our community. I really do feel very honoured and thankful for this opportunity!

I am looking forward to getting to know your children and all the families. It will take me a while to learn names and build connections so please be patient with me! I am very excited to partner with you as we raise up children of faith who will know who they are in Christ.

I pray that you all have a wonderful and restful summer! See you soon!

2024-25 SCHOOL START UP

For students in Grades 1 – 3, families with **N – Z** surnames will begin on **Tuesday, September 3** while families with **A – M** surnames will begin on **Wednesday, September 4.** Our Grade 4 and 5 students will attend both days.

During the last week of August, families will receive an email from the homeroom teachers welcoming their child to the teacher's class. Families will then have opportunity to visit the classrooms and meet the teachers on the mornings of **September 3 and 4, from 8:30 – 10:00.**

Our Opening Chapel will be at 9:00 on Thursday, September 5 when everyone is at school!

THIS WEEK

June 24 – Yes Day (afternoon) – lead by Gr. 5

June 25 – Year-End Picnic for Grade 1 – 5 students and staff – Raymond Aquatic Centre

June 26 – Final day for students Dismissal @ 12:00 Year-End Chapel @ 10:30

On behalf of the ICES staff, may each of you have an amazing summer. For our families who are moving or not returning to our school, we pray for God's best in your new contexts. For our returning families, we pray you will enjoy your time with family and look forward to seeing you in September! May the Lord bless you and keep you in His loving care.

