Weekly Email: Dec 5, 2023



# School-wide + Society News

**Re-Enrollment:** You would have received an email last week regarding re-enrollment for the 2024-25 school year. If you did not receive the email, please email <u>tmcauley@calgarychristianschool.com</u>. For those who have already completed their re-enrollment, thank you! If you haven't finished it yet, please do it while it's near the top of your inbox! Existing families may **submit applications for new students December 4-18**. Do you know of a family who would be a good fit for CCS? Applications are open for new families starting January 8, feel free to share <u>THIS</u> link with them so our Admissions Coordinator can reach out to them.

**Hotlunches.net Orders** - Each Monday, all registered users of hotlunches.net receive an email titled *"CCS Lunch Program Reminder"*. Please review this email to ensure that you have ordered lunches for your children for the following two weeks. If there are no orders showing, you haven't ordered and will need to send lunch with your children.

**Prayer Team** - If you would like to join our school prayer team, please email <u>Pastor Layne</u> with the times you would be available to meet (day and evening). For December, we're asking the entire CCS community to be praying for our proposed Gym build and the fundraising required, and that we can use the diagram below to help us love one another in our Christ-centred theological diversity.



# **Elementary News**

**ES Lunch Volunteers Needed** - Two more parent volunteers are needed for the December 6 Pizza Day and there are also many more volunteers needed for future lunch days. We cannot run this program without you. If you can help, please sign up using the following link: <u>VOLUNTEER ELEMENTARY LUNCH</u>

**ES Worship Chapel** - It is a DIV I Teaching Chapel on **Thursday, December 7 at 8:45 am.** Parents are welcome to attend.

**Yarn and Sweater Donations** - On Wednesdays, some of the grade six students are part of a crochet/knitting/sewing club. We are hoping to make scarves, ear warmers and mittens to donate to the Mustard Seed. We would greatly appreciate donations of supplies like old sweaters, thread and needles for sewing, yarn and even knitting needles or crochet hooks. Please bring any donations to Mrs. Gillard in room 103.

**Student Ukulele Package** - Did you know that the CCS Elementary Music Program has "Student Uke Packages" for sale? These complete packages come with a Kala Soprano Ukulele (model 15S), a low G Aquila string installed (so that the uke is set up in the same linear tuning used at school), a clip on tuner, and a ukulele music book. Save over \$20 off the retail prices! If you want to order one and have it delivered to the school in time for Christmas, **orders need to be placed and paid for at the office by Friday December 8th.** 

## **Secondary News**

**Did you know?** The Edsby Mobile App is a great way to get up-to-date news, submit your student's absences, view report cards, fill out permission forms for events, and follow your student's academic progress. If you haven't signed up already, send an email to <a href="mailto:ccssoffice@pallisersd.ab.ca">ccssoffice@pallisersd.ab.ca</a> and we will happily help you with login and technical support.

**Entrepreneurship 101 Pilot** Beginning January 31, we are excited to pilot a new entrepreneurship course as we partner with <u>Boss Club</u>. Students will earn high school credits as they participate in this highly engaging, turn-key semester course that helps students design, launch, and run a real small business from a Biblical worldview. This class will be run by Mr. Stoesz during block 1 of quarter 3. If your child would like to enrol or change out of their scheduled class into this one, let <u>Jadan Barthel</u> know. We only have 15 seats!

**Exam Schedule** for the January 2024 grade 9-12 session can be found <u>here</u>.

**Ordered Plants for the Band Fundraiser?** They are ready for pick-up today, **Tuesday, December 5** at the Secondary Campus before and after the Winter Music Concerts.

Senior High Mental Health Team We are building a Lego wall in the Wellness room! Our school community has worked hard to build a safe place for students to go when they are feeling overwhelmed and now we are looking to expand our resources. We are seeking donations of Lego pieces. If you can support our Wellness room project with Lego donations, please drop them off at the secondary office, email kelly.schmaltz@pallisersd.ab.ca, or call the school at 403-242-2896.

**Winter Music Concert TONIGHT: Two Concerts, December 5, 2023** at the Secondary Campus *Concert* 1 will begin at 6:00 pm with students in Grade 7, High School Band, and High School Choir performing. *Concert 2* will begin at 7:30 pm with students in Grade 8, Jazz Band, High School Band, and High School Choir performing. Bring a gift/donation for the Giving Tree if you're able!

**Giving Tree:** The Secondary Student Council is excited to announce the donation drive for the <u>Giving Tree</u>, dedicated to supporting various organisations and individuals in need during this holiday season. This year, CCS is extending its support to the Ukrainian immigrant families at Glenbrook Elementary School (toys, mitts, gift cards for Walmart, Superstore, and gas stations), Blessings & Burdens, and the Umoja Community Mosaic.

Here's how you can participate:

- 1. Choose an ornament from the Giving Tree located in the Secondary foyer. (Alternatively, you can review the provided lists and send your child to school with a donation.)
- 2. Purchase the specified donation item(s).
- 3. Return the unwrapped item(s) along with the ornament, placing them under the tree.
- 4. Alternatively, gift cards can be purchased via School Cash.

#### We will be accepting donations from December 1 to December 15.

Your generosity will undoubtedly make a meaningful impact on the lives of those in our community. Thank you in advance for your support!

**Christmas Staff Appreciation** The secondary school council has initiated a group gift option that allows you to thank a teacher with a special gift that is made greater by the sum of your efforts. Learn how you can contribute <u>here</u>.

## School Council Meeting The next meeting is Thursday, December 7 in the LINC starting at 6:30 pm.

All CCS parents and guardians are welcome to attend. Agendas and a draft copy of the Secondary School

Council's operating procedures can be found at <u>School Council</u>!

We would be thrilled to have you join one of the committees. By participating on these committees, you can contribute to your child's school community, as well as network with other parents who are wanting to make a positive impact. For more information reach out to <u>ccsscouncil@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

# **Advanced Notice**

Please join our CCES Community to celebrate the **Division 1 Christmas Concert: He Came Down That We** May Have Love! Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 6:30-7:30 pm at Bethany Chapel, 3333 Richardson Way SW.

Missed last week's communication? Find it here: Parents/Weekly Email