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## School-wide news + Society Items

We're assembling a playground this week Wednesday - Friday (August 30, 31, September 1) and this is the **LAST CHANCE** TO SIGN UP. We're excited for all the fun kids are going to have starting next week **BUT we need more volunteers** - no experience required, must be 16+ years old. If you could help for a shift, please <u>SIGNUP HERE</u>, lunch will be provided!

We LOVE our volunteers! There are so many things we couldn't do without you! If you are planning to volunteer with CCS this school year we have a \*NEW\* registration system for onboarding. All of the details are laid out <u>here</u> on our website. Even if you were a volunteer with us in the past, we kindly ask that you fill out this form so that your information is transferred correctly to our new system. It is important to note that only those registered in our new system will be permitted to volunteer. Thank you!

The hot lunch system was reset over the summer and all families are required to set up their account, even if you were a previous user. Please use the same email for your account that you used last year.

Orange shirts are now available in support of **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30**! You can pay directly <u>on our new site with a credit card or paypal</u>. The beautiful artwork, used with permission, is from indigenous artist Michelle Stoney and once again, proceeds from the shirts will be donated to the <u>Legacy of Hope Foundation</u>.

We're honoured to have Holly Fortier, a local Indigenous educator, filmmaker and president of <u>Nisto</u> <u>Consulting</u> who attends Westside Kings Church, present to students, staff and visitors at each campus on Friday, September 29. Holly presented to our parents last March as part of our initiatives to learn and celebrate Racial Diversity.

Details, dates and times for back to school, and school supplies, are <u>linked HERE</u> and on the front of our website.

We're hosting a **Fall Fair** on Saturday, November 18 as it's our **60th Anniversary**. We're looking for a couple more people, like you, to be part of the planning team! (eg. Someone to arrange food/snacks, games, etc) If you are interested, please email <u>info@calgarychristianschool.com</u> Artisans, food, games, and more, so save-the-date!

(missed last week's communication? It's posted as a PDF on our website: <u>Parents/Weekly Email</u>

## **Elementary News**

Opening Chapel is September 7 at 8:50am - parents are welcome to attend too!

PLEASE!! When dropping off and picking up students, be mindful of the surrounding properties. Do not park in front of or block driveways - we aim to be conscientious and kind neighbours! We've heard that they've had some unpleasant interactions in the past. We ask that you follow the signs (no stopping zones, etc) and remember that u-turns in school zones are not permitted.

ES Time Table:

8:15am Outdoor Supervision begins 8:20 Doors open 8:30am school day starts (\*new time!) 3:32pm school day ends (\*new time!) 12:40pm early dismissal on Fridays

Your child's welcome letter, with their staggered entry date, will be emailed from their teacher this Friday afternoon, September 1.

## Secondary News

Opening Chapel is September 5, 9am @ Emmanuel Church (3020 51 St SW) Parents are welcome too!

*Grade 12 students* are **off to Frontier Lodge** on Tuesday, September 6, details and permission information are posted <u>HERE on our website</u>.

VOLLEYBALL SEASON HAS ARRIVED! Here's <u>a link to the try-out schedule</u>, which is also posted on our website under ATHLETICS - starting on the first day of school for Gr10-12 students!

Would your Gr11 or 12 student be interested for a campus visit at Dordt College, in Iowa, October 26-29, Defender Days. The cost would be approximately \$300-400 per student which includes airfare, accommodations and most meals. Please email <u>cheryl.armstead@pallisersd.ab.ca</u> if you would like more information.

Gr7 students and their parents/guardians are invited to Orientation on Thursday, August 31 Please <u>RSVP</u>
<u>HERE</u> so we can plan accordingly, see you soon!
6pm for last name: A-J
7pm for last name: K-Z

**Gr7 + 8 Homeroom lists** will be emailed late Thursday afternoon, August 31. These students will *go to their homeroom on the first day* of school (a map will accompany the email) and then off to chapel at 9am at Emmanuel Church. Students will get a schedule of their classes on the first day of school.

New students in Gr8-12, you're invited to <u>RSVP HERE for a tour</u> of the school on Friday, September 1 at 10:30am and 11:15am. We look forward to meeting you!

**Gr9-12 students**, on the first day of school you will go around the building to the black top (weather permitting) for a back-to-school activity before heading to the Opening Day Chapel at Emmanuel Church at 9am.

**Gr9 schedules** are available to view on Students' ConnectEd accounts. Please have your student log in using <u>this LINK</u>. They will need to use their student email as the username and the password they have set prior. They can use the 'forgot password' option if they need to reset their password. Gr 9 students are <u>NOT</u> permitted to submit course change requests at this time.

**Gr10-12 students** should have access to their schedules through their student portal on Connect Ed/Edsembli (under QUICKLINKS on our website) and linked <u>HERE</u> I**Gr10-12** if you need to request a course selection/change, students must complete <u>THIS REQUEST FORM.</u>

If you're in Gr9-12 and can not access your account, please email: <u>ccssoffice@pallisersd.ab.ca</u> - be patient, we get **lots** of requests at this time of year! :)

Meet the Teachers on Monday, September 11 at 6:30pm - there will be a main session in the LINC and then 3 breakout session times with Grade Teams and Departments so you can meet staff and learn more about our programs and your teen's learning!

You can order today! Hot Lunches begin on Tuesday, September 12 with Chef Chris. Order with <u>THIS LINK on</u> <u>hotlunches.net</u>, please remember *everyone* needs to set up an account.

Does your secondary student have a life threatening medical condition that we need to be aware of? Fill out this <u>Medical Alert Form</u>. This information will be posted on the Secondary Campus office bulletin board with the student's emergency medication (if applicable).