



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ CCS

CALENDAR NOTES DON'T FORGET!



Remember to change your clock back 1 hour on Sunday, November 2.

Fall Society Meeting is on November 18. Please note start time of 7 pm. Meeting packages have been sent in the mail.

FIESTA TIME ARRRRRRRIBBAA!



Our Fiesta event is happening on Saturday, November 22 at the Secondary Campus from 11am-3pm. Everyone is welcomed to attend! Taco bar lunch, Kid's Zone, Bake sale, Vendor tables, Cake walk and much more!

DONATIONS REQUESTED:

Home baked items to be sold at the bake sale. Please package, label and price baked goods. Items can be dropped off at either campus on Nov. 21 from 9am - 2pm.

Used Sports Equipment in gently used and clean condition welcome. No skis or large exercise equipment please. Items can be dropped off on Nov. 21 from 2 - 4 pm.

Used Books, suitable for all ages, can be dropped off at the Secondary Campus (Konnectus room) Nov 17-Nov 21.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteering is a great way to build a community. Check out the [PRE-EVENT signup](#) as well as [help on the day](#) of the event.

WANT TO BE IN THE KNOW? VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Would you like to be notified when a new volunteer opportunity is created? Let us know and we will add you to our notification list! Email the [Community Relations Office](#).

RAISING EXPECTATIONS ANNUAL DRIVE IS UNDERWAY

The Annual Fund is a significant way through which our community participates in the on-going activities of CCS by providing for things that program fees alone won't cover. In many cases, the Annual Fund addresses the most pressing needs of Calgary Christian School. [Click here](#) for details.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR A "POST IT" NOTE



Trust is the glue of life. It's the most essential ingredient in effective communication. It's the foundational principle that holds all relationships. *Stephen Covey*

CHAPLAIN NEWS YOUR FEEDBACK WANTED

Chaplain Layne is in his second week at the school and would love to hear from students and parents. Always open to conversations, he'd especially like to know how you think we're doing as we work with God to form faith in our students and what we could do even better. Feel free to schedule a face-to-face meeting with Chaplain Layne in his office at the Secondary by calling him at (403) 242-2896 ext 342 or via email: chaplain@csce.net. You can read more about Layne on our website under the Parents page, [Chaplain News](#).

GPS TRACKING TEXT OR EMAIL NOTIFICATION



Did you know we have over 100 families using Willco's bus service to CCS? Traveling Calgary's roads under the best of circumstances can be difficult. Our school bus drivers do their best to get our students to school in a safe and timely manner despite traffic congestion or weather conditions. Two thumbs up drivers! *We're excited to share that Willco Transportation is able to track our busses live with GPS and has recently added a real time delay notification system for when a bus is running behind schedule. Families can be notified via text or email that their bus is running late and can adjust their pick-up times.* To register for this notification service contact [Karen](#). We're doing our utmost to help families arrive at CCS as quickly and safely as possible!

CHRISTMAS CANTATA "AGNUS DEI" CCS CHOIR



The CCS Grade 7, 8 and Senior choirs will join forces with the choir from Bethany Chapel and a live orchestra to present the Christmas Cantata "Agnus Dei" written by Michael W. Smith on **Wednesday December 10** at Bethel United Reformed Church (corner of Old Banff Coach Road and 101 Street) beginning at 7:00 PM and **Sunday, December 14** at Bethany Chapel (3333 Richardson Way - across from Mt. Royal University - West Gate Entrance) beginning at 6:30 PM.

POINSETTIA SALES SENIOR BAND TOUR TO MONTREAL



The Music tour is heading to Montreal in May 2015! We are fundraising for this trip so that each student will be able to participate. Orders are due November 13 and must be accompanied by payment. The plants will be available for pickup on November 22 at Fiesta located at the Secondary Campus. [Click here for order details.](#)

PLANNING IS UNDER WAY CCS ROBOTICS TEAM

The CCS Robotics Team 5078 Robo-Kaos has begun planning for the exciting new season, building on last year's successful rookie season (www.robo-kaos.com). While the extremely busy design and build period does not happen until the new project challenge is released in January, planning and fundraising have already started. This year's team, so far, has four high school students and a promising new crop of seven Gr. 9 students eager to learn and continue the team into future years. There are 4 returning engineer mentors to lead the team and several parents supporting them. CCS, through Phil Bonk, has generously supported the team with after school/evening use of the school shop during the six week build season in January and February.

SPRING FUNDRAISING EVENT MARCH 13, 2015



Want to help plan this special CCS event? Join us on Monday, Nov. 3 at 2 pm. Contact [Corrin & Leona](#) or sign up [here](#).

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFO

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER, DONNA HERRICK

Greetings CCES students and families. Check out the Student and Parent Resource section on my webpage! New articles, free apps, and/or resources are posted every month. You can find me under Elementary/Family School Liaison Counsellor.

CHANGES TO THE LABELS, CAMPBELL SOUP



Due to changes in dietary habits and the need to apply volunteer time to other priorities, CCS has decided to end the Campbell Soup label collection program. We are counting our current holdings and will purchase recess equipment for our Elementary students using this last batch. A special THANK YOU to those in our community who generously supported CCS through this initiative over the years. MMM-mmm good!

KEY TO SUCCESS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

At the Elementary School, we have two ways for parents to support the teaching staff and be involved with our students! Please consider volunteering with outdoor supervision. This would allow some relief for teachers to have some additional prep time during the recess and lunch breaks. You could also assist with our new "Read with Me" program, allowing students grades 1- 6 to read out loud. It is proven that reading is a key to success! We encourage you to phone the office or click on the [Volunteer SignUp Genius](#) on our website. *Please note: volunteers are required to have security clearances.*

ELEMENTARY HOCKEY PROGRAM, REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registrations will be accepted until the program is full or by Dec. 12. Find details and forms [here](#) or on our website.



SECONDARY SCHOOL INFO

LUNCH FOOD FUELS ACTIVITIES, PROFITS AND ORDERS



Did you know our Secondary Lunch Program does more than serve delicious and HEALTHY options 5 days a week? CCS's partnership with Howie's offers: Asian stir fry, soups and salads, chicken tenders, amazing lasagna, fresh mac n' cheese, and Howie's signature pizza throughout the week. Served hot and fresh from our kitchen each day, CCS' share of profits from these meals supports our Belize mission trips, Annual Band Tour, West Coast Trail adventure, and the Grade 12 Grad event. Students involved in these activities help serve lunches as a way to "earn credit" for their group activity.

Feedback on freshness, flavor and options are extremely positive: BUT, we could sure use a few more subscribers! You can preorder a "meal deal" for \$7 (includes an entrée, snack, and drink) online OR purchase a la carte from the kitchen the day of choice. To review our menu, order online AND support these enriching student activities, check us out at under Secondary Lunches on our Website or [click here](#) to set up an order account.

WHAT CCS HAS TO OFFER COME AND SEE



If you know someone who would like to find out more about CCS, please invite them to our Open House on Thurs, Nov 27 at 7 pm at the Secondary Campus. For additional information or to RSVP click [here](#) and follow the instructions. Please contact Terri Filipski, Admissions Coordinator, by email: admissions@csce.net or by phone: 403-242-2896 ext 312.

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING NOMINATE A TEACHER

Excellence in Teaching Awards. Did you know you can nominate a Teacher or Principal for this award, presented by the Ministry of Education? To read about the criteria, nomination process and awards, go to [this website](#).

RE-ENROLMENT DOCUMENTS PLEASE NOTE

Re-enrolment documents will be circulated at the end of November. Watch your mailboxes for details.