



CCS Theme Verse 2015-2016: 1 Peter 4:10-11
¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ CCS

IT'S TIME TO MEET SOCIETY MEETING

Interested in hearing from your School Board about what is taking place at the School? Come on Tuesday, November 17 at 7pm to the Secondary Campus for a Society meeting and conversation. Agenda and details will be mailed next week to Society Members.

COMMUNITY EVENT CHRISTMAS FAIR

Join us on Saturday, December 5 from 9:30am - 1:30pm

Located at the Secondary Campus this event is for our school community, neighbours, supporters and friends. There will be a bake sale, brunch items for purchase, Jivin Java cafe, a kid's only store (no adults allowed - just for kids to Christmas shop for their special people), the kid's zone (\$5 to play for ages 4-10), a used sports store, used book store, salsa, vendor and craft tables.



This event needs YOU! There are so many ways to help make this event a success! From [pre-event opportunities](#) of apple pie prep to [day of opportunities](#) a shift clearing tables. Set-up, take down, cashiers, bakers, decor, packaging, pricing, kids zone, runners - YOU and 139 others make this happen! Remember - attenders needed too.

Save your gently used sport items and used books, we will be accepting donations on Dec 4 for the Christmas Fair.

REMEMBER TO INVITE SPECIAL EVENTS

The Grade 6 students, along with volunteers, will also be serving a home-made soup and bun lunch in the Elementary Gym on Friday, November 13 from 11:30am - 12:30pm for **ALL SENIORS** connected to our school. The ES students have been practicing their favourite worship songs and are excited to participate in this event! Please RSVP by email [here](#) or phone: 403.242.2896 ext. 352. If you would like to assist with this special lunch, please [sign up here](#). Senior and Grandparent guests are also invited to a special Remembrance Chapel on Friday, November 6 at Emmanuel Church at 9am.



FIND IT ON THE WEBSITE A PLACE FOR PARENTS

On the [Parent Tab](#) on the website, we have pages listed to make accessing information convenient for both campuses. Blessings and Burdens—who is looking for a [new coordinator](#), School Council—who has their next meeting (and you're invited to) on November 27 at 7pm, Parents Who Pray – which meets on Tuesday mornings in the Konnectus Room, are all listed there. Plus the Calendar Page, which lists so many important dates!

FAITH FORMATION PASTOR LAYNE

November is bursting with ways that we'll encourage students to speak the very words of God! Please join me in praying for these dates and activities:

2-3: Dwayne Peace of Life Synergy for Youth will lead "Life's Challenges in Secondary School". Find out more on our [Parent Sessions page](#).

6 & 10: Remembrance Day Assemblies for Elementary and Secondary. This year we will thank a WWII veteran for his part in part in the war. All students (K-12) are encouraged to bring a pantry item for the VETERANS FOOD BANK. Plus the Elementary Assembly is part of the way our school honors the Seniors who are part of our community!

19: We welcome back Phil Boyte for a Chapel with our Grade 7-12 students and also to work with our High School Student Council. Phil's passion is positive school culture and he'll also be part of the Palliser High School Student Leadership initiative in Lethbridge. Learn more about Phil at <http://learningforliving.com/home>

27: Doing Hard Things Symposium – Risking. Trying. Trusting. A keynote by Alvin Law, a motivational speaker who sees his physical disability as a gift will kick off a day of inspiration! Then students will choose two of approximately 15 speakers like **Kerry Cundal**, Federal Liberal Candidate for Calgary Signal Hill; **Janelle Bekkering**, former Gonzaga University and Canadian National Team Basketball team player; and **Riley Lindberg** a 22 year-old who will share how God has successfully carried him through a five-year battle with Lyme disease. All these speakers will share how the challenges in life have formed them for the better.

PCCE CONVENTION THANK-YOU

Our teachers met last week Thursday and Friday with over 350 of their colleagues for a "time to be flourished". Since we hosted the event at our school, staff spent many hours planning, preparing and working hard for this special event. Thank you to those who put in so much time and also to the parents who provided home-made baking, it was very well received!

A shout-out to these companies who were extra supportive for this event; [Fratello Coffee Roasters](#), Culligan Water and [Gull Valley Greenhouses](#). We appreciate our local suppliers!



WHAT'S HAPPENING

INVITE TO CCS

OPEN HOUSE

Do you know of a family who is interested in attending CCS? If so, tell them about our Open House!



When: Tuesday, November 24, 2015

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: Commons, Secondary Campus

What: Presentations, Principal & Teacher meetings *Plus* tours

RSVP: Online – Open House page found on the [Admissions tab](#).

Open Registration begins Monday, January 18, 2016.

Also, if you are interested in volunteering at our Open House, please signup [here](#). I'd love some extra hands!

Thank you,

Terri Filipski, Admissions Coordinator, ext.312

GET RID OF YOUR BITS AND PIECES

RECYCLE AND REUSE

We are collecting rinsed out 4L milk cartons for Christmas Fair. You can drop off at the ES Office—but make sure they're rinsed clean!

Mr. Barthel can still use MORE of your outdated business cards for his HS math class to do some fractal building. Please drop off at the Secondary Campus for them to use.

The Grade 6 needs your **no-longer-needed** ribbon, in all shades or patterns of green. Preferably ¼ - ½ inch wide, short/long pieces or spools. Ribbons are being made into ornaments and will be sold at the Christmas Fair on December 5! Please bring to the ES Office.

BANKING INFORMATION

Access your money to WIN!

Sign up for a Christian Credit Union MEMBER CARD® at our Business Office and enter to WIN an Apple iPad! Use your MEMBER CARD® debit card to:

- .Make in-store purchases
- .Withdraw cash from an ACCULINK® Credit Union ATM surcharge-free
- .Deposit cheques, transfer funds, and check your balance on-line or with our Mobile App.

Visit www.christiancu.ca for more details. Contest runs from November 2, 2015 to January 29, 2016. *Offer available to HeadStart® (Grades 7 to 12) members only.* To sign up your student for a CCU bank account, check out [our website](#) or email: calgarychristianschool@csce.net



Remember to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday evening, October 31.



TEACHING FOR TRANSFORMATION SERVANT WORKERS

Grade 5 students collected food to make trail mix snack packs for Brown Bag for Calgary. With the help of some Grade 9 students on October 15, over 300 snack packs were made to help a school in need.



On November 9, the Grade 9 leadership class will visit the Drop-In Centre. They will have opportunity to serve residents breakfast and take a tour of the facility. The class will raise \$1,000 through a Buck for Breakfast campaign here at the school. Mrs. Her and I (Pastor Layne) are praying they will get a chance to learn from the residents and staff and receive a greater sense of God's love for less fortunate.

SUPPORT OUR BAND PROGRAM

ORDER CHRISTMAS PLANTS



Our band is headed to Winnipeg in the Spring and you can help us get there! Orders due November 16, delivery date is Saturday, December 5 at the Secondary Campus during the Christmas Fair. The order form is [available here](#) and on the CCS fundraising tab.

SUPPORT A TRIP TO QUEBEC

HS FRENCH CLASS

The French class is selling chocolate covered almonds for \$3 a box. If you would like to purchase a box or two, but don't know a student in the high school French program, they can email [Mme. Chrest](#) who will put some aside for you to pick up at the Secondary Campus.

THIRD ANNUAL SPORTS TOURNAMENT

JOIN THE FUN

We have an exciting event coming up on Friday and Saturday, January 1-2, 2016 (the second weekend of Christmas holidays) – it's the THIRD Annual Alumni Sports Tournament, featuring basketball on Friday afternoon and volleyball on Saturday (beginning at 10am).

Open to Alumni of all ages, current staff and current Varsity players! (\$5 per player per sport, which includes a team t-shirt and team photo) *Everyone* is invited to come watch the competition and celebrate our HUGE CCS community! There will be opportunity to support the Secondary band program by purchasing concession items as well as chances to win door prizes!

If you would like to volunteer to be a referee, scorekeeper, or linesperson or would like to donate a door prize, please contact our Alumni Liaison at kdees@csce.net. If you would like to participate as a player, please complete [this online registration](#) form. For this and much more, please LIKE the CCS Alumni Facebook page at www.facebook.com/calgarychristianschoolalumni or the [Calgary Christian School Facebook](#) page.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFO

NOVEMBER 18 - 20 BOOK FAIR

As students visit the fair with their classes, they have an opportunity to purchase books for themselves or their family. Please note the library will be closed during this week to host the book fair. There will be three vendors; Living Books, Usborne Books and United Library Services. The profits from purchases will support the CCS library and classrooms with new books. Books will be available to purchase from 8:30am-4:30pm on Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30am-12:00pm Friday.

Remember:

November 18 is dress up like a book character day.

November 19, author Irish Beth Maddock will be visiting the school to speak in chapel and reading to the grade 1-2 classes. Her book "The Great Carp Escape" will be available to purchase during the book fair. On November 20 there is a used book exchange, which will be facilitated within their classrooms.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SAMARTIN'S PURSE

Reminder: Shoeboxes are due back November 20.

SECONDARY SCHOOL INFO

MS CHRISTMAS BANQUET VOLUNTEER

The Middle School will be hosting a **potluck Christmas dinner** on Friday, December 11. We are looking for volunteers to cook a turkey and assist with set up and clean up, if you're able to help please sign [up here](#).

MAKING MUSIC BAND CAMP

Camp Caroline for Grade 8/9 band was a great success. Edmonton North, West, Immanuel (Lethbridge) and CCS, combined for a 140 piece band which ended the camp with a concert at Rocky Christian School.

WHAT'S HAPPENING MATH UPDATE



Mr. Robichaud's Math 10C and Math 20-1 classes have tackled the beginnings of some unsolved and otherwise problems in their classes as tools to either introduce or better understand curricular concepts. One of these is called the Happy Numbers problem:

A number is happy if it can reach 1 by adding the squares of its digits to form a new number and repeating this step until it reaches 1.

See if you can find the lowest happy number that can reach 1 in 3 steps (the grade 11 students did it in 3-5 steps). Read more [here](#).

TEACHING FOR TRANSFORMATION (TFT) FAITH FORMATION at the ES

And the posters are up! Take a moment the next time you are at our campus to see the different images and words that describe our "through lines". **Justice Seeking** is the through line for the month of November. What a wonderful opportunity to teach our children about how they can be disciples in God's world! Children can write letters to the government, help at food banks and help raise money to purchase a goat, lantern or medical supplies in another country. The family devotional for each month is [available here](#) and on our website on the ABOUT tab, on the [TFT](#) page.

IT'S (ALMOST) HOCKEY TIME GET ON THE ICE



Did you know the Elementary School has been running parent-led hockey program for many, many years? Registration will begin next Tuesday afternoon once forms are available on our website. (ES Hockey page under the Elementary Tab). There is limited space, with no exceptions, so get your forms in early! This year we are offering a seven week recreational program, Fridays afterschool at Optimist Arena, January to March. Volunteers on ice are required and can be indicated on your child's registration form.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL MEET WITH THE TEACHER

Conference Manager for Parent-Teacher Conferences will open this Saturday, October 31 at 9am. The link to Conference can be found on the [front page](#) of our website.

FROM MRS. FOSTER CAREER NOTES

Remember, the sooner you apply to universities, the sooner your application will be processed and the earlier you can access that school's financial award information!

MyBlueprint.ca - this is a great tool to explore career options, post-secondary programs, etc. Contact me if you have questions or need help with your account. You can always contact me by [email](#) or book an appointment at [cfoster.youcanbook.me](#).

[Financial and Scholarship Information](#)

For a list of Open Houses, please go to our [website](#) today as these events are taking place right now! U of C, King's University, SAIT and more.

