

## — Weekly — Newsletter

As we enter into this fall season and approach Thanksgiving, I am reminded of God's goodness and faithfulness in providing all that we need, when we need it. Developing and maintaining an attitude of gratitude in this season of life has proven to be challenging, hasn't it? We read in 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-28 to: "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus", and yet we make choices with our attitude and behaviour that question the goodness of God. God knows our human condition too well.

**STAY CONNECTED**  
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September has flown by at Immanuel. We have asked a lot of our staff and students and I am proud to witness the resiliency and positivity with which they have faced the start of the year. We have much to be thankful for at Immanuel: a professional and caring staff, great students, a supportive parent community, resources and funding that allow us to operate, and most importantly, the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. God is with us and He will sustain us in this year with joy and gratitude.

We had a practice fire drill the other day, and as a middle school P.E. class was outside playing softball, the high school classes that organized across the road took time to cheer on the batters, much to the secret delight of the middle schoolers. It was a scene of joy at it's finest and reminded me of what community can and should look like. A scene that is an echo of what eternity will be for those that follow Christ, one of unending gratitude, joy and praise.

I pray that you all enjoy a joy filled and safe Thanksgiving season.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bekkering



**Matthew Bekkering**  
Principal  
Immanuel Christian Secondary School



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### Important Dates/Calendar

**Monday, October 5 – Friday, October 9:** Thanksgiving "Cram the Case" Food Drive

**Wednesday, October 7:** Grade 12 Apple Orders Due

**Thursday, October 8:** Thanksgiving Chapel (Uploaded to School Website under "About")

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the 2020-2021 ICSS School Calendar

**OUTSTANDING  
2019/2020**

**ATHLETICS/  
PROGRAM/  
CLUB FEES**

**DUE NOW**

 SchoolCashOnline



Lethbridge School Division

In order for Immanuel to maintain the quality of our co-curricular programs, we rely on families to promptly pay their athletics/program/club fees. We have vendors and invoices to pay that are dependent on student fees.

All outstanding 2019/2020 fee amounts can be found in the letters recently sent to your home or by accessing your SchoolCashOnline account.

Should you need help accessing SchoolCashOnline or arranging for an alternate form of payment, contact Mrs.Kranzler at the Front Office: 403-328-4783

Should fees not be paid promptly, future access to school programs, including graduation, may be withheld.

Thank-you for your support of our programs.

*Deep Hope*

"UNITY IN  
CHRIST"

*Colossians 1:17*

"IN HIM ALL THINGS HOLD TOGETHER"

Weekly Chapel videos can be found on our school website by following this link:

<https://icss.lethsd.ab.ca/about/chapel-deep-hope-2020-21>

Website → About → Chapels & Deep Hope 2020-21

**PLEASE RETURN  
ALL SCHOOL MATERIALS  
FROM HOME**

- Class Textbooks
- Library Novels
- **Return to Learning Commons**
- Band Sheet Music
- Band Instruments
- **Return to Mrs.Heins**



ICSS Thanksgiving Challenge!



# CRAM THE CASE

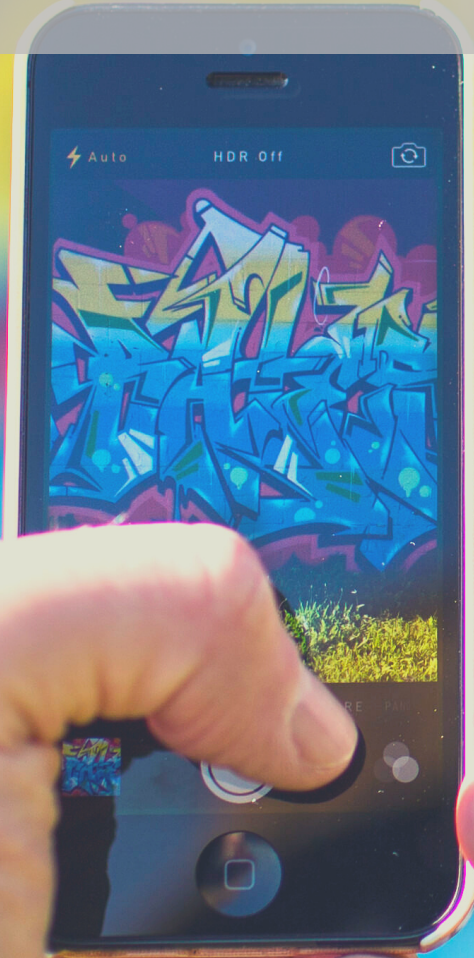
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**In the spirit of Thanksgiving, let's  
fill the front display case with  
donations to the Lethbridge  
Interfaith Food Bank!**

**Donations Due Friday, Oct. 9**

# ICSS CELL PHONE/ DEVICE POLICY

Classrooms at Immanuel are places of learning and cell phone/ device use is not permitted in classrooms, **unless permitted by the classroom teacher for learning purposes.** Consequences of unauthorized use of cell phones/devices are:



## FIRST OFFENCE

Phone/Device is confiscated for the remainder of school day and parents will be notified. **Student** can retrieve device at end of day from front office

## SECOND OFFENCE

Phone/Device is confiscated for the remainder of school day and parents will be notified. **Parent must** retrieve device from front office

## THIRD/SUBSEQUENT OFFENCE

Phone/Device is confiscated for the remainder of school day and parents will be notified. **Parent must** retrieve device from front office. **Plan for future device** use will be developed between student, parent and administration

# In-School Banking Days!

Immanuel Christian Secondary School	
Oct. 9	Mar. 5
Nov. 6	Apr. 16
Dec. 4	May 7
Jan. 8	June 4
Feb. 5	



 New School  
**youth**  
BANKING PROGRAM  
[www.christiancu.ca](http://www.christiancu.ca)

# In-School Banking Days!

## Instructions

- Deposits must be given in a sealed envelope with the student name on the front (First and Last Name)
- Deposits can be handed in to the Front Office on the dates provided
- Deposits will be picked up by a representative of the Christian Credit Union
- Requests to open new accounts can be made with Kari DeRaaf via email: [kderaaf@christiancu.ca](mailto:kderaaf@christiancu.ca)



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# THE LOOP

OCTOBER 2020



MHCBC Wellness Team



## Hello, Lethbridge School Division!

Welcome to the first edition of THE LOOP! Our school and community partners provide ongoing supports and services to our families. The purpose of this newsletter is to share what supports are available in our wonderful city! THE LOOP will provide you with snapshots of professional development opportunities, community partner updates, child and youth community activities and referral information.

We hope THE LOOP helps you to stay informed.

### Stay Connected!



#### SCHOOLGUIDE

Download the latest reminders, news, events and emergency alerts for your child's school.

#### Community LINKS

Your source of community, health, social and government services and programs in Southern Alberta.

### Virtual Professional Development

The **Connections Project** is a positive mental health initiative to support staff and students. In collaboration and under the leadership of Dr. Jody Carrington. The project has focused on building a common understanding around attachment theory, emotional regulation and relationship building.



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### Community Partner Support Highlights



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Boys & Girls Club  
of Lethbridge & District

[CLICK HERE](#)



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**Need  
Support?**

KidsHelpPhone.ca  
1 800 668 6868

Kids Help Phone

KIDS ACROSS CANADA CAN NOW TEXT

**686868**

AND BE CONNECTED TO TRAINED HELPERS

**Text4Hope  
393939**



The Lethbridge Public Library is excited to announce that they will be offering no fee library cards for the remainder of 2020.

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## Attention students in Grade 12...

Please be aware of the recent changes to the Lethbridge School Division's Counselling Model. Career Practitioners are no longer a part of high school counselling teams.

Please visit our Division's Career Services Page for updated information about.

- career planning and preparation
- scholarships (watch for deadlines)
- events
- University Virtual Open Houses and Tours
  - U of Calgary October 21, 2020 4:00-5:00



[CLICK HERE](#)

Career Services Page



Check out our growing website full of mental health resources and activities. for home and school.

<https://www.mhcb lethsd.com>

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Attention Teachers



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## Join Christina Harvey for a Free 30 minute 'Lunch and Learn' Registration Deadline: Monday September 29, 2020

FREE

FOR TEACHERS: Christina will take you through the 'Top 3 Resources' that Alberta Health Services personnel turn to when their support for assistance is requested. Christina Harvey, the session facilitator is all too familiar with the stressors our children are facing and is looking forward to spending this time with you. Follow the link to register.

THE EMBODIMENT CONFERENCE  
14th - 25th October 2020, Online

FREE

## Come home to your body.

Free access to world-class teachers, practical tools for times of turmoil, and a supportive global community



FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK - LAUNCH EVENT

PLEASE JOIN US & MEET SERVICE PROVIDERS WORKING TOGETHER TO OFFER INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE FAMILY SERVICES

THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 8  
2020

3-6 pm

Meet us at the Southern Alberta Ethnic Association for an afternoon filled with family fun, information, door prizes, and snacks!

SAVE THE DATE



Sign up for the Lethbridge Family Service News Letter to stay up to date on supports and groups.

For more information, contact  
LFS Counselling Intake:

[403-327-5724](tel:403-327-5724)

[CounsellingIntake@LFSFamily.ca](mailto:CounsellingIntake@LFSFamily.ca)

[CLICK HERE](#)



**PARENTS!**

## Want To Help Angel Tree?

Drop Off a New, Unwrapped Toy:

- Lethbridge Family Services (1107 2A Ave N)
- At any of our official Angel Tree drop-off locations (visit our website for all locations)

## Are You In Need of Angel Tree Services?

- Beginning Oct. 5, you can register on our website to receive a Christmas bundle for your child ([www.lfsfamily.ca](http://www.lfsfamily.ca))



**angel tree**  
CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

Lethbridge Family Services | Angel Tree Christmas Campaign