

Jan 14, 2025



Learning Adventures  
PRESCHOOL

## Society News + School Wide

### Important Dates & Information:

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

**Feb 5-7:** Newsies Jr. (get tickets [here!](#))

**Feb 15:** Alumni Basketball, Pickleball and Volleyball Tournament (sign up [here](#) - deadline to sign up is Feb 1!)

**April 26:** Spring Fling



**Faith in Action:** We are excited to introduce our new fundraising campaign, Faith in Action! The aim of this campaign is to freeze CCS Program Fees indefinitely, ensuring families don't have to choose between their children's Christian education and financial stability. Your donations to Faith in Action will allow us not only to halt fee increases, but enhance every aspect of our Christ-centered educational environment. [Click here](#) to view information about this new campaign!

**Re-enrollment form for the 2025/26 school year [here!](#)** Parents, please note there is **one week** left to get your re-enrollment form in. Forms must be submitted by Monday, January 20, 2025. If you need any assistance, please reach out to Tammy, our Admissions Coordinator.

When re-enrolled, the 10% deposit will be automatically withdrawn from your account on February 1, 2025 if you have pre-authorized debit payments set up. If you have not, please drop off a cheque at the Business Office by the end of next week.

**Alumni Tournament:** Our Alumni Tournament will be taking place on February 15, 2025. There will be volleyball, basketball, and pickleball brackets. You are welcome to sign up for more than one sport. Whether you are a current staff, student, or parent, or a previous staff, student, or parent, you are invited to join in on the competitive fun! This will come up quickly after the break so if you are wanting to get signed up don't wait to claim your spot. For more information click [here](#). To sign up click [here](#) to sign up!

# Guest Speaker

Jan  
14th

Dr. Sheri Madigan



**Tonight** the CCS Secondary Council is thrilled to welcome Dr. Sheri Madigan at 7 pm in the LINC. ***Coping with Stress and Anxiety: Strategies for Kids and Families*** - 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.

**Save the Date:** Another beloved CCS event is back! This April, you are invited to the **CCS Spring Fling**, a special evening full of exquisite music and food to support our school. Mark **April 26, 2025** in your calendars and stay tuned for ticket information!

If you would be interested in supporting the 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) by Tuesday, January 21, 2025. Thank you!

**Bible Challenge:** Everyone is invited to join the "90 Days Closer: The Word Alive Adventure" challenge that our secondary students and staff are taking part in. The program begins officially on Wednesday, January 15 and is through the Bible App on your phone or tablet. Here is the [link](#) for students & staff. Parents and guardians who want to participate can use this [link](#).

**Farewell Mr. Sawy:** In December, Facility Care team member, Paul Sawy, retired following 13 years of service to CCS. Paul, or Mr. Sawy, was beloved especially by our Elementary students on whom he'd share blessings and his warm smile. Thank you, Paul, we will miss you! If you would like to share a note of thanks or farewell for Mr. Sawy, [visit this form](#). We will collect and add them to a collective card.

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**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! Also, today is the last day to order from the [apparel store](#) and receive your items prior to the show. (The store will remain open, but the next delivery date will be post-musical.)

**Prayer Team:** Join other parents and staff every Tuesday from 8:35 - 9:15 am - check in at the office.

**Pray & Fast:** We're inviting all parents & guardians to **Pray & Fast for CCS and join us on Tuesday mornings, in-person or Via Zoom.** The Bible passage we will pray over until next Tuesday is [Luke 10:25-37](#) - Love God and neighbour, eternal life, and the Good Samaritan. Click [here](#) for the schedule and details. Please pray for our student singing worship - happening **each Monday at lunch.**

**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. **Tomorrow** is deposit day!

## 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.**

Learning Adventures is launching a new full day program beginning in February. View [this](#) document for more information! If you have any questions about the new program, call Susan at 403-242-2896 ext. 2152 for more information.

## Elementary News

**ES Chapel:** K-6 Chapel on Thursday January 16th will be led by 3M.

**School Council:** Please join us at our next parent/school council meeting on **January 23 at 6pm.** For more information about the School Council and to contact the chairs, click [here!](#)

**ES School Spirit Day:** Moustache Day on Friday, January 17th (Draw, glue, or GROW your own moustache!)

**Report Cards:** Parents need Edsby access in order to view report cards. Please stay tuned for another email with further instructions. Details for logging into Edsby can also be found [here](#). As a reminder, click [here](#) for more information regarding outcome-based reporting.

**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](#) website.

**ES Lunch Program Volunteers Needed: Two more volunteers are needed** for tomorrow's hot dog day on January 15th. Please sign up today as we don't want to have to cancel lunch days due to the lack of volunteers. Thanks!

All dates for volunteering for the Elementary Lunch Program for the rest of the school year 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. The following dates still need volunteers for January: **Jan 22, and 29.**

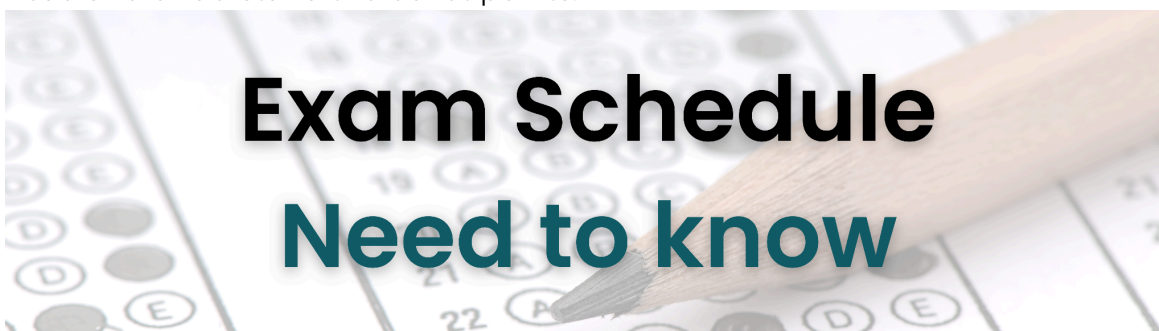
All funds raised from our lunch program go towards special events such as “Alien In-Line Skating”, “SoundKreations” and Author Visits during Literacy Week. The funds are also used to purchase items such as our Gaga Ball Pit and outdoor recess equipment.

**CCES Staffing Update:** Mrs. O'Brien is taking a Professional leave of absence during January and February. Mrs. Vivian Kwon will be taking over Division 2 music classes during this time. She is experienced and passionate about teaching music in a Christian environment and is excited to join our team while Mrs. O'Brien is away. Welcome, Mrs. Kwon!

## Secondary News

**No Friday Morning Hockey** this week but we'll resume next Friday, the 24th.

**January 2025 Exam Schedule** can be found [here](#). It is beneficial to all parents and students in all grades to read and understand the bullet points.



**Exam Week Breakfast Bar:** As our students gear up for their upcoming exams, we recognize the importance of a healthy breakfast in boosting their focus, energy, and performance. To help our students thrive during this critical period, the CCS Sr High Mental Health Team is hosting a Breakfast Bar starting Feb 17. We're reaching out to our amazing parent community for cereal donations. Click [here](#) for more details!

**Basketball:** Double check your practice times and locations [here](#) and visit the Athletics tab of our website for spiritwear purchases and more info! Scorekeepers are still needed for home games throughout the season. Students can [volunteer here](#).

**Homestay Needed:** Next school year, a student will be attending grade 10 here at CCS and we are needing a homestay family for him. The program pays you \$1,000 per and families will require a homestay visit before being approved. Current criminal record checks for anyone in the home over the age of 18 are required and will be reimbursed by Palliser. If you're interested in more information about the expectations and the student, please connect with [Naomi Lanz](#) of Palliser's international program.

**HS Ski Trip in March:** Details [here](#)! There are 33 spots remaining!

**Outdoor Leadership Dual Credit:** We are opening up applications for a few more seats in the Prairie College Outdoor Leadership dual credit program only. This program runs primarily during

spring break (March 24-28) at Frontier Lodge, with a few assignments to complete online before and after that week. Parents are responsible for arranging transportation to and from Frontier Lodge.

See the attached information sheet for more details about this opportunity. If you're interested, please use the link below to submit your application online. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Foster.

[Outdoor Leadership Dual Credit information sheet](#)

[Outdoor Leadership Dual Credit application](#)

**Grade 9 - 12 Drama Program Upcoming Trips and Meetings:** STARFest Nationals, New Westminster BC (Apr 24-26) and Rosebud, AB ACSI Drama Xchange (May 13-14).

A Parent/Student Information Meeting and Sign-Up will be hosted **February 10, at 5:30pm** in the Drama Room to review details and gauge participant numbers. Look to join the "HS Drama Trips" Edsby Group for more details as they roll-out.

**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.

**403 Discipleship Training:** Do you or your child wish they were in a youth group? Miss Springer and Faith Club are providing opportunities for students grade 7 to 12 to attend events in the city to help students grow in their faith alongside their peers. The first event is the **403 Rally February 7-8th**. The cost is **\$25**, students must register by January 31. Click the [link](#) for info & to register.

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