

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.  
Protect them as they protect us.  
Bless them and their families  
for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of  
need.  
I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.  
Amen.*

#### **A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL:**

#### **Dear Parents and Students:**

This month we are hosting in person Parent-Teacher Interviews for online parents and students on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. You can expect an email on the process for registering for appointments with your child's teachers. Please ensure to check the Announcement folder in FirstClass for further details. We are also hosting our Academic Awards Evening for the 2015-2016 school year the same evening starting at 7:15PM. Congratulations to all students who will receive an award.

Parents, many of you are aware that Alberta Education closed Wisdom Home Schooling. We are aware of the difficult situation this places parents and students in who were enrolled with Wisdom. The Centre for Learning@HOME is open to supporting students affected by this closure while at the same time we recognize this is an issue between Wisdom Homeschooling and Alberta Education.

On October 3, Alberta Education released its Standards for Reimbursements for Traditional Home-schooling. You can find a copy of these standards at <https://education.alberta.ca/media/3273000/standards-for-home-education-reimbursement.pdf>

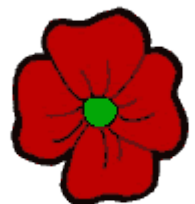
We are currently working to ensure all of our practices related to reimbursements for traditional home education comply with Alberta Education Standards.

Alberta Education has released Provincial Achievement Exams and Diploma Examination results for 2015-2016. Overall, The Centre for Learning@HOME is pleased with the results that clearly convey we remain very strong academically.

We ask that you keep all past and current men and women of our armed services in your thoughts and prayers this month!

**Mr. Paul Byrne**  
**Principal**

***"Leave Not One Heart Behind"***



# HIGHSCHOOL STUDENTS

## Counsellors' Corner, November 2016

If you are in grade twelve and need any assistance with post-secondary scholarships and applications or if you have any questions or would like to talk about your course choices throughout high school and into post-secondary, please e-mail or call Mrs. Craigen, Ms. Harnish, or Mr. Quilty.

### Official Transcripts from Alberta Education

To get an official transcript (they are no longer mailed out), you have to register with myPass.

<https://public.education.alberta.ca/PASI/myPass>

Once registered, a password is mailed to you and then you are able to use this pass-word to see information about your grades, and order your official transcript.

### Student Aid Alberta

Student Aid (loan information) is found at [www.studentaid.alberta.ca](http://www.studentaid.alberta.ca)

This website takes you through the different stages of applying for and getting student aid, and repaying your student loan.

## Scholarships

Check out these websites for scholarship and post-secondary information:

[www.alis.gov.ab.ca](http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca)

[www.aucc.ca](http://www.aucc.ca)

[www.studentawards.com](http://www.studentawards.com)

[www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)

[www.tradesecrets.alberta.ca](http://www.tradesecrets.alberta.ca)

[www.schoolfinder.com](http://www.schoolfinder.com)

[www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca)

### Alexander Rutherford Scholarship

Please visit the link below to read about this high school achievement scholarship.

<http://studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships/alberta-scholarships/rutherford-scholarship/>

Scholarship Deadline for November, 2016

TD CANADA TRUST SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP - DUE NOV 18, 2016

Application must be mailed in. Need a minimum 75% grade average and demonstrated community leadership.

<https://www.tdcanadatrust.com/products-services/banking/student-life/scholarship-for-community-leadership/index.jsp>

**\*\*POST SECONDARY OPEN HOUSE EVENTS HAVE STARTED\*\***

Check out the *Announcements* folder in FirstClass® for more information.

## GRAD NEWS

### GRADUATION-Friday, June 2, 2017

All Grad correspondence will start in February 2017. Newsletters will be posted in the Grad Folder, Announcements, emailed and mailed out to every grade 12 student who may be graduating in 2017.

You can graduate if you have done 12 years of schooling or are in Grade 12.

The Graduation Ceremony takes place at St. James Church, Okotoks and starts around 1.30pm (subject to change). However, students need to be at the church by 11am for rehearsals. After the ceremony, we go outside for the cap toss photo. Everyone leaves to get ready for the evening Graduation Banquet. You must attend the Ceremony to attend the Banquet. The Graduation Banquet is at the Foothills Centennial Centre, Okotoks and we have a Grand March of the



### THE CINDERELLA PROJECT

*The Cinderella Project helps female Grads if the family are having financial stress. They work with the Grad and get them a dress and other items for the evening banquet. If any of you would not come to Grad because you could not afford the clothes please let me know. I am a Fairy Godmother for this project so I can help out - wand and all!*

Contact Ms. Craigen at [rcraigen@redeemer.ab.ca](mailto:rcraigen@redeemer.ab.ca) for more information.



## FINANCE TEAM

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**Below please find some finance information which may be helpful :**

<b>Expense claim &amp; original itemized receipts must be received in CFL@HOME Okotoks office by:</b>	<b>Reimbursement Date:</b>
<b>October 07, 2016</b>	<b>October 31, 2016</b>
<b>November 10, 2017</b>	<b>November 30, 2017</b>
<b>February 3, 2017</b>	<b>February 28, 2017</b>
<b>June 12, 2017</b>	<b>June 30, 2017</b>

Reimbursement forms can be found on our website homepage at <http://centreforlearning.ca>.

Reimbursement is made by:

- Cheque or
- Direct deposit (void cheque and current email must be provided to our office)

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## READING TIPS

- Practice shared reading. Shared reading or reading as a collective experience could entail taking turns reading pages, sections or chapters, or you and your child silently reading the same book. Shared reading can vary depending on your child's age and needs.
- Shared reading is an often-overlooked and underappreciated technique for engaging reluctant readers. Most kids really want to spend time with their parents, but once children reach seven or eight years old, many parents don't view reading together as an option; they think that's reserved for preschool or early elementary school days.
- For the ideal shared reading experience, choose texts that are rich, engaging and sure to lead to discussion. Part of the "sharing" in shared reading involves talking about the book. Perhaps several of your child's friends and their parents can start a book club where texts read through shared reading are discussed in a welcoming environment. If book groups are not an option, find a reliable, child-safe website where your child can post a review of that book or encourage him or her to start a book review journal.
- Reluctant readers are often struggling readers, so creating safe, comfortable environments where fluent reading is modeled and where children are set up for success is key. Though there is definitely not an easy answer, with a little focus and direction, you can help give your child the reading boost he needs. It's not magic, but every little step helps.

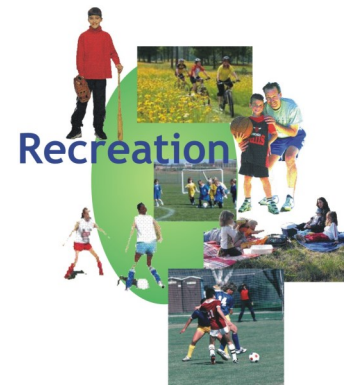
**THANKS TO THE STUDENTS FOR SENDNG IN THEIR READING MINUTES SO FAR. A REMINDER THAT GRADES 4-12 REQUIRE 500 READING MINUTES PER MONTH .....GRADES 1-3 REQUIRE 300 MINUTES PER MONTH. YOUR MINUTES ARE DUE THE LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH. ONCE YOU HAVE SUBMITTED YOUR MONTHLY MINUTES TO US...YOU WILL BE ENTERED IN A DRAW TO WIN A \$25.00 CHAPTERS/INDIGO GIFT CARD. GOOD LUCK AND GOOD READING TO EVERYONE !!!!**



# STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Please check out our Physical Education, Health and Wellness Events in Alberta at the following web link:

<https://cfl.inviteright.com/event/publicevents/K717CA>



## **CFL Adopted Family Program Christmas 2016**

Every year we run an Adopted Family program from The Centre for Learning@HOME to help families from our school community in need over the Christmas period.

In the past, from September until December, we have gathered items and monies to support these families, from members of The Centre for Learning @HOME

For more information on how you can help see the announcements folder in First Class or call Ms. Peterson @ 403-995-5319



## **2017 CFL Science Olympics**

Mr. Tait through FirstClass, or e-mail: [dtait@redeemer.ab.ca](mailto:dtait@redeemer.ab.ca) or phone: 403-938-8046 ext. 5323.

Science...it's a wonderful thing!