

Dec 10, 2024



Learning Adventures  
PRESCHOOL

## Society News + School Wide

### Important Dates & Information:

**Today:** Secondary Christmas Concerts at the Secondary Gymnasium

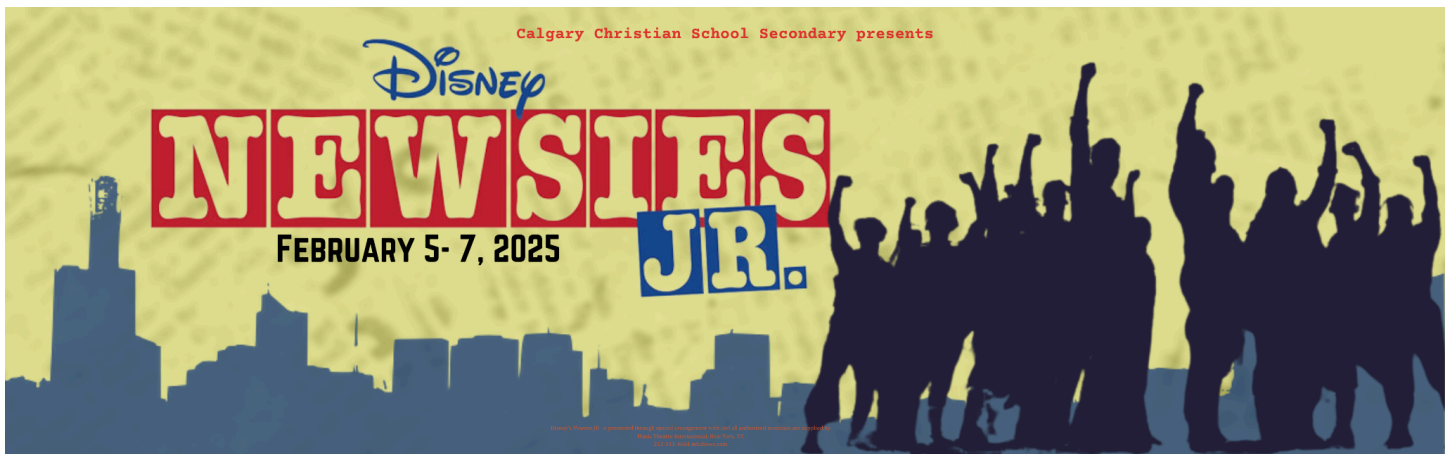
**Dec 16:** K-6 Christmas Concert at Foothills Alliance Church

**Jan 14:** Dr. Madigan on how to help your child manage stress and anxiety - 7pm Linc

**Feb 15:** Alumni Basketball, Pickleball and Volleyball Tournament

**Please fill out your re-enrollment form for the 2025/26 school year, if you have not done so!**

[CCS Family Re-enrollment Form 2025/26](#)



**Extra! Extra! Read all about it!** Hot off the press! *Newsies the Musical* is comin' to town! Catch the action February 5 through 7, 2025, 7 pm sharp at Emmanuel Church. [Tickets](#) are on sale now, don't miss out!

**Prayer Team:** Join other parents and staff every Tuesday at 8:30 - 9:15 am at the Secondary Campus. The prayer team is now fasting and praying for the school each Tuesday - watch here for ways you can participate in the New Year!

**Ordered plants for the Music Fundraiser?** You can pick them up TODAY after 2 pm or before or after the Secondary Christmas Concerts tonight or TOMORROW, Wednesday December 11, during school hours. Thank you again for your support!

**Spring Fundraising Event Planning Committee:** If you would be interested in supporting our school by taking part in a planning committee for our spring fundraising event, please contact Niki in the Development Office at [nbrandsma@calgarychristianschool.com](mailto:nbrandsma@calgarychristianschool.com). Thank you!

**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.

**Navigating Technology with our Youth** is back by popular demand. This Community Education Service session has a new date and time, tomorrow, 6pm-7:30 pm. 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!

Learning Adventures is launching a new full day program beginning in February. View [this](#) document for more information!

**Hiring:** Learning Adventures is now looking for a part time staff member to work from 8:00am-12:15pm Monday through Friday. They will be required to have their Early Childhood Education Level 1 (Child Development Aide). This person will be in charge of assisting the teacher in maintaining classroom atmosphere and policies, setup of the crafts, snacks and cleanup. They will be responsible to help create open communication with all parents, children and other colleagues in the program.

Send resumes to Susan at [sohman@calgarychristianschool.com](mailto:sohman@calgarychristianschool.com) by Monday, January 6, 2025. If you have any questions about the new program, or job posting, call Susan at 403-242-2896 ext. 2152 for more information.

## Elementary News

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



**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: 6:20 pm

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

Grade 4 - Grade 6 Concert: The Story

Concert start time: 7:20 pm

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

*\*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!

**Literacy Week Author Book Purchases:** We were blessed to have two authors visit us during Literacy Week, Yewande Daniel-Ayoade and Trina Rathgeber. Books by these authors are available to purchase as follows:

**Yewande Daniel-Ayoade:** [The Little Regent](#) (\$20), [What's the Worst that could Happen](#) (\$15) and [Sade: We're Moving to Canada](#) (\$15). These books are available to purchase in the Elementary Library until Thursday noon by cash, cheque payable to Yewande Daniel-Ayoade, or by e-transfer to [contact@ydaniel-ayoade.com](mailto:contact@ydaniel-ayoade.com).

**Trina Rathgeber:** [Lost at Windy River, A True Story of Survival](#) (currently \$18.15 on Amazon using this [link](#)).



**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. Please take note that this email is different than [info@calgarychristianschool.com](mailto:info@calgarychristianschool.com) that does not reach the ES office.

**ES Chapel:** It is a K-6 Chapel on Thursday, December 12. 6M & 2B are leading. Parents are welcome to attend.

**6SG FLEX Project:** On Friday, December 13, 6SG will be hosting a Christmas Snack Shack. There will be lots of fun snacks to purchase for a loonie or toonie including: Christmas candy bags, chips, and donut holes from Glamorgan Bakery. All proceeds to Ronald McDonald House Southern Alberta

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

**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).

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

**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:

**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!

**Save the date!** CCS Secondary Council is thrilled to welcome Dr. Sheri Madigan on Tuesday, January 14 at 7 pm in the LINC. Dr. Madigan will be sharing valuable insights on how to help your child manage stress and anxiety. This event is open to everyone, and we kindly ask that you [RSVP](#) to attend.

**HS Ski Trip:** Details [here](#)!

**Chapel:** Join us for our next chapel service Thursday, December 19th.

**NEW HIRE!** We are excited to welcome Jenya Rust to our team of education assistants.

*A note from Jenya: Hey! I'm really excited to join the team here at CCS! I recently moved to Calgary after spending the last five years working/teaching at an orphanage in Haiti. It's been fun living in a big city for the first time and discovering good coffee shops and other gems. I am excited to get better at cross country skiing this winter and build a community here!*

**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! Scorekeepers are needed for home games, students can [volunteer here](#).

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

**Chef Chris-Cougar Cafe:** Chef Chris will be away for the holidays after Tuesday next week. Miss Patricia will be here joyfully serving your students. Another reminder to get your January to February orders in 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](#)