



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ CCS

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY MUSIC @ CCS



Recently our choirs and bands participated in a musical festival where they performed their pieces and were adjudicated by judges. Thanks to our directors and students for their hard work! Music is a beautiful gift.

Elementary Choir (Grade 3-6)

Received a "Silver" rating at Choralfest



8/9 Band

Received an "Excellent" rating at the AIBF band festival

Senior Band

Received an "Excellent" rating" at the AIBF band festival

7 Band

Received a "fair" rating at the AIBF band festival

Senior Choir

Received "Gold and Platinum" ratings at Choralfest

MS Choir

Received a "Silver" rating at Choralfest

ELECTRIC STOVE NEEDED COULD YOU DONATE?

One of the stoves in the kitchen at the Elementary Campus is in need of replacing. If you have an electric stove in good working order or even a new stove that you are willing to donate please contact Keith Ernter by calling the school or emailing info@calgarychristianschool.com

ROBOTICS COMPETITION ROBOKAOS



Our RoboKaos team would like to thank everyone who helped with our bottle drive last week. We would like to invite everyone to come out, watch and support our team at [the FIRST Robotics Western Regional](#) competition on Friday April 7 & Saturday April 8 at the Olympic Oval. Free admission (but pay parking). We would also like to extend the invitation to any interested grade 8 & 9's to join us in the pit area, hang out with the team and to learn firsthand what we're all about. The pit area is also open to the general public so come pay us a visit!

DINNER AND AUCTION FUNDRAISER MAHALO!



This year's fundraiser surpassed our goal raising over \$31,000! Thank you to all those who came out to support and to those that donated items, cash or volunteered. We had a fun evening including great food, conversation, competitive bidding and even some hula dancing. Follow [this link](#) to see photo gallery from the event.

ALUMNI LEAD CLASS CHEM 30



Former CCS students Julius and Angelo, who both study nano science and technology at Ambrose, came in last week to teach the Chemistry 30 class as part of their outreach program. Thanks for sharing with us a presentation on what nano science is and how it's one of the leading sciences right now as well as giving some cool chemistry demos.

NEED A BREAK FROM COOKING? GR.12 GRAD FUNDRAISER



In order to help with the costs of planning and organizing such a huge event, we are asking each graduate to help us with some fundraising. This year CCS is teaming up with Panago Pizza to participate in their *What Goes Around Comes Around* program. Grade 12 students (and the school) will be selling these Panago pizza certificates for \$12 each and this coupon entitles the bearer to a medium pizza of their choice. You can use as many as you like when you order and these coupons are accepted at all Panago locations. The great thing about this program is that \$4 from each certificate sold is returned to the school. You get their phenomenal pizza and we raise money for graduation!

SUPPORT SECONDARY MUSIC PROGRAM PLANT SALE



Make your planters and gardens beautiful. Our annual Spring Plant sale is on now! Supplied by same greenhouses as last year, Central Alberta Greenhouses. Orders are due in the Business Office (at the Secondary campus) by April 18. Click on [this link for the order form.](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR UPCOMING EVENTS

Society Meeting - May 16

New this year! **Grade 6 Celebration** will be on June 27 at 7pm at Emmanuel Church. More details to come.

SAVE THE DATE! 23rd Annual GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 16, 2017

the Links of GlenEagles



Raising money for
 CCS athletics.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFO

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

THANKS!

Please consider assisting our students with their Provincial Achievement Tests by volunteering to read and/or scribe. *This would be a morning starting at 9:00 am and the commitment could last from 1-3 hours depending on the exam.* [SIGNUP HERE.](#)

Dates for the Elementary Campus are:

May 11: Gr. 6 LA Part A , June 19: Gr. 6 LA Part B , June 20: Gr. 6 Math, June 22: Gr.6 Social, June 23:Gr.6 Science

Would you be able to support our running club on Tuesdays in May? [Details and Sign Up here.](#)

Our hotdog program is ongoing on Wednesdays and we could use more volunteers in April and May. [Date and times here.](#)

PYSANKY EGGS

WHAT DO THEY SAY?



Each egg is covered with symbols representing Christ's great gift of love for us. Be sure to ask a grade three student about the story the pysanky egg tells.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: APRIL 21—ES SUPER HERO DAY



SECONDARY SCHOOL INFO

(VICE) PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

MRS. VIENNEAU

Over the past few weeks, Pastor Layne has been encouraging students and staff to reflect on what **Easter** means to each of us. As I partake in these discussions, one thing that comes to mind is how Easter is an opportunity to celebrate life's new beginnings. Only because Christ paid the ultimate sacrifice on the cross, can we begin to envision a new, eternal life in heaven. Our sins are forgiven and we are graced with a new beginning.

The idea of new life is evident all over the secondary campus with spring in the air and spring break on the horizon. The **HS Student Council**, led by Ms. Monson and Pastor Layne, have been working hard to encourage our school community to **GIVE LIFE**. In the weeks leading up to the **Marit Cup**, this amazing team of individuals planned devotionals, created an organ donation campaign contest to encourage discussions at home, and helped increase awareness of how we can all step in to help GIVE LIFE to those around us in need.

Our vibrant fine arts program is currently in the midst of its busiest season as well. Maybe it was the music of the Renaissance period performed live in the hallways during Social 8 that caught your attention, or one of our many bands and choirs performing at festivals, or even our musical production of **"Yo, Vikings!"** From the painting of sets, staging of actors, to the daily rehearsals, we have Mrs.

2ND ANNUAL FLOOR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT WITH GUEST OLYMPIANS



The 2nd Annual CCES Floor Hockey Tournament was a giant success on many levels. Our school hosted 5 other schools from the larger community and had the incredible opportunity to be inspired by "the fastest woman on ice" Olympian, [Catriona Le May Doan](#). Students got to cheer on all visiting teams and many heard from USA Olympic bobsledder, [Steve Mesler](#) and CCS' own Kootney Ice Player, Jake Elmer. The top three medal finishers were Glenmore Christian Academy (gold), Rundle College (silver), and CCES who took home the bronze. Stay tuned for our donation total that will be given to Winsport and more detailed stories from our Junior Reporters.

LEGO SHOWCASE

ALL STUDENTS



Lego showcase – the date has been set! Mark **Friday, May 12** on your calendar - Students ready, set, build! We will be looking for volunteers closer to the date so stay tuned. Kids, Spring break is a great time to start building your creations! Build your own creation or follow a set instruction book – both accepted for display in this showcase.

Reitsma, Ms. Delaney, and Mr. Vanderwoude, alongside the numerous students from Grades 7-12, to thank for their time and dedication to making these programs thrive.

Our **sports program** is also entering a new phase. A very busy and successful season of basketball has come to a close and badminton is now taking center stage. Our athletic directors, Mr. Francisco and Mr. Jonker, alongside a number coaches and teacher sponsors will be busy building the skills of our students and getting them ready to compete.

We are blessed to have such a passionate, committed community that helps to bring new life to our school each and every day. As we head into our spring break, take a moment to pray for Mr. Bonk and **our Belize team** as they head out to serve. They will be away from April 1 - 12. Please pray for safety for this team. Pray that their lives will be changed just as they help change the lives of those around them. Pray that their faith will grow stronger through this experience and they will become alive in Christ. This **spring break** is a chance for rejuvenation, an opportunity to get out and enjoy God's amazing creation. I encourage everyone to make Christ the center of their celebrations this Easter season, remembering the ultimate sacrifice that allows us to have this new life in Him.

"This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24

SECONDARY SCHOOL INFO

LEARNING EVERYWHERE

IN THE CITY

7B's field trip to downtown Calgary on March 22 for the unit *Structures and Forces* Calgary Bridge Tour was great fun. The kids learned many things about Calgary's iconic bridges across the Bow River!



LEARNING TO DRIVE?

AMA OFFER



CCS is partnering with the AMA to offer a 5% discount to their Driver's Training program. Find [details here](#).

BASKETBALL SUCCESS

SEASON OVERVIEW



Grade 9 Boys - Had a slow start to their season, but finished the year winning their last four games of the regular season and narrowly missed the playoffs by one position. A big thank you to their dedicated coaches - Alumni - Trent O, Cameron D and Randall H.

Grade 9 Girls - Were very competitive all season and finished off with a 4-7 record. They greatly improved throughout and challenged the eventual champions TCS by losing a very close game on the semi-finals. A big thank you to Stephanie L and assistants Kate L and Aden W.

Grade 8 Boys - Won the Grade 9 Tier two CISAA Championships and went undefeated in league play. Thanks to Lisa K and Mark J for coaching.

Grade 8 Girls - Won the CISAA Tier 1 Grade 8 Championships and also went undefeated in league play! Thanks to Elaine B and Chris R and HS helper Alianna G.

Grade 7 Boys - Had many close games and steadily improved throughout the season. Finished with Silver - they ended up losing the Gold medal city final by one point free throw with no time remaining in the game. A super exciting finish. Thanks to Richard W, Mark R and Dennis V.

Grade 7 Girls - Ended the year by winning Bronze at city finals. They also won gold at the CCS invitational. Big thanks to Kim V, Dave V and HS helper Noelle K.

It truly has been an amazing season of **High School** basketball and all of it would not have been possible without our dedicated, committed and enthusiastic coaches, assistant coaches, teacher sponsors and support staff. A huge **THANK YOU** to all of the following people responsible for the success and character development of the players here at CCHS! Read more about our season [HERE on our website](#).

JV Boys – Coach: Jesse R, Sponsor - Zaak Robichaud

Varsity Girls – Coaches: Chris T & Marvin G, Assistant Coach - Sara W, Sponsor- Dionne Simmonds

Varsity Boys – Coaches: Phil Bonk, Dan J, Assistant Coach: Matt B



MORE THAN JUST A HOCKEY GAME

MARIT CUP

Yet again, Calgary Christian School's annual Marit Cup was a huge success. On March 28 at Winsport's Markin MacPhail Arena, hundreds of students gathered to cheer on and support the teachers and students of CCS as they battled it out in a thrilling game of hockey. For the fifth year in a row, CCS has organized this event in memory of Marit McKenzie and for the David Foster Foundation. As an organ donor herself, Marit was very passionate about organ donations, and her legacy continues to inspire the students and staff of CCS to raise awareness for this cause. This year we were blessed to have Tanner Fitzpatrick, recipient of Marit's heart, play alongside our own students and teachers. Mark, who received Marit's pancreas and kidney, was also in attendance. After many stirring and inspiring speeches, Mark and Tanner dropped the puck, officially kicking off the 2017 Marit Cup. The skilled players, made it a suspenseful game filled with high energy and anticipation. After two riveting halves, and a fantastic half time performance, the teachers took the win with a final score of 5-2. However, the *real* win was the opportunity to **increase awareness for organ donations** and continue to spread Marit's message. Tanner and Mark are living proof of the impact that one organ donor can have on the lives of many. This year, CCS is proud to announce that **80 new organ donors** have now been registered. A huge thanks to all the players, organizers, fundraisers and supporters who all contributed to making the year another success. See you next year! [SEE MEDIA COVERAGE OF MARIT CUP HERE](#)

BELIZE 2017 IS HERE

MISSION TRIP

This year's trip consists of 31 people (students and chaperones) who are very excited to continue building our partnerships in Belize. We leave April 1 and return on April 12. The trip this year will consist of two building projects; a large one at YWAM which we have been partnering on for the past eight years and a smaller project at the school, building a fence. We will also be helping out at the YWAM base doing all kinds of cleanup, painting and any odd jobs that help them out to continue their ministry in Belize. During our week we will also be at the school teaching English and Math, running fun activities, games and a basketball camp with the local community. Another opportunity will be half of our team spending a day at a children's home helping with some maintenance on their property and having an opportunity to run after school activities with the kids. Please pray for day to day safety in all of our activities and also pray that we will continue to build and strengthen previous relationships and to make new ones. Thank you for the many years of prayerful and financial support as we look forward to our 11th trip! Blessings, Phil Bonk & Team