



High Level Christian Academy

“WALK WORTHY”

“As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.”

Ephesians 4:1



June Memos

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello!

It was so nice to have students back in the classroom and in the school last week; I am so thankful for the many people who serve our province, who must make the tough decisions. I am especially thankful for our Education Minister, Adriana LaGrange. Operating a private Christian school with her as the Education Minister is a blessing; she has been extremely receptive of feedback from not only AISCA (Association of Independent Schools and Colleges in Alberta), but also from Koinonia. This has led to open communication lines, regular meetings, and actual changes to some of the red tape we have faced in the last few years. This is extremely different from the experience we had under the NDP government and the past Education Minister, David Eggen. Considering the recent outcry and rejection of Minister LaGrange by the ATA, it is important to share with you, our school community, the positive and effective relationship AISCA and Koinonia has had with Minister LaGrange throughout her term in office. I am very thankful for her and ask that you would join me in praying for her.

The month of May flew by with none of the events we had hoped to have occurring due to increases in government restrictions. We had various staff on isolation throughout the month due to exposures and I spent more time in my principal's office than I did in my classroom. I hope that the opposite will be true for the month of June. We are moving ahead with plans for June, hoping that restrictions will lift enough for us to have our end of year festivities. We will have our AGM on June 9th, starting at 7pm; Alberta Education extended our 2021-2022 Budget due date, so we postponed our meeting in hopes that we can gather in person and not via technology. Kindergarten grad is tentatively booked for Wednesday, June 16th; we are asking that only Kindergarten families attend to help with numbers and planning for Ms. Ahn. We have booked High Level Evangelical Church for our Grade 9 graduation and awards night on June 18th. We are desperately hoping that we can gather inside as a large group, but if we cannot, we will have a back-up plan, happening at the same time and place.

This past school year has been a roller coaster with many ups and downs, twists and turns. From the various isolations and increased restrictions to the cancelling of our spring production, to the successful pie auction, to our online academic fair, we have had to think creatively and outside of the norm to have this school year. We are so thankful for God's goodness towards us and His hand of protection over the school. We had an easier year than many schools across Canada and I am so thankful that we can trust in His goodness and faithfulness to us in all circumstances.

As we look to the end of this school year, I know many of us are already looking ahead to the next school year. I am so happy to announce that all our staff will be serving the Lord at HLCA again next year, with one new/old addition. Mrs. Bartlett will be back on staff with us in the fall! Ms. Ahn will be teaching Kindergarten and Grade 1; Mrs. Bartlett will be teaching Grades 2-4 and Ms. Jeffrey will be teaching Grades 5-9. Mrs. Brock,

Ms. Dyck, and Mrs. Thiessen will continue to keep our school clean and operating smoothly. Finally, I (Ms. Jeffrey) will continue as Principal.

Have a blessed June!
Ms. Jeffrey

CLASSROOM REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECS – GRADE 2

Thank you for your time and support in helping students with the distance learning plans. I really appreciate it.

I have an important announcement! We have a kindergarten graduation ceremony scheduled to be on Wednesday, June 16th at 6pm. It will be in the basement of the High Level Evangelical Church. Please RSVP your number of guests so we can prepare for the event accordingly.

We will have a K-2 class party on Tuesday, June 15th. We are going to have a color run. We will be running outside and students will be showered with colored cornstarch. Please dress your child in white clothing so the colors can be seen more visibly on their clothes.

We have finished the last bible memory verse. On June 4th, kindergarteners will be getting tested for the last verse. To challenge for the Master Memory Award for the Year-End Awards Ceremony, get a jump start on practicing all the bible verses from the beginning of the year! That will be a challenge for sure!

ECS

Students are reading level C guided reading books during class time and have made some progress. Students will be tested for Gates-McGinitie Reading Tests in early June. The purpose of the test is to determine the child's readiness for Grade 1. The results of the tests will be on their report cards.

Grade 1-2

LA: We will be finishing up our Procedural Writing unit. Students are also learning typing. They have their logins posted on the inside of their agendas. Students can continue to practice at home or even during the summer.

Math (Grade 1): We are learning about 3D shapes and symmetry.

Math (Grade 2): Students are learning about the Probability & Data Analysis unit. Students are learning about how to read and create graphs of various forms: pictographs, bar graphs and line plots.

Science: We are learning about various small and crawling animals. We will be learning more about earthworms and bees in June.

Social: We are learning about Our Community: Past and Present. We recently had a guest speaker from Fort Vermilion Heritage Centre speak to the class about the history of Fort Vermilion and Buttertown. The presentation was on Zoom. Please ask your child about what he/she has learned.

GRADES 3 – 6

LA – We will spend the month of June completing our novels for reading groups, doing reading assessments, writing letters, LA centers, and doing typing practice.

Math – each grade is wrapping up their final units. After we finish the curriculum, we will go back and do review and assess for the Math Merit award.

Science – We are wrapping up our Wetland Ecosystem unit and will spend time outdoors exploring some of High Level's natural wetland areas.

Social Studies – We have completed our textbook and curriculum for the year; we will be spending the weeks in June, reviewing Unit 2 concepts, and then doing our final project, Plan a Trip across Canada.

Bible - We will complete our curriculum this week and will then focus our time on reviewing our memory verses for Master Memory.

GRADES 7 - 9

Bible: We are currently finishing the last unit of the curriculum which is a review of the year. The Bible Final exam will be on Thursday, June 10th.

Social Studies: We are currently working to complete our curriculum; our final chapters focus on Canada in the 20th Century. The Social Studies final exam will be on June 14th. The study guide is already posted and students received their last notes, today.

Grade 7

JUNE 2: Congruency & Constructing Unit Test (math)

JUNE 4: Plants for Food & Fibre Unit test (science), A Father's Promise Unit Test (LA)

JUNE 10: Bible Final

JUNE 11: Math final, Science final, LA final project due (No LA final exam)

JUNE 14: Social Final Exam

Grade 8

JUNE 4: Bronze Bow Unit Test (LA), Tessellations & 3D Structures Unit Test (math)

JUNE 7: Science Final

JUNE 10: Bible Final

JUNE 11: LA Final Exam, Math Final Exam

JUNE 14: Social Final Exam

Grade 9

MAY 31: Animal Farm Unit Test

JUNE 4: LA Keyhole Essay due, Probability & Data Management Unit Test (Math)

JUNE 7: Science Final

JUNE 10: Bible Final

JUNE 11: LA Final Exam, Math Final Exam

JUNE 14: Social Final Exam

GENERAL INFORMATION:

ALLERGIES/MEDICAL

Please let us know if any of your children have any allergies or medical concerns, we need to know about so we can best accommodate them.

HOT LUNCHES

There will be no hot lunches offered for June.

ATTACHMENTS

1. June Calendar

CUTLERY/UTENSILS

The school WILL NOT be providing any cutlery to students except for hot lunch. The students MUST bring their own. We suggest they always have a set in their backpacks or lunch kits.

WATER

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we have shut off our water fountain and are using a water cooler stationed in the hallway for students to be able to fill up their water bottles. Students must bring their own water bottles. The water is tap water and is not filtered.

VISITOR SIGN-IN

Please report at the office before proceeding to any classroom. Scan the COVID-19 health check posted on the entrance door before entering the building.

STUDENT PICKUP

The afternoon dismissal time is 3:20pm. There is no bus service for any HLCA students this year, therefore all students must either walk home or be picked up by a parent or guardian. If someone other than the parent or guardian is picking up a student, the school must be notified prior to dismissal time.

STUDENT SIGN-IN

Please stop by the office to sign your child "in" if you are dropping them off after 8:50am or "out" if you are picking them up throughout the day before 3:20pm. This will assist us in knowing which children are on site.

NEWSLETTERS – MEMOS

Each last Monday of the month the **youngest child** in the family will bring home the Memos with attachments for the coming month. Please take time to read the

newsletter to keep yourselves informed of the upcoming expectations and activities.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Please check out our website @ www.hlccademy.ca for upcoming events and homework. HLCA has a Facebook group. Its purpose is to be an additional source of information for parents, supporters and alumni to keep up to date on current events at HLCA. It is a supplement to our school newsletter. If you wish to have something posted, (information, encouragement, praise/prayer) please contact the school. Essentially, it is like an electronic billboard. Questions, comments, and concerns need to come to the school by way of phone, text, email or in person. Questions related to your child's class are best communicated by phone, text, email, or a note in your child's agenda.

(HLCES) UPDATE FROM THE BOARD:

- **Bottle Drive** (tentative) online, on Saturday, **June 12th**, 10am-12pm. Watch for a note coming home this week with more details.
- Updated amount for the pie fundraiser is \$25,600.00. **PTL!**
- **AGM** on June 9th at 7pm
- The fundraising total for the year is \$33,004.

FUNDSCRIP

The High Level Christian Academy is enrolled in a fundraising program called **FundScrip**. This is a program where supporters use *gift cards* to pay for things that they are going to buy anyway, such as grocery, gas, restaurant, and household item expenses. By simply changing your method of payment for everyday spending, the school will receive a percentage of the sales. We encourage families to take advantage of this fundraising opportunity to help HLCA raise funds for operation. The cards are available at the office and are payable by cash, debit, credit, and e-transfer. Please call the office if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 3: Jump Rope for Heart 2:15pm

June 9: AGM @7pm Location to be announced.

June 12: Bottle Drive (tentative) 10am-12pm

June 16: ECS Grad @6pm at the Evangelical Free church

June 17: Last Day of School ½ day, students will need to be picked up at 12 noon.

June 18: Students Awards/Grade 9 Grad
@6:30pm at the Evangelical Free Church.

*Have a blessed
summer and hope to
see you back in
September!*