



Upcoming Important Dates

March 20	Spring Break starts – No School
March 30	School resumes
April 2	Easter Chapel 10:45am – All are welcome
April 3	No School – Good Friday
April 6	No School – Easter Monday
April 11	PCS Auction
April 16	Hot Lunch – Chicken Fingers (for those who ordered)
April 17	Extra Kindergarten Day
April 24	No School – Teacher Work Day
April 28	Grandparents Day

From the Board - Mrs. Carien Dominicus

Spring is coming! It is so exciting to see the seasons changing and to see all the beautiful ways that God displays His glory in creation.

You'll receive an email soon with volunteer position openings for next school year. Please prayerfully consider how you can help out as it takes many volunteers to run our school! Thank you to those that have successfully completed their terms.

The Board would like to remind you of a couple dates for your calendars:

- April 11th: We are very excited to spend the day with you all at our annual Spring Auction! Come for a great day of fellowship with the school community as well as many fun activities for the kids, while we raise funds for the school.
- May 28th: Save this date for our Spring Society Meeting. We will be voting in 2 new Board members at this meeting. Please continue to keep the Board in prayer as we go through the nomination process to come up with names to be voted on to replace Aaron Horne and Greg Thalen. As well, please be reminded that only those who are up to date on their Society fees will have voting privileges; please check with Irene Fraser if you are unsure if you have paid your fees for this year.

The Board will meet again on Wednesday April 1. Please feel free to contact one of us if you have any comments.

We pray you all have a blessed and refreshing Spring Break as well as a Blessed Easter remembering and celebrating the sacrifice made for us by our risen Saviour.

On Behalf of the PCS Board,
Carien Dominicus

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

Sports News - Mr. Josh Van Doesburg

As basketball season will officially come to a close after this weekend we would like to once again thank all of our coaches again for a great season!

Badminton try-outs will be held after the Spring Break for Gr 7-9 students. Please note there will be a fee payment of \$20 for all badminton players. Practice days are yet to be determined but will be posted on the school calendar. If you have any questions about the badminton season, please do not hesitate to reach out. We are looking forward to a fun couple week of badminton!

PCS Auction

You are invited to Ponoka Christian School's Annual Spring Fundraising Auction! Join us in the Ponoka Christian School Gym on Saturday April 11, 2026. Doors open @ 9:00am.

Join us in a day of fun for the whole family including the concession, lunch, and the kids' corner. Enjoy fellowship and conversation all while supporting our school. The Lord has blessed our school auction in the past and we ask for your continued support.

You can support us by donating items for the live auction, silent auction or bake table. Please let us know before March 30 if you plan to make a donation to the live auction.

Donations to the silent auction and the baking table can be made till the day before. Items can be dropped off at the school gym Friday April 10 between 1:00pm-3:00pm.

Students in grade 6-9 will also have the opportunity to sign up to help out with various activities in the kids' corner. Please talk to your child if this is something they are interested in. The kids' corner is also in need of a couple of parent volunteers to help out with face painting. Please contact the school if you can help out with this.

Auction starts @ 9:30am. We hope to see you there!

PCS Auction Committee,
Brienne Horne 905 928 9257, Brandi Pieper 403-704-6779, Val Ingwersen 403 877 4541

Class Auction Baskets

In support of the annual auction each class puts together a themed basket to be auctioned off. Please consider donating an item or donating cash for the teacher to purchase items towards

your child's class basket. The themes for each grade's baskets are listed below, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Kindergarten – “Best of Ponoka”

Grade 1 – Family Night

Grade 2 – Camping

Grade 3/4 – Girls: Garden Boys: Sports

Grade 5 – Outdoor BBQ

Grade 6 – Travel

Grade 7 – Game Night

Grade 8 – Gift Cards

Grade 9 – Athlete (Duffle bag to be filled)

Grandparents Day at PCS

Grandparents, special visitors, and pastors are invited to spend an afternoon at Ponoka Christian School on April 28. There will be a special program at 1:15pm after which visitors are welcome to stay and visit the classrooms. Doors open at 1pm and there is no need to RSVP.

I Love to Read Update

A big thank you for your amazing support during our February **I Love to Read Month!** This year's theme, “The Great Outdoors,” inspired students to explore new genres and stories— while also encouraging daily Bible reading across our school.

Together, PCS students logged an incredible **152,577 minutes of reading!**

We were excited to award prizes to many of our enthusiastic readers. A special congratulations to our top reading classes:

1st - Grade 7

2nd - Grade 1

3rd - Grade 8

Thank you for helping make this month such a fun and meaningful celebration of reading!

Celebration of Learning Update

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent Celebration of Learning! It was wonderful to see so many families and community members come together in support of our students. Events like this remind us how meaningful it is when learning is shared beyond the classroom and into the wider community.

Our students took great pride in showcasing their work, and it was inspiring to watch them confidently explain the displays and celebrate their achievements with family and friends. The excitement and energy that filled the hallways was a testament to the beautiful community we are part of and to the strong sense of connection we share. Your presence helped make the experience even more special for our students, reinforcing the value of their efforts and encouraging them to continue striving for their best.

Thank you once again for taking the time to attend and for being such an important part of our school community. We are already looking forward to next year's Celebration of Learning to be held on March 18, 2027.

From the Development Committee

- **Boston Pizza Operation Education:**
Thank you to all those who have handed in receipts already! Please continue to turn in your original receipts from any Edmonton and surrounding area Boston Pizza locations including, Ponoka, Lacombe and Red Deer to the school office, dating from Jan until June 2026. The school can then receive 5% of the total (before tax) of all receipts submitted!
- **Bobtail Nursery Fundraiser:** Thank you to all those who supported this fundraiser! Orders will be available for pickup at Bobtail Nursery between May 1 -6. All orders not picked up at Bobtail must be picked up at the school on May 8 (time TBD).
- **Cilantro and Chive Grad Fundraiser:** Enjoy a meal out at Cilantro & Chive and be sure to order some dessert! From now until the end of May, **\$1 from every Cotton Candy Cookie Chaos Ice Cream Sandwich** ordered at the restaurant will go towards the PCS grad trip!! Stay tuned because the grade 9's will also be having an **ice cream sandwich day in May!** Students will be assembling and delivering (in school) these ice cream sandwiches to students (and parents) who order! Order forms will be going home after spring break!

Now Accepting Applications - Ponoka Christian School is now accepting **Registrations for Pre-School and Kindergarten Students** for the 2026-27 school year. Information and registration packages can be found on the school website at www.ponokachristianschool.com or may be picked up from the school office.

Community News and Events

Lacombe Christian School - **Save the Date for April Events at LCS** April is a busy and exciting month at our school! You are invited to celebrate Christian education in the Lacombe area for 80 years at our **Celebration of Learning & 80th Anniversary Dessert Night on Thursday, April 9!** We hope to showcase what the students have been learning throughout this year,

especially the creative work they've done! There will be many static displays throughout classrooms and hallways, and a schedule of "live" displays and performances for people to see. LCS is blessed to have such a supportive community, and encouragement like yours plays an important role in helping us fulfill our mission of nurturing and educating our children in a Christ-centred environment. Our Annual Fundraising Auction is scheduled for Friday, April 24, and our Grandparents' & Seniors Supporters' Day is on Monday, April 27. Hope to see you there!

Camp Rehoboth - Rehoboth Camp Ministry is a Christian summer camp for people with special needs from young children to seniors. We want to share the love of Jesus, provide a summer camp experience, build relationships, and give parents or guardians a week of respite. We need volunteers to make this happen and are looking forward to having **you** be a part of this. A willingness to be a friend and help someone have a positive Camp experience is all that is needed. If you are 14 years old and up, have a heart for serving others, have a week to spare this summer, then we are the place for you! Check us out at: www.rcmflourish.ca/camp to get more information!

Red Deer Regional Airshow - We are excited to invite your students, staff, and families to attend the upcoming **Red Deer Regional Airshow** with an exclusive **15% off General Admission Tickets** for your school community.

As a valued partner in our region, Students along with their families and staff members can access this special offer by using the Promo code: **RDRAGroup** when purchasing tickets.

Discount: 15% off all General Admission Tickets

Promo Code: RDRAGroup

Location: Red Deer Regional Airport

Tickets: reddeerregionalairshow.com/

This year's event will feature an exciting lineup including the **Canadian Forces Snowbirds**, the **CF-18 Tactical Demonstration**, the **Canadian Armed Forces Parachute Team – SkyHawks**, **Historical Harvard**, **Morgan66 Racing**, and more. Beyond the aerial performances, the event will include **food trucks**, **aviation static displays**, **a community market**, **interactive STEM activities**, **a pilot autograph tent**, and the **Red Deer Auto Showcase presented by Adrenalin Auto Group**, bringing together the excitement of both aviation and automotive displays.

We hope to see your school community at this year's Red Deer Regional Airshow!



The graphic features a photograph of an airshow with several jets flying in the sky and a large crowd of spectators in the foreground. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with blue and orange accents.

RED DEER REGIONAL AIRSHOW
JULY 24 - 26, 2026

SCHOOL GROUP TICKETS!
SAVE 15%
PROMOCODE: RDRAGroup

FEATURING
Airshow | Canadian Forces Snowbirds
CF18 Tactical Demonstration | Car Show
Beer Gardens | Food Trucks | Static Displays
Aviation STEM Activities | Family Fun Zone
Historic Harvard Aircraft & more!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!
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PCS Auction

SATURDAY
APRIL 11, 2026

COFFEE AND DONUTS AVAILABLE AT 9AM
AUCTION STARTING AT 9:30AM
KIDS CORNER OPEN AT 10

Ponoka
Christian School

Come on out for a
day of fun for the
whole family!

We hope to see you
there!