



DECEMBER 2025

## From the Principal's Desk

Christmas is almost here, and our school is filled with excitement! From sparkly decorations to special class activities, this season always brings extra smiles and warm hearts. But the best part of Christmas is remembering who God is and why Jesus came.

This year, we've been learning about some of the Names of God. One of them is *Emmanuel*, which means "God with us." It is one of my favourite names of God. At Christmas, we celebrate that God loved us so much that He came close—right into our world as a tiny baby. *Emmanuel* reminds us that God is with us in our classrooms, on the playground, in our homes and every place that we find ourselves.

Another name we've talked about this fall is *Jehovah Jireh*, which means, "The Lord Will Provide." We see this in our school community all the time. When families help each other, when staff encourage students, when someone shares kindness or gives generously—these are all reminders that God provides exactly what we need.

Christmas reminds us that God comes close—close enough to transform hearts, shape young lives, and strengthen our community. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, may we continue to Discover the truth of who Jesus is, Grow in reflecting His names and His character, and Thrive as a school that carries His light into the world. May the peace of Emmanuel be with you and your family this season.



# An **inside**look ... into Preschool



Preschool is off to an amazing start this year! Our classroom has been buzzing with energy, curiosity, and the sweet joy that comes from learning new things. These little ones bring wide-eyed wonder to every activity, and it's truly a delight to watch the world unfold through their perspectives.



Preschool is such an important time for building friendships, practicing social skills, exploring new situations, and learning how to handle all kinds of feelings. One of our favourite parts of the day is watching the children dream up imaginative ways to play and work together — every child brings something beautifully unique!



A typical day in our class is full of variety and excitement: circle time, learning about the months and days of the week, letter and number recognition, creative play, arts and crafts, fine motor activities, social time, and outdoor fun. Recently, we've been exploring the letters I and J. Our "J is for Jellyfish" craft was a huge hit! Watercolour painting has also become a crowd favourite.

Alongside letters, numbers, shapes, and colours, we spend time each month learning Bible stories that help us grow in faith. This fall, the children loved diving into the stories of Jonah and the Whale and Baby Moses. As we enter December, we are thrilled to begin exploring the Christmas story and learning more about our Saviour.

These Bible moments remind us all, little and big, that with God, nothing is impossible.





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This Fall we had the opportunity to tour the Agassiz Fire Hall with our 3's class, and the Paramedic station with our 4's class. Checking out the emergency vehicles up close and seeing the gear and tools our first responders use was very exciting for both classes. At the fire hall our class got to unroll a fire hose and try on firefighting gear, while our other class had a dance party in the ambulance playing with all the lights, and seeing what it's like to ride on a stretcher.



December also kicks off our exciting Bears unit! We've started learning about Black Bears, Grizzlies, and Polar Bears. So far, the children are especially fascinated by how different they all are. Throughout the month we'll discover what bears like to eat, where they live, and how they hibernate during winter.



It is such a joy and privilege to watch these amazing children discover, grow, and thrive. We are looking forward to a wonderful season ahead, filled with learning, laughter, friendship, and discovering more of the beautiful world God has created!



# An **inside**look into ... what's happening.

## The PAC (Parent Action Committee)

Join our "Agassiz Christian School Parents" Facebook group for reminders and calls for volunteers.

The next PAC meeting will be held Jan. 7 at 7:30 p.m. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend!

If you would like to help out at school throughout the year, please contact Sara Sterkenburg at 604-845-0063.



## SAVE THE DATE

JOIN US ON FEB. 12, 2026 AT 7 P.M.  
FOR A FREE PARENT WORKSHOP WITH ACCLAIMED  
AUTHOR AND SPEAKER: HANNAH BEACH

Whether you're a parent who's got it all together, or you are struggling, Hannah will give you practical strategies to support you in the parent role.

All parents are highly encouraged to attend this free event.  
(Or bring your whole home group from church!)

You won't want to miss this.



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## Important Dates to Remember

- December 17 - ACS Christmas Program at 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
- December 19 - Christmas-Theme Dress-Up Day
- December 19 - Last Day before Christmas Break
- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
- January 5 - School and Preschool Re-Open



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