



Society News + School Wide

Important Dates & Information:

Nov 14: Around the World in One Night: 6-8pm @ our Secondary School

Dec 6: CCS Christmas Movie Night @ our Elementary School (more info coming soon!)

Feb 15: Alumni Basketball, Pickleball and Volleyball Tournament (more info coming soon!)

Message from CSCE Board: Please take a moment to view the video update below from the CSCE Board of Directors

October Board Highlights.

Prayer Team: If you can, please join other parents and staff every Tuesday at 8:30 - 9:15 am at the Secondary Campus.

Around the World in One Night: We all have culture - let's come together to learn, share and celebrate! At this time a few families have signed up to take part but we would like everyone to partake in this special evening. Nothing is too big or small to share... Do you have a cultural dance to share, perhaps a home language lesson, traditional clothing you'd like to display, maybe photos or other artifacts showing your heritage, or special cultural foods that 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 an idea for us or a question, please email <u>Niki Brandsma</u> or <u>Leona Schaap</u>. We're excited to unite to celebrate the cultural diversity at Calgary Christian School on November 14!



Parent Opportunity - Love Your Neighbour Initiative: Each Tuesday, we send students to a local Elementary School to volunteer. If you would like to chaperone our students to this school on Tuesdays from 11:45 - 12:50, please email Pastor Layne. That school is also 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, this school is asking for **mittens for grade k-6 students**. If you have extra or can buy another pair to donate, please drop them off at our office or with your child's teacher.

Student Banking: Did you know that CCS partners with the Christian Credit Union as part of their Student Banking Program? Visit our <u>website</u> to learn about the incentives offered to account holders and how to open an account. Upcoming banking deposit days: October 16 & 23, November 6 & 13.

Pre School News

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 and they 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 for more information.

Elementary News

Grade 6 Patrols & Traffic Safety: Our amazing Grade 6 Student Patrols started this week! Please help keep them and all our children safe by adhering to both traffic and pedestrian safety rules. Also, as we work to maintain healthy relationships in our community, we ask that you please refrain from parking in front of the driveways of our neighbors. Thank you!

Grade 6 Parents & Guardians - If they haven't already, please help your student fill out this <u>form</u> to debrief their experience at the Mustard Seed, and make it even better next year!

ES Lost and Found: The lost and found is overflowing. It has been placed on tables in the hallway outside the Elementary Office. Please take a look the next time you are in the school.

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 lunch with your child(ren).

Elementary School Council: Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 30, 2024 @ 6pm at the Elementary Campus.

■ CCS School Council Agenda - October 30.docx

Outcome Based Assessment

New Report Card format and dates, and new parent/teacher interview dates! Click <u>here</u> for more information.

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. Please sign up today! If we do not get enough volunteers each week, we may have to cancel lunches. Currently the following dates still need volunteers: Oct 30, November 6 and 20, December 4, 12, and 18, January 8, 9, 15, 22, and 29. 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 Friday Hockey: Registration Opens Nov 1 at 7:00am. Click here-for more information and to register.

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 21.

Afterschool Basketball: We are excited to share that CCES will again be offering an after-school basketball program for fifth and sixth-grade students. Our primary goal is to provide a fun and active environment where kids can enjoy themselves while learning and/or improving basketball basic fundamentals. We are eager to see young athletes gather and take part in this fantastic opportunity to enhance their skills, stay active, and have a blast playing basketball. Join us for some basketball fun!

We are hoping to offer two sessions. One now and another in the spring. Based on previous numbers, it is likely that students will have to choose one or the other.

Sign up <u>here</u>!

Secondary News

Important Dates and Information:

Feb 11 & 12: Grad Photos (more info coming soon!)

Want to go to Argentina? Our <u>Palliser International Exchange Program</u> is looking for students interested in a 6-week exchange with a <u>school</u> in Buenos Aires, Argentina. This exciting

opportunity just came up as our Argentinian partner is looking to send students in late January 2025 for the first leg of the exchange. Our students will head to Argentina in mid-August and stay until the end of September. This means that students would be working on their class work virtually as they would not be back in Calgary until October. If you're interested in learning more about this possibility, please email Jadan Barthel [jadan.barthel@pallisersd.ab.ca] to get on the list!

Chapel: The Secondary Chapel will be held Thursday November 7th at 1:40pm at Emmanuel Church. This will be our Remembrance Day Chapel Service. If your child is in cadets, we would be honoured to have them a part of this service. Have them contact <u>Alison Springer</u> by Monday Nov. 4th.

Faith Club: This is a student led discipleship group for grade 9 to 12 s. This group meets in the Link on Wednesday's over lunch. The kick off is October 23. The students will be doing a 6 week series on **'Confidence in Christ'.** Please be in prayer for these students and encourage your child to check it out.

Chef Chris: We are Busy!! And we want to serve the students better! The Secondary Cougar Bites Cafe is looking for some regular committed assistance in daily snack sales and POS operation as with the hot lunch service.. This could be incorporated as part of the Student work program for Grades 10-12, with the opportunity to earn high school credits. If commercial/production kitchen operations interests you, please come see Chef for details!

NEW Parent Committee Required to gather around how to transition to outcome based assessment (OBA) in a collaborative, solutions focussed, way. If you're interested in contributing to our discussions around how we can forward with OBA so that we can all continue our working of supporting student learning, please join us. We will be meeting on November 4, at 6:30pm in the LINC at the secondary campus, to identify some areas of need and to work towards solutions. Come join us if you're interested in helping us out!

Outcome Based Assessment information can be found <u>here</u>. This document is meant to support anyone interested in learning more about what this practice is about. It is meant to be responsive to student/parent feedback and will be updated throughout the year.

Dual Credit information for semester two is now available at www.palliseroffcampus.ca. Applications are open and are due November 1.



Attention Families of Actors and Performing Artists: On November 7th, at 7-9pm in Room 004 Grade 8-12 students will be auditioning (with live adjudication) for a chance to go as one of the possible twenty students competing at Ambrose University on November 15th for the Southern Alberta Regional Drama STAR Festival hosted by the TAEA. This FREE event requires a reservation of a seat (or two) so please click through the referenced form here for more information and to hold your spot. RSVP - Audition or Audience

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