

## Society News + School Wide



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### Important Dates & Information:

**Dec 3-5:** Living Books (Christian Books) Sale at ES Library (3:15-4:00 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday and/or between 8:30-9:00 am on Wednesday & Thursday)

**Dec 6:** CCS Christmas Movie Night @ our Elementary School ([click here for tickets](#))

**Dec 10:** CCS Secondary Christmas Concerts

**Dec 16:** K-6 Christmas Concert at Foothills Alliance Church

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



**THE GRINCH**  
2018

**Family Movie Night**  
Calgary Christian School Elementary Campus

Doors Open 5:30pm  
Movie Begins at 6:30pm

concession games crafts

**CCS Christmas Movie Night - December 6:** We are thrilled to be hosting a movie night at our Elementary School on Dec 6! It is open to everyone who would like to come - so bring your friends! There will be a concession, photo booth, and more! Wear your Christmas pajamas, bring pillows, blankets or chairs for a cozy Christmas evening! Get your tickets [here](#). We could use a hand making this event a success, please consider volunteering using this [link](#).

**Extra! Extra! Read all about it!** Hot off the press! *Newsies the Musical* is comin' to town! Catch the action February 5th through 7th, 2025, 7 PM sharp at Emmanuel Church. Don't miss the scoop—tickets go on sale soon!

**Student Daily Devotions:** We have been fielding some questions about this. Click [here](#) to read what we do.

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

**Prayer Request:** Dear CCS Community, We are sharing this with Mr. Jonkers permission. As many of you will know, Mr. Jonker has been working with health concerns for a number of years. He is asking our community for our prayers. On Dec 11, he will undergo heart surgery to repair and replace his aortic and pulmonary valves. It is a significant surgery and he trusts that Jesus will protect him and guide the hands and minds of the medical professionals involved. If all goes well, and we anticipate it will, Mr. Jonker will be back in the gym and classroom in three to four months. You are welcome to send Mr. J encouraging emails and prayers, that he will be sure to read but might not respond to. CCS Community, please keep Mr. J and his family in your prayers, and his replacement who covers his classes while Mr. J is away.

**Student Banking:** Did you know that CCS partners with the Christian Credit Union as part of their Student Banking Program? Visit our [website](#) to learn about the incentives offered to account holders and how to open an account. Next deposit day is tomorrow!

**Navigating Technology with our Youth** is back by popular demand. This Community Education Service session has a new date and time, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30. For more details and info on how to register for this free virtual learning session, please click [here](#).

**Pre School News**

Learning Adventures Preschool still has spaces available in both 3 and 4 year old classes. We also want to remind 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 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

**Dec 3-6:** Literacy Week

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**Dec 5:** K-6 Chapel

**Dec 16:** K-6 Christmas Concert at Foothills Alliance Church

**Literacy Week ES Library Fundraiser:** From Dec 3-5, the library will be raising funds by hosting our annual **Living Books Christian Book Sale**, together with a Library Loonie & Toonie Sale. Parents are invited to attend between 3:15-4:00 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday and/or between 8:30-9:00 am on Wednesday & Thursday. View the Living Books website [here](#). More information is being emailed to you by your student’s homeroom teacher. We thank you in advance for supporting our fundraiser so we can purchase many more books for our students to enjoy in the library!



**CCS Elementary School Christmas Concert:** We are very excited to invite you to our much anticipated Elementary School Christmas Concert on Monday, December 16 at **Foothills Alliance Church (333 Edgepark Blvd NW)**. Please join us in a special evening where we can come together as a community to rejoice in the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. We need some help to prepare the church for the concert, please consider lending a hand [here](#).

**Important Details:**

Kindergarten - Grade 3 Concert: God Chose Us to Tell!

Concert start time: 6:20pm

Student arrival time: 6:00-6:10pm

Grade 4 - Grade 6 Concert: The Story

Concert start time: 7:20pm

Student arrival time: 7:00pm-7:10pm

*\*Students will meet teachers in the foyer, during their scheduled arrival times.*

*\*Concert Attire: Students are encouraged to wear their Sunday best with indoor shoes. Please, no logos, images, or words on clothes. Avoid heavy sweaters as the stage area gets warm.*

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

**Elementary Office Email:** Please use [info\\_cces@pallisersd.ab.ca](mailto:info_cces@pallisersd.ab.ca) for all absences, lates or early pickups, along with other questions etc.

**Emmanuel Church Parking Lot Unavailable on Friday** - On Friday, December 6th, the church parking lot will be unavailable for staff or parents to park in after 11:30 am. Please make other arrangements for student pickups.

**Outcome Based Assessment:** New Report Card format and dates, and new parent/teacher interview dates! Click [here](#) for more information.

**ES Lunch Feb-June Orders:** The February-June orders are now open for ordering on the [hotlunches.net](http://hotlunches.net) website.

**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).

**ES Lunch Program Volunteers Needed:** All dates for volunteering for the Elementary Lunch Program from September-January have been added to [SignUpGenius](#). 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. Currently the following dates still need volunteers: **Dec 4, Jan 9, 15, 22, and 29**. We have also opened up volunteer opportunities for the rest of the school year (February-June).

All funds raised from our lunch program go towards special events such as “Alien In-Line Skating”, “SoundKreations” and Author Visits during Literacy Week. The funds are also used to purchase items such as our Gaga Ball Pit and outdoor recess equipment.

## Secondary News

**Christmas** is coming which offers a tremendous opportunity to say thank you to the teachers and support staff that interact with your child every day! Consider contributing to a group gift to allow those you want to celebrate to experience group generosity! Instructions [here](#).

**Drop Off & Pick Up** could be happening in a more efficient manner. As you approach the school for pick up or drop off, we would like to see cars move as close to the West gym doors as possible - even if there is nobody behind you. Cars can come quickly and backups can occur if we don't use the entire lane. Also, if you see an open parking spot, please consider parking your car while you wait for your student as this supports our congestion issues as well. One should also remember to receive honks made in their direction as a kind reminder of the request above. Thanks!

**Chapel:** God is doing immeasurably more than we could imagine! Last Friday was our first Heart & Sound chapel. Students led in praise n' worship and shared deep heartfelt testimonies of gratitude to the Lord, for friendships, healing, commitments of Baptism, and more! As soon as the mic's were open, there was no delay, students testified non stop of what God was doing in their lives. Holy Spirit is speaking and doing an amazing work in the hearts of students. We went over time and we had to cut it off. Praise God! Join us for our next chapel service Thursday, December 19th.

**Faith Club:** This is a student led discipleship group for grade 9 to 12 students. This group meets in the LINC on Wednesday's over lunch. The students just completed their series on '**Confidence in Christ**'. A student commented on the wisdom of one of the leaders of the group. I concur. Students are getting great teaching, and supported with love. Students can flourish in their relationship with God by participating in this group. Club starts back **Dec. 4** with the new series 'Defeat it Like David'. Please be in prayer for these students and encourage your child to attend.

**Basketball season** is underway! Double check your practice times and locations [here](#) and visit the Athletics tab of our website for spiritwear purchases and more info!

**January 2025 Exam Schedule** can be found [here](#).

**Secondary School Council** will be meeting on Dec 5 at 7:00 pm in the LINC. We'll discuss important updates, upcoming events, and opportunities for parent involvement. Everyone is welcome – we hope to see you there! [[Agenda](#)]

**Chef Chris-Cougar Cafe:** January to February Break Menus are up and Active!! Be sure to get your orders in early so you don't forget over the holidays!!!! Service resumes on January 8 with the order cutoff being midnight on January 1 and each Wednesday at midnight or the following week.

**Outcome Based Assessment** information can be found [here](#). 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.

Missed previous weekly emails? Find them here: [Weekly Email](#)