



# **Society News + School-wide**

A Legacy of Faithfulness: A Musical Tribute to Calgary Christian School's 60th Anniversary: CCS is calling on all of their Alumni to join them in a 60th Anniversary Celebration on May 14th at 7pm at First Alliance Church. Email us <a href="here">here</a> to participate in the choir and/or band ensemble. Volunteers are needed for event set/take down, ticket takers, greeters, etc. Sign up <a href="here">here</a> to participate in this way. To get your tickets to this wonderful event, use this <a href="link">link</a>.

Please keep an eye on your inbox as the CSCE will share a special message with you on how members of our school community may actively participate in restorative practices at CCS.

**Prayer Team** meets each Wednesday at 8:40 - 9:30am. Currently, we are using the <u>discipleship</u> <u>dialogue diagram</u> to launch our prayers. <u>Email Pastor Layne</u> if you would like to join.

**West Coast Trail:** Please consider sponsoring our High School students for their West Coast Trail trip in May by buying beautiful flowers, herbs and vegetables <a href="here">here</a>. Place an order before Friday, May 3, and your plants will be ready for pick-up on Wednesday, May 22. Thank you for your support!



**Student Banking:** The remaining banking days for 2023/24 are as follows: May 1, 8 & 15 and June 5 & 12, 2024.

April 26, 2024 - PD day, no school for students

#### **Pre School News**

**Apply for PreSchool Today!** Learning Adventure Preschool registration has begun for September 2024. Visit our <u>website</u> to register now to avoid disappointment!

# **Elementary News**

**ES Lunch Volunteers Needed**: Many more volunteers are needed for future lunch days. Did you know that you <u>do not</u> need a Police Clearance to volunteer for our lunch program? We cannot run this program without you. If you can help, please sign up <u>here</u>.

**Division 2 Outdoor Ed:** Please take note of this updated schedule:

Group ONE: April 22, May 6, May 27 (Make-up excursion for cancellation due to cold weather)

Group TWO: April 29, May 13

**Elementary Soccer:** Weather permitting, soccer will begin on Friday, April 26 (a PD day for students.) Please watch for the volunteer signup to select your volunteer duties.

## **Secondary News**

**Secondary School Council Meeting** Thursday, April 18 in the LINC starting at 6:30 pm. All CCS Secondary parents and guardians are welcome to attend. The Secondary School Council invites parents to email ccsscouncil@gmail.com if interested in joining the Secondary School Council Executive for next year. This month's agenda is posted <a href="here">here</a> on the school website.

**ITALY Exchange Opportunity!!** Through our connection with our school board, Palliser School Division, we have a unique opportunity to partner with a secondary school in Milan, Italy for a student exchange. If your child is a student in grade 10-12 next year, they would be eligible to participate. You and your family would host a child from Italy towards the end of September 2024 for 8-10 days. Then, in March 2025 during our spring break, your child will head to Milan to be hosted by the Italian family of the student who stayed with you. This opportunity is a great way to experience Italy at a reduced price. Students would be responsible for airfare (~\$1300) and expenses incurred while hosting your Italian student (food, transportation, etc.). If interested, please contact Jadan Barthel, here, as soon as possible.

**Assessment Change Parent Coalition:** As our <u>school division</u> looks to shift towards assessment practice that is consistent with current research, I would like to create a parent coalition to learn about the concerns of any potential change while building understanding about the suggested shift. If you're willing to partner with us to ensure a successful transition, please let me know by emailing me <u>here</u>. We'll look to meet in May to start the process.

June Exam Schedule is available here.

**Much Ado High School Drama Production:** This lighthearted comedy written by Lindsay Price, and arranged for the stage by our intrepid Quarter 3 High School Drama Class is inspired by William Shakespeare's, "Much Ado About Nothing" and will be performed in the Drama Room for the Grade 5-8s over two days (April 16-17th) and then OPEN for general public on April 18th.

This event is also a fundraiser to support the Drama program as we journey to the <u>National STAR</u> <u>Fest</u> (Drama Festival) in New Westminster BC, happening on April 26-27. Our students earned this prestigious opportunity through their exceptional performance at the regional competition last Fall. If you feel called to support this opportunity in some way, now, or in the future, please reach out to Mr. Currie for more information.

SCHEDULING CHANGE! There are 25, \$5 general seats for anyone who can see a show at 2:40pm on Wednesday AND there are 50 general seats for the two shows on Thursday:

- Matinee (6:00-6:40pm) \$20 Show
- Closing Night (7:30-9pm) \$25 Show and After Party

Drama students will be selling tickets during lunch outside the LINC (11:15am - 12:50pm) April 11-18. Email Mr. Currie, <a href="here">here</a>, if you'd like to reserve seats up to 24 hours in advance. There will likely be tickets at the door.

**80s Neon Disco** is on Wednesday, April 24, for grades 9-12 and it's going to be totally rad! Students can check their Google Classroom or chat with a teacher or a friend for more info!

**Cougar Athletics** is in need of volunteers to help coach and support our Track + Field Team for the 2024 season. The season goes from the end of April to the end of May. If you or someone you know is interested in helping out, please contact <u>Mark Jonker</u> and/or <u>Curtis Smeding</u>.

### <u>Upcoming Badminton Tournament(s):</u>

Gr. 7s on Wednesday, April 17th (afternoon) at Clear One Badminton Centre.

Gr. 8s on Thursday, April 18th (morning) at Clear One.

Gr. 9s on Thursday, April 18th (afternoon) at Clear One.

For the athletes that advance to the Champions tournament, that will be on Mon, April 22nd.

<u>Junior High Soccer</u> - This will begin on April 24th (first day of tryouts). There will be a 7/8 co-ed team and a 8/9 co-ed team!

<u>Track and Field</u> - This will begin on April 29th (everyone). Starting with a big meeting/startup in the gym after school.

**Parent Teacher Interviews** are coming up again on Friday, April 26. These sessions will be virtual. A link will be posted in the Room # of your Edsby booking. The portal for booking is already open. If you are unable to book with a particular teacher due to scheduling difficulties please contact the teacher directly using our <u>Staff Directory</u>. The portal for booking will close Wednesday, April 17, at noon.

**Drama Club** will be on hiatus as we prepare for our next round of celebrations. We will look to pick this up again soon!

**Mid-High Annual Calaway Park Trip** We are thrilled to announce that we will be taking our Grade 9 students to Calaway Park on Friday, June 21st, to commemorate the end of the school year. Unfortunately, due to the park reaching capacity, we had to select an alternate date separate from the Grade 7/8 outing. Rest assured, this outing occurs after all of the PAT exams are finished. We kindly request that you arrange transportation for your child from the school at 3:15 PM on June 21st, as this falls outside of our regular school and bussing hours on Friday. No action is required at this time, there will be more information sent out closer to the event.