

Jan 28, 2025



Learning Adventures
PRESCHOOL

Society News + School Wide

Important Dates & Information:

Feb 1: Payment re-enrollment fee for 2025-2026 due.

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

Feb 10: CSCE Family Prayer Night - 7:30pm @ CCSS LINC

Feb 15: Alumni Basketball, Pickleball and Volleyball Tournament (sign up [here](#) - deadline to sign up is Feb 1!) Sign up for Alumni sharing circles below.

Feb 21: CCS Family Skate

April 26: Spring Fling

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!



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!

Alumni Tournament: Our Alumni Tournament will be taking place on February 15, 2025. There will be volleyball, basketball, and pickleball brackets. The **deadline to sign up is Feb 1**. 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! For more information click [here](#). To sign up click [here!](#)

Alumni Sharing Circles:

In-person or Zoom: If you are interested in participating during the Alumni weekend, Feb 15, email [Justis Osborne](#) and let him know your preference. Pastor Layne will lead these circles. Click [here](#) to see the format.

Submit in writing: If you are interested in sharing your previous experience at CCS, please use this [form](#) to connect with us and let us know how you would like to do so. There are online and in person ways, we would love to hear from you.

Job Opportunities: There are currently two job openings available. Please take a look and forward them to those who you believe would be interested.

[Building Operator and Facility Lead](#)
[Part-time Preschool Early Child Educator \(AM\)](#)

CCS Family Skate: Everyone is invited to a fun community event on February 21 at 2pm at Optimist/George Blundun Arena. [RSVP here](#) to take part in a public skate or sticks/pucks/rings open to all CCS Families! Hot Chocolate and cookies will be provided after the ice times. Further details to follow.



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

Prayer Team: Join other parents and staff every Tuesday from 8:35 - 9:15 am - check in at the secondary 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. On Feb 3, we gather to discern what we have heard Jesus saying to CCS during this time of prayer & fasting. Click [here](#) for the full schedule and details.

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.

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: There is no chapel this Thursday, January 30th.

Report Cards: Parents need Edsby access in order to view report cards. 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: 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. One more volunteer is needed for our Mucho Burrito Lunch Day on February 6th and many volunteers are needed for February - June lunches. Please sign up today!

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 Updates:

Welcome to Rachel O'neil! Rachel will be taking on an Educational Assistant role on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Division 2.

Welcome to Kaitlin Ouwerkerk! Kaitlin is taking over the Grade 3 position as Denise Steinke transitions to her new role.

Secondary News

Important Dates

Jan 28: Semester 2 Begins

Feb 5-7: Newsies Jr.

Feb 11 & 12: Grad Photos (booking details very soon!)

May 21: Celebration of Learning

Gr. 7 & 8 Alpha Youth (Bible Study)

We are excited to share that we had a wonderful kick-off to our Alpha Youth program that runs Monmdays at lunch. We had 23 Gr. 7 & 8 students that attended this week :) We are in need of a few volunteers to provide a snack each week for the students who attend. If you are interested, contact Kelly Bouwman [kelly.bouwman@pallisersd.ab.ca]. The dates are: Feb 3, 10, 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24. For more information about the program itself, you can contact Alison Springer [alison.springer@pallisersd.ab.ca]. Thank you!

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.

Chapel: Friday, January 31st at 10:10am you are welcome to join us. The Drama and Arts team will be giving us a sneak peek into Newsies the Musical. Students will be sharing their God given gifts and talents with us.

Cougar Cafe: Feb Break to March Break Menus are up and active with some **NEW** menu edits and items! The remainder of the year Menus are under development with more new items! Please be sure to get your orders in early so you don't forget while on Feb break! Please be mindful of field trips or planned absences when ordering as well, as credits cannot be given the day of. Menu choices for any week can be altered up to midnight the Wednesday before.
<https://calgarychristian.hotlunches.net/>

Check out the updated Discipleship Diagram, parent glasses, and other resources on our [Secondary Faith Formation webpage](#).

Crafting for a Cause: This exciting new grade 9 option requires some support to collect materials. Seeking: yarn, macrame cord, wool to felt, small wooden rings to macrame with, embroidery thread, magazines to cut up, etc. Also seeking crafty volunteers who could teach some crochet, beading or similar. Reach out to Ms. Cherkas for more details or to share ideas related to upcycling or project suggestions.



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 tournaments (above) and home games this season. Students and parents/guardians can sign up on [this sheet](#).

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 month 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, or visit our [website](#).

Grade 7-9 - FREE Improv (Theatre) Workshop hosted by Samuel W. Shaw School on Thursday, February 20 from 5:30-7:30. (Yes, unfortunately this is during Spring Break) That said, interested students can let Mr. Currie and Chef Chris know by putting their name on the sign-up sheet found in the Lunch Kitchen on or before Feb 12 as we will be putting together this year's team to compete at the Annual JR Improv Festival held May 20-21st at Dr. EP Scarlett.

Grade 9 - 12 Upcoming Drama Trips and Meetings:

FEB 10, 5:30-6:15 pm - Info-Meeting for Parents & Students, CCS Drama Room

FEB 20, 5:30-7:30 pm - JR Improv Workshop, Samuel W. Shaw School,

APR 24-26 - STARFest Nationals, Douglas College, New Westminster BC

MAY 13-14 - ACSI Drama Xchange, Rosebud, AB

MAY 20-21 - *JR Improv Festival, Dr. E.P. Scarlett*

Look to join the "HS Drama Trips" [Edsby Group](#) where we'll post details as they roll-out.

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