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Semester 2 Important Dates:

- **Early Dismissal Dates:**
 - May 26
- **Holidays/Non-Student Days:**
 - May 5
 - May 19
 - June 26-27
- **Graduation:**
 - Friday June 27
- **FINAL EXAMS: JUNE 20 – 25**

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PRINCIPAL'S PEN

It was wonderful to connect with so many families during our recent Student-Led Conferences. These events provide valuable insight into student learning, and the feedback we gathered through high school course requests is already helping us prepare for the upcoming school year. If your student has not yet submitted a course selection form, please have them pick one up from the office as soon as possible. Our full course guide is also available on the UCHS website for viewing.

May is shaping up to be another exciting month at UCHS! Our Junior High Track & Field Meet is set for Wednesday, May 14. Students have been practicing their events in physical education classes, and we're looking forward to a fun and energetic day outdoors. Please note that this event is not optional unless an absence has been reported in advance for a specific reason. The day forms part of the physical education assessment. Students who are physically unable to participate will be assigned alternate roles and complete an adapted assignment.

We warmly invite families to attend and cheer on our young athletes. A concession will be available, and we'll cap off the day with a brand-new tradition: a staff vs. homeroom relay race! It promises to be a great way to end the event with school spirit and friendly competition.

As we head into the final stretch of the school year, we encourage all students and families to stay focused on attendance, course completion, and preparation for final exams. Exam dates are posted on our school calendar—please review these carefully. Final assessments are only rescheduled under specific, documented circumstances with advance notice. Missing exams due to holidays will result in incomplete courses, so planning ahead is essential.

Let's finish the year strong! With longer days and spring sunshine finally here, it's a great time to keep energy and momentum high as we work toward a successful finish to the school year.

Take care,

Aaron Melnyk

Principal, Unity Composite High School

LIBRARY WINNERS

In March, the library teamed up with the Positive School Climate Committee to host a St. Patrick's Day-themed Kahoot event. At the end of the competition, two lucky winners were awarded special "green" prizes. Congratulations to our winners Ara Kendrick and Grayden Bellegarde!



In April, the library celebrated the season with a fun "Spot the Difference" challenge, featuring Easter and spring-themed book covers displayed daily on the library TV. Students had to find the differences between two covers to enter their name into a prize draw. It was wonderful to see both junior and senior high students get into the spirit and take part. The two lucky winners were Kalley McWatters and Ethan Bertoia!



ART EXHIBIT

The junior high students have put in such incredible work to showcase off their visual art skills in our Junior High Art Exhibit! I am incredibly proud of their creations!

~Mrs. Steinhubel



UCHS Drama Presents

It's Murder,



A Comedy by Michael Park
Sunday May 4th
and
Monday May 5th
7:00 PM, Doors Open at 6:30 PM
\$10 for Adults
\$5 for Students

UCFS presents

The High School Rock Band

BACKSTAGE PASS

IN CONCERT



THURSDAY MAY 1 AND FRIDAY MAY 2

UNITY COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL GYM

7:30 PM Showtime

Adults \$10 Students \$2

**Part of the Proceeds will be donated to Unity Agriplex
repair and KC Rescue**

Bring your rock voice and support the band!

TRAVEL CLUB

Travel Club Adventures in London, Paris, Venice & Rome

Over the April break the Unity Travel Club embarked on an epic 10-day journey to four of Europe's most impressive cities. The group spent two sunny days in London where they had the opportunity to visit landmarks such as Big Ben, the London Eye, Trafalgar Square, Tower Bridge, Westminster Abbey, and Buckingham Palace. They also had the opportunity to take a half day excursion to Windsor Castle and finished their visit to London by taking in a performance of Wicked at the Apollo Victoria Theatre. The group then headed on to Paris where they started their trip in the majestic Versailles Palace. They toured through some amazing architecture, including the Hall of Mirrors, where the Treaty of Versailles that ended WW1 was signed. They then headed into the city and had the opportunity to see the Champs-Élysée and the towering Arc de Triomphe. They stopped off for a photo shoot at the iconic Eiffel Tower and toured through Notre Dame Cathedral. Their time in Paris finished with a few hours in the Louvre taking in some of the world's most impressive artwork, including the world-famous Mona Lisa. From there the group flew to Venice to enjoy Europe's "floating city". They traveled through Venice's canals on a traditional gondola and enjoyed some amazing food and scenery in one of Europe's most unique cities. The group ended their trip in Rome. Their visit began at the Colosseum and Roman Forum, where they had the opportunity to be surrounded by some amazing architecture built over 2000 years ago. Despite the tragic passing of the Pope, the group was still able to visit Vatican City and stare in awe at Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel ceiling fresco. They finished their trip with traditional pizza dinner in the heart of Rome! It was a truly the trip of a lifetime!



The Travel Club is already preparing for their next great adventure, which will explore Portugal and Spain. If you are interested in an unforgettable experience in some truly unique and beautiful cities, see Mr. Clark for details or check out the trip details by scanning the QR code. There will also be a meeting tonight, May 1, at 6:00 in the library for anyone interested!



LISBON, SEVILLE, MADRID

Date: Easter Break 2026

Check out the QR code for more details!





JUNIOR BADMINTON REPORT

This year UCITS had by far the largest Jr. Team in Battle West with 48 players who practiced and played regularly. Our team competed in 8 Tournaments. In those tournaments 35 different athletes competed in a total of 62 categories. We also participated in 4 League competitions. In those competitions 28 different players competed in 20 categories.

In these various competitions our teams were successful winning many medals in their tournaments. Our Jr. Season culminates in our Battle West District Competition which we hosted at UCITS. Congratulations to the following athletes who qualified for districts: Emma Gilbert (GS), Emma Ralston & Chenae Bowker (GD), Mya Wagner & Ashlyn Brown (GD), Hunter Ireland & Cole Ducherer (BD), Anton Sieben & Christian Neigum (BD), & Emersyn Brown & Lyle Aguinaldo (MD). A special congratulations to Tylan Blanchette (GS) & Owen Bosch (BS) who won Battle West District Gold Medals in their respective categories.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW

Congratulations to the following UCHS Knights of Columbus Free Throw Winners:

14-year-old Boys — 1st Owen Bosch, 2nd Dakota Andre

14-year-old Girls — 1st Tiana Leibel 2nd Tylan Blanchette

13-year-old Boys — 1st Eric Niccolls 2nd Ryden Hoffman

13-year-old Girls — 1st Kingston Meredith 2nd Kendall Mutch

12-year-old Boys — 1st Kody Walz 2nd Jaxon Delfrari

12-year-old Girls — 1st Taenslee Wagner 2nd Ayvah Leibel



TRACK & FIELD

Track season is in full swing! Practices continue Tues, Wed, and Thursday each week. Coaches are impressed with turnout and progress. We are looking forward to the Junior High meet at school on Wednesday May 14th and Districts in North Battleford on Wednesday May 28th and Thursday May 29th!

STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES

Honesty:
~ telling the truth
and being fair
and trustworthy
in what you say
and do

Respect
Responsibility
Choose to Learn

CADENCE
JOHNSON



This month, I would like to recognize Cadence for the way she models our three beliefs: respect, responsibility, and choosing to learn. CJ is respectful in her interactions with both her classmates and teachers. In science class, she demonstrates responsibility by bringing her materials and submitting assignments on time. CJ chooses to learn by using class time effectively and, when solving physics problems, she often volunteers to share her work with the class. Thank you for modeling our three beliefs and for your many positive contributions to our science classroom. Keep up the great work!
-submitted by Mrs. Clark

CHENAE
BOWKER



Chenae Bowker is a remarkable badminton player, not only for her skill but also for her unwavering honesty on the court. She's known for her sportsmanship, always treating her opponents with respect and kindness. When there is any doubt about a call, Chenae doesn't hesitate to give the point to her opponent, ensuring fairness even if it means sacrificing her own advantage.

Her honesty sets her apart, creating a positive atmosphere in every match. Chenae believes that the true spirit of the game lies in playing with integrity, and this mindset has earned her the admiration of both teammates and competitors. Her actions show that success isn't just about winning; it's about playing fairly, respecting others, and upholding the values of honesty and fairness. Chenae's commitment to honesty continues to inspire those around her, proving that integrity is just as important as skill in sports.

-submitted by Ms. Svenkeson

HUDSYN
WINTERHALT



In W & A 20, Hudson is the only student who has been on time every day and has a perfect attendance record so far this year. She works hard every day and uses her class time to complete all of the assignments and ask questions when she needs to. Even though she has all

the positive learning behaviors, assessments can go poorly. Hudson never gives up! She comes for extra help, takes reassessment opportunities, and tries again. Thanks for setting a positive example for your classmates, Hudson! Your hard work is something to be admired by your peers.

-submitted by Mrs. Poitras

MAXIM
RAPUTIN



Honesty is just plain telling the truth. When I think about honest people in my day, I think of Maxim. If Maxim knows something, he tells you. If he doesn't know something, he tells you. When asked a question on a test, he tells you what he knows. Maxim doesn't let emotions get in the way of facts or his point of view. His openness and honesty are a breath of fresh air.

-submitted by Mrs. Orobko

BRINLEY
HEADRICK



Brinley is a remarkably honest individual, consistently demonstrating a commitment to truthfulness in all aspects of her interactions both in and out of the classroom. This unwavering integrity is particularly evident when she provides constructive feedback to her peers. Brinley always approaches these discussions with sincerity, ensuring that her feedback is both supportive and rooted in a genuine desire to help others grow. Brinley engages in thoughtful self-reflection, carefully considering her accomplishments and recognizing areas where she can improve. This ability to critically assess her performance speaks to her dedication to personal growth as well as her commitment to fostering an environment of honesty and openness, both with herself and with those around her. Through her actions, Brinley exemplifies the importance of honesty and self-reflection in achieving both individual and collective success. Keep up the awesome work, Brinley!

-submitted by Mrs. Steinhubel

CHESTER MILLER



I have had the pleasure of getting to know Chester this year through coaching him curling, badminton and his involvement in the Minecraft Club. It is so great to see Chester (and ALL grade 7s) get involved and active in our school community. Chester has been willing to try new things and work with a team to achieve a goal. He has been successful as well — earning a bronze medal at District Curling and a Silver medal at the UCITS Grade 7 Badminton tournament. Chester has been patient and kind at Minecraft club, accepting all students where they are at. Although quiet, Chester takes in those around him and treats them with respect and understanding. Chester also has amazing style! His Disney shirts and hoodies don't go unnoticed. Keep being YOU Chester! You are a great ambassador for UCITS.

-submitted by Mrs. Snell

BROOKLYNN GOLDING



I have recently had the delight of adding Brooklyn Golding to my Info Pro 10 class and I am so pleased that she has joined us. She is polite, hardworking and has excellent communication skills. She is definitely choosing to learn at our school, and I'm pleased that she knows when to ask for help and accepts it gratefully. You'll do very well in life with the great attitude, Brooklyn. Keep it up!

-submitted by Miss Krips

This month, I would like to recognize Ashlyn Brown for her outstanding work ethic and attitude both in the classroom and in the gym. Ashlyn is an awesome human! In the classroom, Ashlyn shows up every day with a commitment to learn. She is attentive during lessons, diligent with her work, and consistent with her performance. In the gym, Ashlyn is a skilled athlete who enjoys challenging herself. She participates actively, regardless of the activity, and is always a great teammate. Our virtue of the month is honesty, and so I would also like to commend Ashlyn on her integrity. Ashlyn has strong moral principles, and I always know, regardless of the environment or the situation, that I can trust Ashlyn to do what she says she's going to do or that she will do what she knows is right. Ashlyn's trustworthiness and commitment to doing the right thing make her a role model for others. Keep being awesome, Ashlyn!

-submitted by Mr. Clark

ASHLYN BROWN



ARA
KENDRICK



Ara is an excellent example of an honest and hardworking student in the classroom. Throughout this year while teaching her both science and math, Ara has exemplified her hard work often. When she does not understand a topic, or has a question about something we have learned in class, she is always the first student to admit that she needs a little bit more time to understand a topic, which is always appreciated. You can also always count on her for her blunt and honest sense of humour, which adds to the fun classroom environment. Keep up the great work, Ara!

-submitted by Ms. Gartner

I am extremely impressed with Meryn Greenwald for choosing to learn in Math 9 this year. Meryn has been working very hard and has made huge improvements not only in her basic math facts and skills but also in her work ethic and confidence level. She is prepared for class, she volunteers answers, and she does not hesitate to ask questions. And because of this, Meryn is taking more responsibility for her own learning and is making much positive progress in this class. Excellent work this year, Meryn. Continue to work hard all the way to the end.

-submitted by Mrs. Gartner

MERYN
GREENWALD



I recognize that this month's virtue is honesty. I wish to add integrity, responsibility and commitment to the list. Put these all together and you are describing Ethan Bertoia. Ethan is committed to just about everything he does. He excels in the classroom academically and is respected and trusted by his peers. I just completed a season of badminton with him where his dedication and commitment were on display at each practice and each competition. I am happy to say that he and his partner's best matches were at districts playoffs with a 4th place result. Thank you for being a leader in and out of the classroom Ethan.

-submitted by Mr. Parker

ETHAN
BERTOIA



Kasey Parker - a true warrior! Kasey is a remarkable example of what it means to live out the 3-Beliefs of Unity Composite High School: Respect, Responsibility, and Choosing to Learn. As co-captain of our senior girls' basketball team, Kasey consistently demonstrates what it means to lead with character, heart, and dedication.

KASEY
PARKER



Kasey shows Respect in all she does—toward her teammates, her coaches, her opponents, and the game itself. She leads by example, modelling sportsmanship, kindness, and a positive attitude, even in the most competitive moments.

She demonstrates Responsibility through her consistent commitment to her team and school. Kasey shows up on time, prepared, and ready to give her best effort. Her reliability and work ethic have made her a cornerstone of our basketball program.

Kasey Chooses to Learn by always looking for ways to grow. She asks questions, reflects on her performance, and actively works to improve—not just for herself, but to help elevate those around her. Her love for the game and dedication to learning are infectious.

Having coached Kasey for the past three years, I can confidently say she is a role model in every sense of the word. Her leadership, humility, and drive make her an outstanding warrior, and we're incredibly proud to celebrate her success.

Well done, Kasey—you represent the very best of UCITS!
-submitted by Mr. Melnyk

ELISHA
AVENA



Honesty is only one of the admirable virtues that Elisha regularly demonstrates in Wellness 10. She can be counted on both to give an honest effort in all lessons and to be truthful with her words and actions. Like many of her classmates I have been very impressed with her effort and growth this semester. Great work Elisha!

-submitted by Mr. Cey

Honesty is perhaps my most valued virtue. It encapsulates being comfortable with your actions at all times. It sets the standard for relationships and interactions. Honesty goes beyond simply not lying; it also includes being sincere, trustworthy, and acting

with integrity. Jailyn Reiniger is a student who exemplifies this virtue every day. Without effort Jailyn is sincere, trustworthy and acts with integrity. We see these qualities in class and in the halls. Jailyn follows our 3 Beliefs in all areas, especially honesty. Well done, Jailyn.

-submitted by Mr. O

JAILYN
REINIGER



WYATT
CLARKE



Wyatt has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to Choosing to Learn and taking Responsibility for his work in Media Studies this semester. From the start, he has approached each his work with curiosity and a willingness to engage with media concepts. His critical

thinking skills shine through in his analysis of media messages, where he thoughtfully questions perspectives and considers viewpoints. Wyatt consistently takes responsibility for his learning by managing deadlines, and participating in class discussions. Whether working independently or collaborating with peers, Wyatt's dedication and thoughtful approach inspire those around him. His success in Media Studies reflects not only his hard work but also his ability to think critically and take ownership of his learning journey.

Keep up the great work!

-submitted by Mr. Wood

LEVON
MCGONIGLE



Levon is a dedicated and focused student who consistently demonstrates a strong work ethic, which is reflective of our three beliefs. He uses his time wisely in class, staying on task and engaged in his learning. Levon completes all of his work on time and with care, never needing reminders or prompting to stay on task. His self-motivation and reliability make him a positive example for his peers. Keep up the great work, Levon!

-submitted by Ms. Huber

When I think about honesty, a lot of students come to mind, but none more than Jada Poitras. Jada is not only a reliable student who takes responsibility for her learning, but she is one of the most honest students I have. Jada rarely falls behind on her work, but when she does, she is upfront and honest about it. She never misses deadlines and ensures the work she hands in is always done to the best of her ability, no matter what.

I know I can count on Jada to be responsible and give her honest opinion on things no matter what.

-submitted by Mrs. Hrynuk

JADA
POITRAS



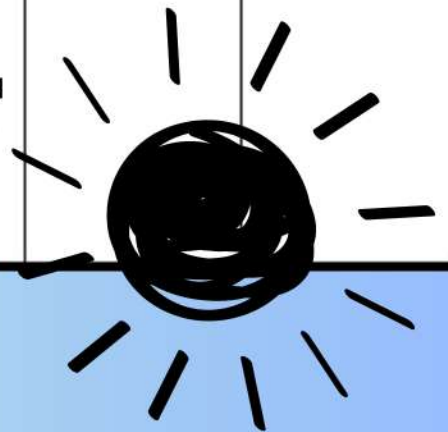
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 School Closed (Holidays)
 Teacher Days/Non-Student Days

MAY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Travel Club Meeting 6:00 pm in the library Rock Band Performance 7:30 pm	2 Rock Band Performance 7:30 pm	3 Senior Badminton Regionals @ S'toon
4 Drama Performance 7:00 pm	5 PD Day No School Drama Performance 7:00 pm	6 School Drama Performance	7	8	9	10
11 HAPPY Mother's Day	12 SCC AGM 7:00 pm in the library	13	14 Junior Track & Field Meet	15	16	17
18	19 No School	20	21	22 Grade 8 TTYL	23	24
25	26 Early Dismissal	27	28 District Track & Field Meet @ NB	29 District Track & Field Meet @ NB	30	31



May...the gateway to summer