

# ICES Weekly Update October 14, 2024



## SUPPLIES SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you for your participation in the Supplies Survey. We value your input as well as that of the ICES teaching staff. There was overwhelming support for continuing the program along with valuable suggestions as to how to improve this.

We appreciate your feedback regarding the benefits and drawbacks. Therefore, we are taking your suggestions to make changes to improve the program moving forward. Given that communication was a concern, we will also be providing updates as information becomes available to keep everyone better informed.

Thank you for your continued support! Our hope is to make this worthwhile for everyone.

#### THEME CHAPEL POSTPONED

Due to our rotation with the gymnastics equipment and the challenge it is to set up and take down, we are postponing our October chapel. Our next theme chapel will be on November 20. Thank you for your understanding.

#### BACON! BACON! BACON!

The website opened on October 8 for orders and will close on October 24<sup>th</sup>. Here is the link for ordering: <u>ICES Bacon Orders</u>

This link is also posted on the school website's *Home* page. Orders will delivered on November 5.

## FAMILY HERITAGE SURVEY

This year we are planning on having an exciting new Christmas Heritage Celebration at ICES! We are eager to share all the different Christmas traditions of the families that make up our school. It is always amazing to see the different ways groups and cultures celebrate the birth of our Saviour.

As a part of this celebration, we would like to gather some information about the families in our community. We have created a survey to find out where the families that make up our school are from, the languages spoken, the names we refer to our family members with as well as all the different ways we all celebrate Christmas.

Please fill in as much of the survey as you would like, none of the questions are mandatory so if a question does not apply to you or you do not want to fill it in, feel free to skip that question. All surveys are anonymous, and we are only using the information to get a broad view picture of the mosaic of cultures that make up our school. Survey link: <u>Christmas Heritage Survey</u>

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## **OCTOBER LEARNER CONFERENCES**

On October 22 (after school and evening) and 23 (morning), parents and guardians will have opportunity to schedule 15-minute meetings with the teacher(s) of their child(ren). Unlike Report Card conferences which focus on the report cards and academic growth, in these meetings emphasis is placed on who the child is as a learner from the perspectives of the teacher and the parent. In November, the Report Card will serve as a snapshot of where your child is at academically.

These October meetings will be instead of Report Conferences in November. Although there will not be any formal Report Card Conferences, if parents have questions around the report cards, they may reach out to their child(ren)'s teacher(s). Appointments will be booked through Conference Manager.

Conference Manager opened on October 4 and close on October 18. \*Please see the attached information.

#### **THIS WEEK**

Oct 14 – Thanksgiving – no school

Oct 16 – Early dismissal

Oct 18 – Taco-in-a-Bag, School Colours Day

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Oct 22 (after school/evening) -Learner Conferences Oct 23 (morning) – Learner Conferences Oct 24 – Bacon orders close November milk orders close Oct 23, 24, 25 - No School (PCCE Teachers Convention) Oct 28 – Picture Retakes & KA **Oct 30** – Dress Like a Teacher Day **Nov 1** – Hotdog Day Nov 8 – Remembrance Day Chapel – Gr. 5 leading @ 12:30 **Nov 11** – Remembrance Day – no school Nov 12 – Division PL Day – no school

#### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Thank you for your support for the Grade One's Feed the Hungry project. In addition to collecting the non-perishable items, they also delivered these to the Interfaith Food Bank, had a tour of the facility and learned of the impact this has on our greater community.

Upcoming community partnerships:

November – Shop of Wonders (My City Care)

**December** – Compassion Canada

February – Personal Hygiene (My City Care)

**March** – Food Drive for Interfaith Food Bank

April/May – Edu Deo (Spring Program & Spring Coin Carnival)

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