



inside look

SEPTEMBER 2022

From the Principal's Desk

We are off to a great start this year. The weather has been beautiful, the facilities are wonderful, the staff are great, and the smiles and laughter of students make everything fit together perfectly. It has been a true blessing to begin a school year with less restrictions and protocols. To hear our school sing together again in chapel has been a real joy.

This year we are focusing on the "Fruit of the Spirit" in our chapels. The fruit for September was LOVE. Recently, I was looking for devotions about love to share with staff, and I was disappointed in how superficial and sappy many of those devotions were. Then I realized that I didn't need to look any further than the hallways, classrooms, and playgrounds of ACS.

As Christians, God promises that we already have the Fruit of the Spirit, and that He will help that fruit grow. As I interacted with our students and staff, it was evident that the Fruit of Love is alive and well, and growing daily. I could list many examples, but there is one that sticks out in my mind, which really exemplifies for me that LOVE is evident at ACS.

At our recent ice cream social, several older boys were playing basketball in the gym. It was a rough and tumble, quick game and not for the faint of heart. However, a young preschooler wandered in and wanted to join their game. I feared for the safety of that preschooler, expecting her to get trampled, and I was about to intervene. But the game stopped, and the older boys made it their goal to not only include her, but to ensure that she made a basket. They put her needs above their own, and never went back to their own game.

That was the best devotional I "read" all week. Those boys took Romans 12:10 and put it into action:

"Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor."

It is a blessing to watch God move as the Fruit of Love grows in our school!



An **inside**look ... into our Kindergarten classroom

**“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.”
- Psalm 19:1**

As we go outside to explore and make discoveries each day, it is amazing to see the beauty and intricacy of the Creator’s hand at work!

Here are some examples of the wonders that we have observed so far in Kindergarten:



A shark’s tooth? A spider’s fang? Or a wild rose thorn?



A rocket ship reflection from the sunshine...



An apple “marshmallow” to roast and so much more to explore!



Dissecting dogwood seeds to reveal their skin, flesh and protective seed coat covering the embryo.



With gratitude,
From Mrs. Victor and the Kindergarten crew.

An **inside**look ... our students' perspective ...



"The best part is going on the bus because when you look out the window everything looks cool!"

- Willem

K/1



"The best part about being back at school is that I can play with my friends, and climb on the park."

- Avery

2/3

"The best part is learning about science, and that I'm in Grade One so I can push the merry-go-round now."

- Tobias



"The best part about being back at school is meeting my friends and seeing my teachers again. I missed them."

- Wade



Question of the Month

My favourite part of being back at school is ...



"The best part about being back at school is seeing friends and meeting new people. It is also fun being at a new school. My favourite subject is music because I play the violin."

- Adele

4/5



"The best thing about being back at school is doing super fun exploratories!"

- Jessica

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"The best part about being back at school is seeing all of my peers. They are wonderful! It is fun learning about positions in soccer and being able to play with all my friends."

- Colby



"The best part about being at school is seeing all the teachers again, and seeing my friends and doing Math."

- Eva



An **inside**look ... some highlights ...

A Big Thank-you!

The Ice Cream Social/ Meet the Teacher evening was a fun event for our ACS families and staff.
Many thanks to the PAC for organizing it!

On Sept. 26, the Kindergarten to Grade 7 students went on a Buddy Field Trip to Syéxw Chó:leqw Adventure Park!



Tuesday Walking Group

We have had a few parents interested in a walking group so here it is! This isn't just for ACS families so please invite any parents in the community that would like to join.

The group will meet Tuesday mornings following school & preschool drop-off and walk the dyke loop (approx. 1 hour, flat terrain) starting and ending in our parking lot. No commitment is necessary. The group will leave ACS at 8:45 a.m. and strollers and bikes are welcome as well.



Important Dates to Remember

- October 10 - Thanksgiving (No School Preschool - Gr. 7)
- October 14 - Chapel
- October 21 - District-Wide Pro-D Day (No School Pre - Gr. 7)
- October 26 & 27 - Parent-Teacher Conferences (K-Gr. 7)
- October 28 - School Closed (Day in lieu of P-T conferences)
- November 4 - Chapel
- November 18 - Chapel



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