OLDS KOINONIA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



Calendar At a Glance

April

5-6—Gr. 10 First Aid course

9-13—Spiritual Emphasis Week Gr. 7-12

15-22—Spring Break

May

2—Grandparents/ Seniors Spring Tea

4—No School

8-LA 6 & 9 PAT

14—Grad Meeting7 pm

17—May Scripture Memory complete

18—No school for students

21—Victoria Day No School



OKCS Newsletter

April 5, 2018

IMPORTANT CHANGES RE: FIELD TRIP FORMS

Dear Parents:

RE: ON LINE FIELD TRIP FORMS

Chinook's Edge has listened to parents about the quantity of paperwork that is required to complete when their child(ren) are going on a field trip. The Division is in the process of implementing an online form for field trips. OKCS is beginning this process over the next couple of months for most field trips.

What this means for parents – parents will receive a customized email with the details of the field trip included in the email. A link will be included that will give parents access to an online form and payment option (if a fee is required). Parents will be required to complete the medications, allergies, dietary restrictions and medical conditions sections on the form. Most of these sections are yes or no buttons. There is a Parent or Guardian Consent to agree too along with a Medication Administration and Release to consent to. The Acknowledgement of Risk and Informed Consent is outlined for parents. Once the information has been completed, the parent submits the form and then a link to the Online Fee payment system will be provided.

Forms Auto Complete – after the first time parents complete the student portion of the form, on the next field trip, the form will auto complete the information. Parents will still have to complete the medications portion of each form as this may have changed since the last trip.

Lost or deleted field trip consent emails – if the email parents received is accidently deleted, parents can contact the school office and a copy can be forwarded to them.

No home internet access – if internet access is an issue, the school can provide parents with a paper copy of the forms. The school will scan in the completed form when it is returned. If a payment is required, cheque or cash are also accepted.

How does the teacher or school know when parents complete the field trip forms – the teacher and school can run a report with the trip details.

I am not getting emails for field trips – please ensure that the school has your current email address.

This online form is designed for parents to complete the process in a timely manner and not have to hand write several sets of forms throughout the school year.

If parents have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office at 403-556-4038.

Thank you for your participation in this process.



"Grandparents & Seniors **Annual OKCS** Spring Tea... May 2 at 1:00 pm."



OKCS Society Meeting



We would like to inform Society members of the approaching OKCS Society meeting to be held on Thursday, May 24. 2018 at 6:30 pm in the HS Chapel. We encourage all members to attend. If you would like to become a member of the OKCS Society, please contact the office.

Thank you.



Royals' Volleyball Clinics



Gr. 9 - 12: May 15 - 17 3:30 - 5:30pm Gr. 6 - 8: May 22 - 24 3:30 - 5:00pm Gr. 4 - 6: May 29 - 31 3:30 - 4:30pm

___Skill Development, Drills & Games

Please sign up at the office



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Gr. 6 JR. ATB Branch taking deposits..

STUDENT BANK AGGOUNTS

OKCS Jr. ATB April Deposit Dates

The OKCS branch accepts deposits every other Tuesday at noon in the Home Ec. room.

April Dates: 10 & 24





In February, The Grade 3 class sold stuffed elephants made by the Dalit women in India. OKCS raised \$1200 that went to the Dalit Freedom Network to assist these women who are marginalized and often treated as less than human. This organization works hard to empower these people and share with them that they are valued and dearly loved by God.

OKCS also wanted to share the love this February as we donated to our local food bank. 245 kg or 540 lbs was donated by students and their families. Thank you.



Skate-a-thon/Walk-a-thon



Pledge Money Collection:

If your child has not already collected and turned in his/ her Skate-a-thon/Walk-a-thon pledge money and envelope, please do so as soon as possible. We would like all of the pledge money in before **Spring Break**.

A great big THANK YOU to everybody who helped out with the Skate/Walk-a-thon in any way. We couldn't have done it without you!!



Royals Sports News

With Royals basketball finished now and badminton underway here is a look at some recent highlights:

Sr. Boys and Girls basketball teams experienced great seasons in 2017/2018 – Sr. Girls won the CESAA league championships by defeating Didsbury High in the finals. The girls then went on to win a back to back Zone banner by defeating Bassano in the finals. They finished off their season by competing in 1A Provincials for the second year in a row hosted in Lacombe where they finished 7th.

Sr. Boys had a season of a lifetime where they also won back to back Zones defeating Rosemary on home court in the finals. The Sr. Boys went to 1A Provincials, hosted in Lacombe, where they went in ranked No. 1 in the Province. The boys did not disappoint as they went on to defeat Breton. Central Alberta Christian and then Rosemary in the finals to win Provincials. This is only the second time in school history that OKCS Sr. Boys Basketball



have won Provincials. The first time since 1996!

Jr. A Boys had another great season as well. They won the CESAA league finals defeating Olds. They hosted 1J Zones where they lost to Trochu by 5 in the finals and came home with the silver medal.

Jr. A Girls had a great season as well. They defeated Cremona in the CESAA league finals and then went on to 1J Zones in Airdrie. There they ended up losing to Cremona in the Zone final and won silver. Our Jr. A Girls have now medaled in basketball Zones six years in a row. Great job to both our Jr. A teams

Congratulations to our two middle school girls and boys teams for their great seasons. It included a girls tournament championship at Three Hills and a boys tournament championship at Deer Meadow. All four teams also won many of their league games throughout the season. They had a blast competing and growing as players this past year.

I'd like to thank all our basketball coaches this past season for their time, dedication and love for basketball and OKCS youth. Much thanks to Heather Genesis, Kim Rieberger, Schaane Cameron, Dalene Ruppel, Danielle Sayer, Mrs. Hougestol, Katherine Strohschein, Josh Baquie, Byron Sayer, Reuben Johnson, Mrs. Sewell, Donna Reed, Bud Reed, Ken Taks and Chris Schulz.



Royals badminton is now well under way and some of our Jr. and Sr. High players will be competing this weekend in Innisfail. Sr. High players will compete next weekend (Apr. 14th) at the annual Lethbridge Invitational. This is one of the largest Sr. High tournaments in the Province.

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Strong Leadership sets students and staff up for Success

It is abundantly clear that people in each of our Chinook's Edge school communities are sharing their leadership skills to open doors for others. We see countless examples of individuals – both staff and students - sharing their time and influence to bring forward priorities from their schools, and then working together toward meaningful improvement. We work to ensure effective leadership structures and opportunities for everyone in our school division, because we know this priority creates success in our schools.

In Chinook's Edge, we believe in developing leadership potential at every level, particularly with respect to our students. I frequently hear about the challenging leadership roles our students are prepared to tackle, and about the enormous impact they have on those around them. Such as our Grade 11 student at Delburne Centralized School, whose design was selected as the official logo for this year's Orange Shirt Campaign. Or our group of science students at Sundre High who have invested thousands of hours in an extracurricular project that is studying the impact of PCBs on polar bear bones. Or the students in Didsbury High's leadership program who are assisting seniors in creating both beautiful art and helpful connections. Whether they are undertaking long-term volunteer commitments or providing smaller acts of kindness, we are proud of our student leaders and their many accomplishments.

National Volunteer Week takes place on April 15-21. This year's theme, 'Celebrate the Value of Volunteering', is reflected all year long in each of our schools. Thank you to everyone in our school communities, for supporting the great leadership and volunteer activities that are so key to our Chinook's Edge culture.

Kurt Sacher Superintendent

OKCS Society Membership

Many families are unaware that Olds Koinonia Christian School has a Society and that there is opportunity to become members of that Society. While membership in the society is not required for the enrolment of your children, there are other reasons you may wish to consider regarding Society Membership.

Membership in the OKCS Society puts you on record as one who is firmly behind the philosophy which drives our school.

Membership gives you a vote on some of the most important decisions that are made in our school. These decisions are made at the annual Society meeting and may include:

- Changes to Society by-laws which are fundamental to the way OKCS is governed.
- Changes to the OKCS statement of Faith.
- Approval of financial statements from the previous school year.
- Acceptance of the current year's budget.
- Election of Board members
- New building projects

There are many reasons to consider Society membership. Over the years, membership has dropped significantly and we would like to encourage existing and new families to consider applying for membership in the Olds Koinonia Christian School Society.

If you are interested please contact the office and ask for a copy of the Society by-laws to be sent home. With the by

-laws you will find an application form. If you would like to make application, please do so and return the completed application to the office. The Board will process the application at the next meeting and you will be notified regarding your acceptance after the next OKCS Board meeting.

The Annual Society Meeting for OKCS is held each year in April or May.

Current Board Members:
Greg Stirling—Chairperson
Rod Neufeld—Vice-Chair
Sarah Paulsen—Treasurer
Erin Shantz—Secretary
Kurtis Person—Director
Jill Kornelsen—Director
Michelle Rowe—Director
Dave Hooper—Director



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Hike for Hospice
Sunday May 6, 2018
Holy Trinity Catholic Sc

Holy Trinity Catholic School 6610 – 57 Street, Olds, Alberta

Registration 8:45 am

Welcome Ceremonies: 9:30 am

Start: 10:00 am Rain or Shine

Run, Walk, or Wheel along trails in Olds
1km or 5km

For information call Lori Rosehill <u>403-559-</u>7214

