

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

CCS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WANTED: 3 NEW SOCIETY BOARD MEMBERS

Nominations for new board members must be in by March 31. Send your suggestions today to board@csce.net. Elections will take place during the Annual Society Meeting May 17.

What is the Election Process?

Each year, 3 "directors" from our 9 member Society Board conclude their three-year terms. The Board is currently asking you to nominate names from amongst our parent community (Society members) to stand for election and fill these vacancies. As nominations are not permitted from the floor during the meeting, all nominees must be contacted and vetted by the Board prior to the election. The names of candidates along with their biographies will then be circulated to all Society members 3 weeks prior to the meeting. To vote, you must be a member of the Society in good standing and present at the meeting May 17.

What does the Board do?

The Board is the keeper of the mission and vision of Calgary Christian School. As such, the Board not only oversees the financial needs of the school, but is also actively involved assessing the physical needs of our campuses, determining strategies for growth and development, and formulating policies that reflect the values of our community. Ultimately, the Board is here to ensure that CCS will continue to deliver an excellent, Christian education.

Who should serve?

The Board seeks women and men with personal relationships with Jesus Christ, committed to the mission and values of CCS, who desire to apply their time and talent in service of the school. We are particularly interested in developing a Board that reflects the cultural and ethnic diversity of our school community. Expertise in education or management is not a prerequisite; the Society benefits from the complementary skills and "gifts" of its leadership. Spiritual gifts, in addition to any vocational expertise, matter deeply in creating an effective Board.

If you know of someone who would be a valuable asset to the Board, or if you personally feel called to participate in this important service to CCS, please submit your recommendations directly to the Board at board@csce.net. A member of the nominating committee will personally follow up with each person nominated.

TWEET, TWEET

TWITTER

CCS has a twitter account, follow us @YYCchristian1!

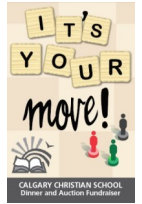


WHY DID THE CHICKEN CROSS THE ROAD? THEY'RE LOOKING FOR A HOME

Do you have large animal cage waiting to be used?? The Grade One classes would love to resume our chicken egg hatching program again, but we need to house our little hatchlings for a couple of weeks. Can you help by lending us a cage? Please [email Mrs. Ermter](mailto:email.Mrs.Ermter).

ANNUAL AUCTION AND DINNER FUNDRAISER "IT'S YOUR MOVE!"

Invites have been sent and the planning is well underway for our "It's Your Move Dinner and Auction Fundraiser"! Join us on Friday, May 6 at the Red and White Club in casual attire. The evening has a game theme with ways to play and win along with silent and live auctions being planned. Tickets will continue to be on sale once we are back from spring break at both campuses or by contacting [Community Relations Office](#).



Do you have games or puzzles that are missing pieces and you would like to clear out of your home? Please consider donating them to our Community Relations Office to use for the Spring Fundraiser! Please let [Corrin know](#) or drop off at either campus.



ALICE IN WONDERLAND JOB WELL DONE!

"It's like my dream come true!" said one student as she stepped onto the Wright Theatre stage at Mount Royal University for a technical rehearsal of *Alice in Wonderland*. The CCS production of the Lewis Carroll tale was presented March 9 – 12, and featured the talents of more than 30 middle and high school students.

Unlike previous CCS shows, it was not performed in a gymnasium, but in a 260 seat professional theatre equipped with a huge stage, marquee, fly loft, dressing rooms, lights and sound. In addition to the colorful costumes and outrageous characters from CCS, MRU tech crews helped enhance the whimsical drama with a colorful display of light and boisterous sound. Best of all, audience members were treated to comfortable seats with unobstructed views of the stage and action.

For actor and audience alike, *Alice in Wonderland* proved to be a whole new level of theatre experience for the CCS community. Linda Delaney, cast and crew wish to thank the many family members and friends who came out to support this bold, theatrical effort. Thank you for making it a milestone event in the life of drama at CCS.



SPRING BREAK ACTIVITY! CCS ROBOTICS



Thank you for all the donations toward the CCS Robotics Team bottle drive! During Spring Break, come cheer us on!

FRC Western Canada Regional Competition
U of C Olympic Oval

Tuesday and Wednesday, April 5-6, 9am – 6pm.

The 2016 Challenge, STRONGHOLD, is played by two competing Alliances of three robots each on a 27' x 54' 'field'. The objective is to defeat your opposing alliance's defenses, shoot 'boulders' into the their castle, and score as many points as possible during a two (2)-minute and 15-second match. See the following links for challenge animation. <http://www.robo-kaos.com/>
<http://frcwest.com/category/regional-events/>



TAKE LOTS OF PICTURES YEARBOOK PHOTOS

My name is Will and I have been attending the school since ECS. This year for my senior project I have taken the task to create the 2015-2016 Calgary Christian School yearbook from cover to cover. This is an exciting project for me as it lets me get involved with school events to take pictures and get connected to the community in many ways. A challenge that our school has faced is not having a large amount of photos to choose for the yearbook. So as a way to remedy this, parents and students can submit photos they have taken and the photo could possibly make its way into the yearbook. I thought this would be a good way to have the yearbook made by the entire school community and individual students could feel more involved. You can contribute [on our website](#).

PASTOR LAYNE'S BLOG KEEP INFORMED

BUBBLE SOCCER! We bought them as a tool to continue to build community within CCS and as a way to deepen relationships and support the awesome youth groups connected to our school (youth groups will be able to rent these soon)! YOU can try them out at our ADULT TOURNAMENT on Friday, April 15, [details here](#).

Read [Pastor Layne's blog](#) to find out what is happening, including details about an upcoming marriage conference.

OPEN REGISTRATION CONTINUES ADMISSIONS @ CCS



[Learning Adventures Preschool](#) has room in the 4 year old class for 2016-17.

A **Secondary Open House** will take place on **Thursday, April 28** at 6:30 pm for those interested in middle and high school.

Know a student who may be interested in attending CCS? Please have them contact [Terri in Admissions](#) at 403.242.2896 ext. 312.

CHRISTIAN CREDIT UNION COMMUNITY BUILDER MORTGAGE CAMPAIGN



Give us an opportunity. Receive a competitive mortgage rate. We'll provide \$500 to your choice of church, school, or selected charity. In 2015 we donated \$12,000 to the Reformed Christian community! Contact a branch or visit www.christiancu.ca for more details. P. 780-426-7165 TF. 1-877-426-0506

VOLUNTEER WITH CCS MARATHON AID STATION



Adults and children are invited to cheer and hand out water at the CCS Aid Station at the Calgary Marathon on Sunday, May 29. Join the CCS community and show your Calgary spirit! More details and to volunteer [here on the SIGNUP](#) page.

MARIT CUP NEWS MARKIN MCPHAIL ARENA

The 4th Annual Marit Cup hockey game took place on Tuesday, March 22. It was an amazing day that promoted organ donation, community-building and making a difference in our world! We were honoured to not only have Marit's family and the David Foster Foundation attend, but also Mark Klassen who was the recipient of Marit's pancreas and kidney! It was a touching moment to hear Mark's story and watch him drop the puck to start the game. Thank you to our amazing students and staff for organizing and participating in the unique event! Congratulations to the teachers who won against the student team 4-1. You can read more about our event in the [Calgary Herald](#).



PARENTS WHO PRAY INVITE YOU

Our volunteer Parent-run group "[Parents Who Pray](#)" invite you to join them for an evening of prayer and worship for parents from all Christian Schools in the greater Calgary area. Focusing on our students, leadership, and families with a call to action in response to Bill 10 legislation. Wednesday, April 13 at 7pm at Eastside City Church. *childcare will be available for children 3 years old and younger.



*Christian schools joining together
in prayer and worship*

*How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!
Psalms 133:1-5*

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFO

ELEMENTARY CAMPUS HOT LUNCH

NOTICE FOR APRIL 13



Please note the hot lunch on Wednesday, April 13 will be pre-ordered pizza, not hotdogs. There is still time to [order here](#), until April 6 with our online system.

TEACHING FOR TRANSFORMATION

FAITH FORMATION

The throughline at the Elementary Campus for the month of April is **Earth-Keeping**. "And God saw everything that he had made, it and it was very good" (Genesis 1:31). God calls us to take care of his creation and to manage it on his behalf. This is an amazing, incredible and daunting task! Our sin can easily make it difficult for us to see the role God has asked us to play. Loud voices from culture shout "stuff equals happiness" or "Whoever has the most toys wins!" When we return from Spring Break, students will learn in their classrooms how to reclaim the world and relearn how to treat all things in it with respect. We will learn how to balance our wants and needs. Over the next two weeks, we encourage you to talk about this within your family! We also have an online resource available for your [family devotions](#).



EASTER CONCERT

BETHANY CHAPEL

The Div 2 students shared their talent of singing, ukulele and recorder at the performance on March 23. Thank you for all the hard work of learning new songs, practicing and remembering the words. Well done students. Also a thank you to the staff involved in planning the concert.

SECONDARY SCHOOL INFO

SECONDARY CAREER NOTES

FROM MRS. FOSTER

The Youth Hiring Fair for youth ages 15-24 takes place during spring break. Meet with a variety of different employers representing a wide range of industries who are looking to hire part-time, full-time, and seasonal employees. Bring your resumes, dress to impress, and be prepared for on-the-spot interviews. View a list of employers participating in the 2016 Hiring Fair at goo.gl/RIGJ8d.

When: 1:30pm to 6:00pm Tuesday April 5th, 2016

Where: Big Four, Stampede Park

Cost: FREE

HYRS summer research opportunity - The Heritage Youth Researcher Summer program is designed for motivated Grade 11 students to gain first-hand experience with biomedical and health research, and to introduce them to career opportunities in research. Click [here](#) for more info.

Youth Ambassadors exchange program in the US (July 18-Aug. 7, 2016). Open to Canadian students ages 15-18 with at least 4 months of high school remaining. There is no cost to apply or participate. Details are at www.plattsburgh.edu/cesca/youthleadership.php.

Nelson Civic Leadership Scholarships support community-minded student leaders in achieving their educational goals. Three \$5000 scholarships will be awarded to students who have demonstrated academic success, personal strength, and determination in their commitment to civic engagement and leadership. Details at <http://www.nelson.com/scholarship/>. Apply before June 1, 2016.

Check out Mrs. Foster's [Career and Academic Counselling](#) page on our website.