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*"Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old,
he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6"*

March 2011

Upcoming Dates to Remember

PSG Meeting

Wednesday, Mar. 2nd
7:00pm @ White Spot

Cross Country Skiing

Monday, Mar. 7th
Gr. 4-6

Shrove Tuesday

Tuesday, Mar. 8th

Term 2 Report Cards

Friday, Mar. 11th

No School in PM

Dismissal @ 11:45am
Tuesday, Mar. 15th

Parent/Teacher Interviews

1:30pm to 6:30pm
Tuesday, Mar. 15th

Spring Break

Mar. 21st-Apr. 1st

School Resumes

8:45am
Monday, April 4th

In April.....

- Canadian Test of Basic Skills
- Symphony
- Fun Run
- Easter

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SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

Concordia is Expanding to Offer Grades 7 and 8 for the 2011-2012 School Year!

Your **Re-enrollment Forms** were sent home in January. By completing and returning this form early, you help us to continue our future planning and ensure a spot for your child in the school. Fees for next year are as follows:

Registration Fee:	\$135 per student
Tuition Fees (K-8):	Eldest Child-\$225 per month Second Child-\$125 per month Third Child-\$50 per month
Activities Fee:	\$60 per student

Please note: There is a 50% reduction in September's tuition if your registration fee is paid before May 31st.

Concordia Lutheran School will be offering **Grade 7 and 8** in the upcoming school year. For more information about grades, fees, and class structure for the new school year, please feel free to speak to Mrs. Simard.

Shrove Tuesday

The day before Ash Wednesday (March 9th) is Shrove Tuesday. Traditional foods for Shrove Tuesday are rich and fatty, because this is the day people used up the foods that would not be allowed during Lent, which is the 40 days before Easter.

Shrove Tuesday is also a celebration before the seriousness and confession of Ash Wednesday. Students will be served a pancake at recess to mark this day.

If you would like more information on Ash Wednesday, Lent, or Easter, Pastor Vic is happy to speak to any of our school families!

T-Bone's Fundraiser

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the T-Bone's fundraiser this last month. Our efforts raised over \$120 for our tuition aid fund! Many thanks to Helen Sarvari for organizing and executing this fund raising endeavor.

Website

Our website contains a lot of information about upcoming events for the school and church. Please take some time and visit it at www.concordialive.ca.

Special
MISSION PROJECT



School Missions Update

Just after Spring Break, we will begin our last mission effort of the year: **Pennies for Bibles**. Everyone is invited to lighten up their pockets by donating pennies. We will be donating the collected money to the Canadian Bible Society's "Bibles for China" program.

Please pray with us that our projects help to show God's love, share what we've been given, and be ready to tell about Jesus!



Parent Teacher Interviews

Second term Parent-Teacher interviews will take place from 1:30-6:30pm on Tuesday, March 15th.

Please fill in the **Interview Time Request** form enclosed with your newsletter if you are interested and return it as soon as possible to your child's classroom teacher. We will make every effort to accommodate your schedules.

Why We Observe Lent

The most important belief of our Christian faith is that Jesus, God's only Son, died on the cross for our sins and rose again, triumphant over death, on Easter. To fully celebrate Christ's resurrection, we must prepare our hearts and minds by understanding what happened **before and after Easter**. Easter is not complete without Lent. Lent is the 40 days before Easter, begins on Ash Wednesday, and continues to Easter morning. Sundays are not counted in the 40 days because each Sunday is a "Little Easter."

March Book Orders

Please make cheques payable to each book club from which you are ordering. Please remember that cash orders cannot be placed unless otherwise arranged with your child's teacher.

This month's orders are due on **Thursday the 17th**.

Gymnastics

Thank you to those parents who helped as spotters and drivers. The students had a wonderful time and it was a great addition to the regular physical education program.

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*Grade K-1
Principal*

Ms. Amy Minge
Grade 4-6

Ms. Andrea Kreller
Grade 2-3

Mrs. Darlene Belanger
Music, Grade K-3

Mrs. Colleen Emshay
Mrs. Barb Schwabe
Pre-school

Mrs. Grace Forsberg
Administrative Assistant

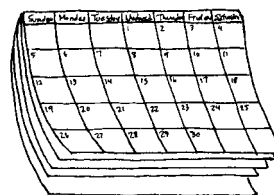
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*Director of Worship and
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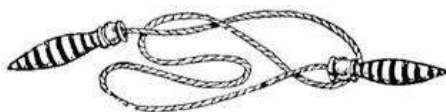
Silent Auction

Concordia Lutheran School's biggest fundraiser of the year is approaching. So mark your calendars for the evening of **Sunday, May 1st** @ 5:00pm to enjoy an **adult night out** for an appetizer buffet and silent auction. This year, the event will take place at the Riverside Room in the Day's Inn and will be catered by the Black Iron Grill.

As with most of our events, we do rely on your support to make things a success and reach our goal. Large fundraisers such as the Silent Auction help to keep tuition costs manageable, purchase student equipment, and maintain our yearly budget.

All donated items can be brought to the school office anytime. **The sooner the better!**

Tickets for the Silent Auction will be on sale **starting April 4th**. The cost is \$25 per person and includes an appetizer buffet. For more information about the Silent Auction, please speak with Mrs. Simard or Helen Sarvari.



Jump Rope News

We would like to thank all students who participated and collected pledges. Through your collective efforts, **we raised over \$830** toward research for the *Heart and Stroke Foundation!* A special thank you goes to Ms. Minge for organizing and planning the event.

Cross Country Skiing

The grade 4-6 students will be going on their last cross country ski trip on Monday Mar. 7th. They will be leaving the school in the morning and returning before 3:00 pm. Parents who volunteered to drive need to be at the school by 8:40am. **Some of the parents of the students in the class will be supplying lunch for all the students to celebrate this last ski session.** More information about the lunch will follow. Remember to dress in layers so you do not get overheated. Pack extra socks and mitts and come prepared for a fun workout!

Enclosures Checklist:

- March calendar of events
- Interview Time request form
- Stan and Fran's Health Hints for March
- Book order catalogues

Please let your child's classroom teacher know if you are missing any of these enclosures.

School Yearbook

Concordia Lutheran School is in the midst of planning and organizing it's first ever YEARBOOK! At this time, we anticipate the cost of the yearbooks to be between \$10 and \$15. If you are interested in reserving a copy of the yearbook in advance, please speak with Helen Sarvari or Mrs. Simard.

Thank you,
The Concordia Yearbook Committee

PSG Meeting

Please join us for the next PSG meeting on **Wed. March 2nd** at **7:00pm** at **White Spot Restaurant.**



Birthday Party Invitations

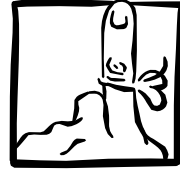
Invitations

When inviting your child's classmates to birthday parties or other events outside of school, we ask that you please do not hand out the invitations at school.

If you have any questions about this policy, please talk to Mrs. Simard. Thank you for your understanding.



A Few Reminders



Monthly Newsletters

Each month, Concordia sends home its Parent Newsletter with the oldest child in the family. Please **sign the newsletter** envelope and have your child bring it back to the school as soon as possible.

After School Pick-up

When picking up your children, please park your car in the lot and walk into the school to meet them. We ask that you **do not park your car near the entrance** in order to keep our parking lot as safe as possible.

Indoor/Outdoor Shoes

All students **must have two pairs** of shoes. One pair for outside use, and one pair with non marking soles for indoor/gym use. To help keep the gym as clean as possible, students need to remove their outdoor shoes before entering the gym.

Dress Code

The following items **must not** be worn to school:

- Clothing with messages and slogans that do not support Christian beliefs
- Clothing with noticeable tears and rips
- Shirts which show the midriff, even with the arms raised

Students dress needs to express a positive, Christian attitude and a readiness for learning. If you are uncertain about an article of clothing, please ask your child's classroom teacher or Mrs. Simard.

Trading Cards/Electronics

No trading cards, electronic toys or devices are permissible at the school, unless prior arrangements have been made with the classroom teacher. These items may be confiscated and returned at the end of the day.