



Christ Church Cathedral School Newsletter

April 27, 2017

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are excited to announce that another Fitzsimmons has entered the world! Congratulations to EA Cody Fitzsimmons whose wife Molly gave birth to a baby girl on Tuesday night. Welcome Adara! Grade 1s have some good advice for Cody, as a new dad, that we have included as an attachment.

All of us at the school feel so fortunate to be able to come to work knowing we are an integral part of a connected and caring community here at CCCS. The outpouring of enthusiasm for Cody's growing family is just one example, and there are so many other ways that staff and families reinforce those connections. The great turnouts at events (and there are many on the horizon) cement relationships school-wide.

Recently we have had opportunities to come out and show our CCCS pride as students demonstrated the results of their hard work at the Science Fair, Talent Show and Speech Festival. Grade 2 students are enthusiastically learning and observing the growing salmon that have now reached the "fry" stage of their development in the front foyer. And looking to the future, planning student trips to connect with the French culture in Quebec and France is another exciting way for our students to learn and grow.

Our goal is to provide our students every opportunity to 'shine their light' and you will see those lights shining brightly during our Student-Led Conferences and the Celebration of Learning tomorrow afternoon. (Please remember that this is not the time to discuss your child's progress directly with the teacher; however, you can always make an appointment to do so another day.) As we come to the end of another month I want to express my gratitude to every member of the CCCS community for making us who we are.

Thank you!

Weekly Calendar: For up to date calendar information, see the school's website:

<http://cathedralschool.ca/school-calendar/>

Thursday, April 27	France 2018/Quebec 2019 Parent Meeting 4:30 - 5:30pm. Details below
Friday, April 28	Student-led Conferences & Celebration of Learning. Details below
Saturday, April 29	ISA Art Show 10am - 3pm at St. Joseph's Elementary
Monday, May 1	Grade 6 Badminton tournament after school
Tuesday, May 2	- Track & Field practice 7:10am - Badminton practice at lunch - Field hockey practice after school
Wednesday, May 3	- Chapel - Early dismissal at 2:00pm - Grade 7 Badminton tournament after school

News & Upcoming Events:

TONIGHT, April 27 from 4:30 – 5:30pm: Information and planning meeting for parents of students in grades 4 – 7. Advance information about the trips to France in 2018 and Quebec in 2019 will be discussed. ***There will be food and other surprises!*** Please also note that the trips are optional and are reserved for students in grade 7 and 8 only.

HOT LUNCH DAY CHANGE for May 4 and 25: We have just been informed that Nando's Chicken is going out of business. Therefore the plan is to replace the scheduled lunches for May 4th and 25th with Oregano's pizza. Please get in touch with Todd for any specific concerns.

Friday, April 28th from 12:30 – 4:00pm: Student Led Conferences & Celebration of Learning

Student Led Conference K - 3 (12:30 - 4:00pm)

It's that time of year again when we check in with our students and gain an understanding of their learning path throughout the year. The Kindergarten through grade 3 classes will have 25 minute appointments, from 12:30 - 3:30pm. Signup sheets are posted on the parent board.

Intermediate and Middle School Classes—Grades 4 - 8 – Celebration of Learning

Grade 4 through grade 8 will have an 'Open House' format from 12:30 - 4:00pm. Parents will visit their son's or daughter's classes and celebrate their learning. Grade 4 & 5 parents are also encouraged to visit the middle school classes to learn about the exciting things to come! Please plan to spend 30 minutes for the gallery walk to view and celebrate your child's accomplishments.

April 28th is considered a regular school day until lunch time. The children will eat their lunch and then head outside for some fresh air. (Parents are welcome to collect their children until their conference time) The students staying at the school will be in Lux Mundi Care until the time of their conference. The parents are asked to collect their children from the playground and head to their appointment (K-3) or upstairs to the Open House (grades 4 - 8).

Independent Schools Association Art Show



This year students in grades three and four at CCCS will have artwork on display at the ISA (Independent Schools Association) Art Show.

Everyone is invited to attend and celebrate the amazing art created by students from all over the capital region.

Saturday, April 29th, 10am - 3pm

St. Joseph's Elementary School: 757 Burnside Road West

I will be at the event from 1-3pm on Saturday if you would like to stop by and say "hello"!

~ Sandi Henrich, art teacher at CCCS

Early Dismissal: Wednesday, May 3 at 2:00pm

Student Council & Outreach Bake Sale: Wednesday, May 3 at lunch time. Funds raised will be donated to George Jay Elementary School's breakfast program "*Breakfast to Beethoven*", a community funded project that provides a healthy breakfast to children in need. Minimum donation \$1.00.

GNS Show Choir Performance – Thursday, May 4 at 2:00: We are in for a treat with a special performance from the musical *The Sound of Music* by the GNS show choir, including 2 CCCS alumni: Arianna Loy & Bella Szwender!

Class & Whole School Photos will take place on the morning of **Tuesday, May 9th**, weather permitting. An order envelope for the "Whole School" photo was sent home last week. Each child will automatically receive one complimentary copy of their class photo but the photo of the whole school costs \$10.00 and needs to be ordered. It is an 8x10 print. If you are ordering, please have your child give their envelope, money enclosed, to their teacher on May 10th.

CCCS Spirit Week May 15 - 18: Stay tuned for more details. We are tentatively planning a Middle School dance for Thursday, May 18th and many fun activities for the whole school.

HarbourCats Game Monday, June 19 at noon: The HarbourCats baseball team has designated one of their regular season home games for schools to come out and enjoy the game and learn through sport. We encourage students in grades 4 - 8 to attend. See the poster on the parent board for more details. **Purchase deadline is May 19.** Any leftover tickets will be sold at the Spring Fair.

Enrolment Committee Initiatives

Thanks to some great ideas being generated by the Enrolment Committee, CCCS is having a big presence in the festival circuit this year! Next week's newsletter will have information about how you can get involved with these events to ensure they are a success.

Victoria Day Parade: For the first time, CCCS will be in the *Island Farms Victoria Day Parade* taking place on **Monday, May 22**. We will need some student and parent volunteers.

Car Free YYJ - Sunday, June 18: CCCS The Car Free YYJ event is one of the biggest and best family events of the year with countless local vendors, food stalls and entertainment. Christ Church Cathedral School will have an information booth at the event so we can spread the word about our wonderful school. We will need volunteers to work at the booth in different time blocks.



Spring Fair May 27: The Spring Fair will be here in 1 month! Parents, we are seeking sponsors (or partial sponsors) for items such as: BBQ, Dunk Tank, Giant Hamster Balls, Bouncy Obstacle Course, Bumper Balls, and Foam Party Machine. You may make a donation in any amount. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$25 or more.

We also have "Donation Request" letters for those who would like to ask for donations from local businesses for the Silent Auction. Please come by the office if you would like some to distribute. Parents are also encouraged to consider donating a service or item of value to the Silent Auction. Contact the PSG for more details. Thank you to those who have already brought in items!

Cambridge Uniforms Fitting Day – Wednesday, June 7: Contact the office to sign up for your appointment time between 2:00 - 5:30pm.



CCCS LED Light Pens: You have to check these out! These high quality pens have a leather grip and LED light illuminating the school's name and "Let your light shine!" The pens are available for sale from the office while supplies last. See the poster on the parent board for details or come by the office.
1 pen = \$5 / 2 for \$8 / 5 for \$15



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