

# **Society News + School Wide**

#### **Important Dates & Information:**

**Oct 3**: Family Q&A with our National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Speakers - 7pm at the high school. Please RSVP and ask your questions <u>here</u>.

**Oct 4**: Wear orange to school! National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Assemblies @ Emmanuel Church (Parents & Guardians are welcome to attend all assemblies and chapels):

Grade 9-12: 8:45am - 9:45am - Dr. Craig Ginn (UCalgary)

K-Grade 4: 10:00am - 11:00am - Adrian Jacobs

Grade 5-8: 11:30am - 12:30pm - Adrian Jacobs

Oct 22: Family Prayer Night

Nov 14: Celebrating Cultural Diversity Family Night: 6-8pm @ our Secondary School

**Message from the Board of Directors:** A message from the CSCE Board of Directors: The Board of Directors are thrilled to announce that the job listing for the interim Executive Director is now live. They are extremely excited to get this process started and find the perfect fit and are appreciative of the continued support as they move forward in this direction.

Please view this <u>link</u> for a video update from the CSCE Board of Directors.

**Photo Retakes** will take place on October 16, 2024 at both the Elementary and Secondary campuses. Elementary retakes require registration, visit <u>this link</u> to complete the form.

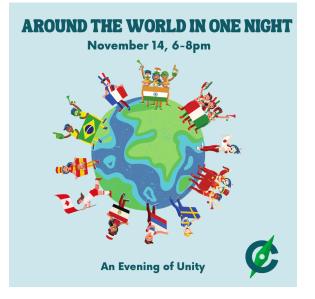
**Prayer Team:** If you can, please join other parents and staff every Tuesday at 8:35 - 9:15 am at the Secondary Campus.

**Parent Opportunity - Love Your Neighbour Initiative:** Each Tuesday, we send students to a local Elementary School to volunteer. That school is in need of additional field trip volunteers. If you have time to help, and a completed CCS police check, please email Pastor Layne for more details. The next trips that require more supervision are October 22 and 23. \**Also, if you would like to chaperone our students to this school on Tuesdays from 11:45 - 12:50, please email Pastor Layne.* 

**Orange Shirts**: Deadline extended as CCS will observe Orange Shirt to School on Oct 4. Until October 2nd, CCS Orange Shirts are available via Hot Lunches. The shirts feature artwork, used with permission, from Indigenous artist Michelle Stoney. Full proceeds from the shirts will again be donated to the Legacy of Hope Foundation.

**Around the World in One Night:** CCS families, you are invited to "Around the World in One Night" on November 14 in the Secondary Gym. We all have a culture and we're asking you to share yours with the CCS Community! Do you have a cultural dance to share, traditional clothing you'd like to display, maybe photos showing your heritage, or favourite cultural foods people

could try? We'd love to hear from you! Use this <u>link</u> to sign up to share and/or to attend. If you have a question, please email <u>Niki Brandsma</u> or <u>Leona Schaap</u>. We're excited to share, learn together, and celebrate the cultural diversity at Calgary Christian School.



#### **Pre School News**

**Welcome Back** - Learning Adventures Preschool is underway and we offer ongoing registration. We are reminding everyone of our "Refer a Friend Program" to our preschool. If you refer a family to our program, who register you will receive a \$200.00 gift card, just in time for Christmas. If you have any questions call Susan at 403-242-2896, ext. 2152 or visit our <u>website</u> for more information.

## **Elementary News**

**ES Lunch Program Reminder:** Please remember to always read the "CCS Lunch Program Reminder" email that arrives in your inbox each Monday morning to confirm that you have ordered lunch that week for your child(ren). If there are no orders listed, please make sure that you send a lunch with your child(ren).

**ES Lunch Program Volunteers Needed:** All dates for volunteering for the Elementary Lunch Program from September-January have been added to <u>SignUpGenius</u>. We cannot run this program without your help, so please sign up today! A police clearance is **not required** for this volunteer position, however, it is appreciated. ONE MORE VOLUNTEER is needed for **tomorrow** and TWO MORE VOLUNTEERS are needed for **Thursday**. Please sign up today! If we do not get enough volunteers each week, we may have to cancel those lunches. All funds raised from our lunch program go towards special events such as "Alien In-Line Skating" and "SoundKreations". The funds are also used to purchase items such as our Gaga Ball Pit and outdoor recess equipment.

**ES Chapel:** It is a K-6 Chapel on Thursday, October 3rd. Grade 1W is leading. Parents are welcome to attend.

**ES Library:** We are holding a used book sale during Literacy Week to raise money for new books for the library. If you have any Kindergarten-Grade 6 books in good condition that you would like to donate, could you please bring them to the Elementary library at morning drop-off or after school pickup? It would be greatly appreciated! Donations will be accepted until November 21st.

**Student Recorders:** Grades 4 & 5 will be learning to play the recorder in the spring. All students are required to have their own "German fingering" recorder. If a recorder is needed, please pay \$11.00 at the office and your student will receive it prior to starting the recorder in the spring. If finances are an issue, please reach out to <u>Mrs. O'Brien</u>.

**Elementary Choir Club** starts next week. The choir is open to students in Grades 3-6, and will meet on Tuesdays after school with a performance at the Remembrance Day Chapel on November 7th. More details can be found on the sign-up sheet. The sheet will close once the choir is full. Sign up <u>here</u>!

## **Secondary News**

#### **Important Dates and Information:**

**Oct 3:** Family Q&A Evening with our National Day for Truth 7 Reconciliation Speakers **Oct 4:** Orange Shirt Day

- Oct 4: Orange Snirt Day
- Oct 10: Parent/Teacher Interviews
- **Oct 17:** Grade 9's to the Mustard Seed for "A Day in the Life" (email to parents coming soon) Calgary Prayer Breakfast (students from Grade 6-12 attending with chaperones)
- **Nov 14:** Around the World in One Night
- Feb 11 & 12: Grad Photos (grade 12's save the date, more info to follow!)

**Friday Morning Hockey** starts this Friday, October 4, at 6:45am across our street at Optimist Arena. This opportunity is available to graded 8-12 students to start. If you're a CCS parent/guardian and want to join us, you're welcome to come as well. Interested adults need to send \$100 to <u>accountsoffice@calgarychristianschool.com</u> with a note that includes your name along with Friday Morning Hockey. Kids skate for free.

**Calgary Leadership Prayer Breakfast:** We are able to take twelve students to the annual prayer breakfast on Thursday, October 17th. If your child is interested in attending please have them email or talk to <u>Ms. Springer</u> by Monday Oct. 7th. The event is from 7am to 9am at the BMO Centre. If you would also like to attend, you can register online at <u>eventbrite</u>.

**Staff Appreciation:** Parent Council has arranged an opportunity to bless CCS Secondary staff on October 3 ahead of National Teacher day on October 5, 2024. They have created a signup for anyone interested in participating <u>found here.</u>

**Senior Night:** We look forward to hosting our Grade 12 students and their parents for an evening of information sharing and fellowship on October 10th @ 7:00-8:00. The evening will include a general information session about graduation celebrations, Senior Project, and graduation requirements.

**Cougars Athletics WarmUps:** Dri-fit warmup order deadline is 5pm TONIGHT, Tuesday October 1. The shirts come in short or long sleeves, in a variety of cuts and make excellent warmups for our volleyball and basketball players to wear at practices, workouts and during game warm ups but are available for anyone to purchase! Visit the athletics page of our website, <u>here</u>, to place your order.

**Chef Chris:** The Secondary Cougar Bites Cafe hot lunch menu is <u>posted</u> and active with menus available up to December break... and stay tuned for some exciting new items that Chef Chris has in mind for daily walk up sales!

Missed previous weekly emails? Find them here: Weekly Email