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Dear CCCS Families,

The delightful symphonic and vocal sounds of the CCCS music program have returned to the auditorium! Thank you to our music teachers, Mrs. Erickson and Mr. Enns for their patience and flexibility as we waited for the final work to be completed in this area.

At Thanksgiving we express our gratitude for the bounty of the earth and for our friends and family. Some families are making it a tradition that before the Thanksgiving meal they share what it is they are grateful for. What a great way to teach our children to give thanks. At school, we are encouraging all our students and their families to join us in an expression of communal gratitude by bringing in food items for the people of Victoria who don't have enough in the cupboard. We will be gathering non-perishable items and are hoping to build a small mountain of food in front of the altar next week. Please help if you can.

We wish you all a safe, healthy, joyful Thanksgiving weekend with your families.

Weekly Calendar

Thursday, October 8	- PSG Meeting. 7:00 pm at The Penny Farthing Pub
Monday, October 12	- Thanksgiving Day. School Closed. No Lux Mundi
Tuesday, October 13	- Swim Club - Middle School boys/girls soccer practice 3:15 - 4:15 pm
Wednesday, October 14	- Middle School girls soccer jamboree @ John Stubbs 4:20 - 5:30 pm - Cross Country meet @ Clover Point 3:45 - 4:30 pm
Thursday, October 15	- Middle School boys/girls soccer practice 3:15 - 4:15 pm
Friday, October 16	- World Food Day - Student Vote

Upcoming Events:

PSG Meeting - Tonight, Thursday, October 8: 7:00 pm at the Penny Farthing

Food Bank Collection: Donations are being collected in the front foyer outside the office.

Annual General Meeting: The AGM of the Christ Church Cathedral Educational Society is on Wednesday, October 28th at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium of the School with a meet and greet beginning at 6:30 pm. The Educational Society is the umbrella body that, through its Board of Directors, oversees the governance of the School, the Lux Mundi Program and the Jr. Kindergarten. Membership in the Society is open to parents and you are encouraged to support the Society and the School by becoming a member. Annual membership is \$5.00 and lifetime membership is \$100. Please come along to the Annual General Meeting on Oct. 28th and participate in the all-important process of governance of the School. Only Society members can vote at the AGM so if you would like to become a member before the meeting please see Bev in the office for a form. There will also be an opportunity to become a member on Wednesday, prior to the meeting. The Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2015 will be presented at the meeting.

Grade 5 and Middle School Choir Performance — Sunday, October 18 at 3:00 pm

There will be a special service for the induction and installation of the Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker as Rector of Christ Church Cathedral and Dean of Columbia and our grade 5 and middle school choir members will be performing a special piece of music.

Pumpkin Sale: Galey Farms will be delivering pumpkins to the playground next week.

Interim Reports: Interim reports will be distributed on **Wednesday, October 28th**.

Parent / Teacher Interviews - Friday, October 30th: Sign-up sheets will be posted for parent/teacher interview time slots on the parent board by the playground entrance. Middle School parents will be receiving a letter outlining the format for the day.

Halloween Dance: Reminder: The Halloween Dance will be held on **Thursday, October 29th** from 6 - 8:30 pm. More details to follow as the date draws near.

Photo Retakes: If your child was absent for individual photo day, or you would like to have a retake done, please mark your calendars. Photo retake day is **Monday, November 5th**.

Other Information and Reminders:

My Commitment to Cathedral School: Many of these forms have not yet been returned. Please review the document with your child, ensure that your child understands and then signs it, and then return the form to your child's teacher.

Terry Fox Update: Thank you to everyone who organized, participated in, or donated to the Terry Fox Foundation this year. It was truly a wonderfully inspiring CCCS community event and the weather was perfect! Donations will be accepted until tomorrow morning and then all of the funds will be counted. Next week the grand total will be announced.

Smile Card Fundraising: Remember to pick up a Thrifty Foods Smile Card from the office before you do your Thanksgiving grocery shopping, if you don't have one yet. For every dollar you put on your Thrifty's Smile Card, Thrifty's will donate 5¢ to our school. We have the opportunity to earn up to \$3,000 for the school.



As part of our 25th Anniversary celebrations, we are planning a gala event at the end of the school year. Do we have any event planners in our community, or is there a local company that you would recommend? We will be transforming our gymnasium for the gala dinner and live auction held on Saturday, June 18th. Stay tuned for further details and please let us know if you are able to help in any way. Thank you.

Beginner Strings Program: Mrs. Erickson will be starting a beginner strings program after school.

Where: School Auditorium **When:** Fridays 3:00-3:45pm **Dates:** October 23 - December 4 **Cost:** \$84 / 7 sessions

This program is for students in Grade 2 or above who have little or no knowledge of the violin or cello. They will need to bring their own instrument (if you do not have an instrument and are interested in trying out the program, Larsen Music and Long & McQuade both do monthly instrument rentals).

If you have any questions, or to register, please contact Mrs Erickson at school or by email music@cathedralschool.ca



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<http://eepurl.com/bBhKtr>

Christ Church Cathedral will be holding a **Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 21st**. One component of the bazaar is a silent auction and the committee is seeking donations for the table. If you are able to donate an item or a service, or are willing to approach a business to provide an item or a service, please contact Diana McNeil (dianamcneil@telus.net) or Joan Skillings (joanskilling@telus.net). There are cover letters from the Dean available to assist you if you are asking for donations.