



From the Principal's Desk



A New Year, New Spaces, and New Stories

There is something especially exciting about welcoming students back to school when you can say, "Come and see what's new!" Over the past year, our school has been busy creating new spaces for learning and working, and it was exciting to have these spaces ready for students and staff this September. From spaces designed for creating and exploring to areas that give us new opportunities to learn together, these additions are already bringing a new energy to our school.

Just as we have created new physical spaces for learning, this year we are creating space to discover something new through our school theme: The Parables of Jesus. Throughout the year, we will be exploring the stories Jesus told—stories about everyday things like seeds, lost sheep, neighbours, treasures, and even parties! Parables are simple stories, but they often make us stop, think, ask questions, and look at familiar things in a different way.

I'm looking forward to seeing where this theme takes us. I hope our students will not simply learn about the parables, but will find themselves noticing the meaning of the parables in their own lives and experiences.

With new spaces to explore and new stories to discover, we are ready for another year to Discover, Grow, and Thrive. I'm excited to see what this year will bring!

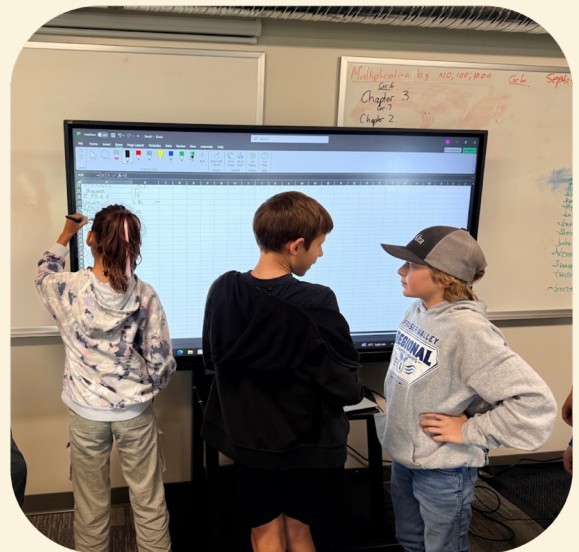


Discover God's Purpose
Grow in Character
Thrive in Academic Excellence



An **inside**look ... into New Spaces

Our hearts are full of gratitude for everyone who has helped make these new and updated spaces possible! We are not only thankful for the newly equipped portable classroom, but also renovations to our main building to create a dedicated Teacher prep room, Learning Assistance room, new Library flooring, a separate office for Mrs. Bruneski; and the Music / Flex room can be used for Music class again!



An **inside**look ... New Spaces

It's been exciting to see these new areas in action and full of students and staff during these first few weeks of school!



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 Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend!

For more information and to get involved please contact Sara Sterkenburg at 604-845-0063.

Intermediate Sports

October 8 - Co-Ed Soccer Tournament
(The King's School, Langley)

October 20 - Cross-Country Run
(Bear Creek Park, Surrey)

School App

The "My Agassiz Christian" app helps to keep students, parents, and staff connected, engaged, and on track. The app contains school news, calendars, class updates, and other school information such as important events and school closures, as well as bussing information. You can even choose between push notifications, text messages, and email for your most important updates.

To get started with the app:

- Search for "My Agassiz Christian" in the AppStore/Google Play Store.
- Contact the office for the access code.
- Subscribe to your child's class / groups.



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Important Dates to Remember

- September 29 - Orange Shirt Day
- September 30 - NO SCHOOL, Truth and Reconciliation Day
- October 7 - Individual Student Photos
- October 13 - NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Day
- October 23 - PRO-D, No school for students
- October 28, 29 - Parent-Teacher conferences
- October 30 - NO SCHOOL, Day in Lieu of P/T conferences
- November 6 - ACS Community Event (start of CARE Campaign)
- November 11 - NO SCHOOL, Remembrance Day
- November 12, 13 - NO SCHOOL, teacher conference
- November 24 - Fall Annual General Meeting



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