

Calgary Christian Elementary School Council Meeting

March 2, 2023

9:30 am - 10:30 am

1. WELCOME & OPENING DEVOTION

Introductions
Opening Prayer

2. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Daniel Magnan

Celebrations:

- Chapel: Every class will have the opportunity to lead and share a performance during this school year. This allows for student ownership and involvement within School Chapel.
- Grade 6 math projects: These projects were extensive yet awesome. A math fair was held where parents/classes/teachers were able to view and celebrate the learning of our Grade 6 students.
- Diversity PD in December with Guest Speaker, Tina Gaines, which allowed staff the opportunity to enhance diversity understanding with practical means for implementation.
- Random Acts of Kindness week was a wonderful time for children and staff to put kindness into practice.
- The Grade 6 Basketball tournament was held at Clearwater School; allowed for our Grade 6 students to prepare for future basketball tryouts in grade 7 and ongoing athletic development.
- Field trips: There have been many new opportunities for all grade levels to engage in Field trips.

Upcoming Events:

- Spring Break (March 24 to April 10)
- Floor hockey tournament (March 9, 2023)
- April 19: Easter concert -Div 1

Calendar:

- Similar to this year regarding important dates and days off
- School start date proposed as September 5, 2023 (after the Labor Day long weekend)
- Last day of school is June 26
- Can access guidelines for developing the calendar at this link:
<https://www.pallisersd.ab.ca/board-of-trustees/procedures/55528>
- Once approved, the calendar will be available on the website.
- Proposed dates include:
 - Feb 18 to 24 – February break
 - March 22 to April 7 – Spring break

- Dec 22 to Jan 8 -Holiday break
- Last day of school as June 27

3. GUEST SPEAKER: Family School Liaison Counselor Kelly Schmaltz - School Counselor

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Availability

- Monday/Wednesday/Friday @Secondary
- Tuesday/Thursday @ Elementary

Services Offered

- Individual counselling
- Group interventions
- Classroom presentations
- Consultation
- Referrals to outside resources

How To Refer:

- Contact your child's teacher and ask about a referral.
- Once referral form is received, an intake meeting is scheduled by FSLC.
- 18 or older can self-refer without parental consent.
- Students (under 18) may drop in without parent consent a few times but parent consent will be required after three visits or if it becomes evident that goal directed counselling is in order.

4. SCHOOL COUNCIL ITEMS

Soccer - Jill Faber: CCES Spring Soccer program.

- Grades 1 to 6
- Friday after school from 1-2 pm. Dates will be April 28 to June 16 (exception of May 19)
- Volunteers are needed and appreciated (coach, set-up, clean-up)
- Approx 45 dollars per family, money goes into hockey/soccer program pool to purchase equipment and rent spaces to continue to run these programs.
- An email will go out next week with registration happening soon; capacity for 30 kids per grade
- Still figuring out field access due to construction (may need to find a new location for Grades 5-6)

Questions from Parents

- Food days: Is it possible to add healthier options? Potentially look to "Healthy Hunger"

or other alternatives for cold food options, Gluten Free, and/or a salad option. Parents who would like to explore these options and determine feasibility are encouraged to create a working group. If you are interested in being part of this working group, please contact the School Council.

- Note: There is a Parent Education session on March 9 in the evening (7-9 pm) called "Steps Towards Reconciliation," with all parents welcome! Please RSVP! More events in the CCS calendar including April's blanket exercises for students.

4. CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT