

CCS COMMUNITY Compass



Welcome to the CCS COMMUNITY COMPASS

Our purpose is to share stories and experiences about staff and students, letting parents and caregivers know what is taking place at CCS! Do you have suggestions for what you would like to see covered in this publication? Email us at info@calgarychristianschool.com

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PAPER BAG *Philanthropy*

Grade Four Students recently partnered with a local organization to ensure that students in Calgary do not go without school lunches. [View this article](#) for more about their project.

Mental Health Matters:

An exciting new resource has been developed at the Secondary campus. [Click here to read about The WELL](#). You'll also find information and many suggested Parent and Student supports from our Family School Liaison Councillor, Kelly Schmaltz, and Making Connections Worker, Leah Ekubazgi.

Introducing:

Get to know two families who have joined the CCS community for the 2022/2023 school year. [Click their images to read a fun interview!](#)

The Ngugi Family



The Valdivia-Peralta Family



Cougars Champs!

Overcoming many player injuries through the season, the CCS Varsity Girls Basketball team managed to prevail and win the championship banner for their league, earning a berth at ASAA 2A provincials in High Level, Alberta. The team departed Calgary on Wednesday, March 15 in the morning to make the long drive. Winning their first game on Friday sent CCS into the semi-finals against second seed, Glenmary Saints. Unfortunately they were bested in a hard-fought game which landed the Cougars in the Bronze medal game on Saturday evening. The girls triumphed and won the third place spot in Alberta! **High Five, Cougars!**

More than Hockey

The Elementary campus was electric on March 9th, the day of our annual CCS Inter-School Floor Hockey Tournament. Classes headed to the gym to cheer for not only their Grade 6 counterparts but the other schools as well, often chanting and holding up hand-made signs for the visiting teams. This was a special day for everyone involved and a culmination of so much effort from the students, players, and organizers. [Watch this recap video](#) to check out some of the fun!

ccs creative arts

The 2022/23 school year has been an exciting time for Secondary Students interested in drama and theatre-based pursuits! In January, some of our students were inducted into the International Thespian Society and recognized for their hours completed in Drama. Third Thursday is ongoing and is an opportunity for students to showcase a variety of performing arts skills. The next TT, on April 20, is a very special Jazz Night hosted by the Improv Team! [Get your tickets here](#) for this exclusive event! Students from Grades 10-12 are headed to Rosebud Theatre this May to take part in the [ACSI Drama Xchange](#).

NUMBERS IN CONTEXT

Math teachers will sometimes hear "why are we learning this?" or "when will we ACTUALLY use this in our real lives?". Grade 7 Math Students had the chance to hear from some professionals that use numbers in their fields, both in math-based and non-math based careers. Thank you to [these Partners in Learning](#) for sharing their time and wisdom.

Elementary Lego Showcase

An excellent Spring Break activity (especially for those less "spring-like" days) for Elementary Students is building a submission for the annual CCS Elementary Lego Showcase! Sets or free-built creations, inspired by books or movies are both permitted.



Looking Back & Moving Forward

Many Christians wonder, what is Jesus' path to truth and reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbours? Most non-Indigenous Canadians were not there when treaties were broken, how can we, together, move forward in a meaningful way? CCS is continually working toward implementing the CSCE Board approved recommendations for Celebrating Racial Diversity at our school. For a recap on guest speaker, Holly Fortier's, session and invitation to family-friendly Blanket Exercises this April, [click here](#).



Upcoming Events @ CCS Secondary

April 20: Dinner and Jazz Night, hosted by our Theatre Improv Club

May 24-25: Secondary Celebration of Learning

June 27: Gr. 12 Graduation Ceremony 2:00pm



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