



Christ Church Cathedral School Newsletter

January 25, 2018

Dear Cathedral School Families,

We have had many prospective new kindergarten students and their parents visiting this week. In fact, it is the largest turnout in we've had in many years. Unfortunately we can only welcome 19 of these eager learners into our kindergarten class for the Fall. Thank you for spreading the word about Cathedral School to those you know.

Staffing updates: As I shared with the grade 4 parents earlier, Mrs. Branscombe has requested a reduction in her teaching load in order to spend more time with her family. Brett MacDonald will teach in Grade 4 on Wednesdays and will do so until the end of the school year. Brett, as you may know, taught in Grade 3 on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday last term and also ran a theatre improvisation club for the Grade 4s – and they loved it! So, she already has a good connection with most of the students and we are fortunate to be able to keep her on staff.

Jo Daley, our EA in the kindergarten class, has accepted a very exciting offer for a top position in her field of expertise: Environmental Management. I am thrilled for her and her family and I know this is the right move for her. That is the good news. Of course the flip side is that she will no longer be here at the school doing such a wonderful job and we will truly miss her. Jo has brought significant skills to the classroom and her helpful, do anything, anytime, work ethic has been appreciated beyond words. Thankfully we will still see her around the school in her role as a parent.

We are excited to announce that a new CCCS family member is due to arrive at the end of June. Lindsey Waters, our grade 7 home form teacher, is expecting. Congratulations Lindsey!

Ongoing Counseling Support: I would like to introduce you to Marnie Thompson of Victoria Hospice. Marnie told me that their program can provide 6 grief sessions at no cost, and then additional paid sessions to members of our community. Families can self-refer and would call Bereavement Reception at [250-370-8868](tel:250-370-8868) to set up an initial appointment.

If anyone would like to discuss additional support for their child, I am only a phone call or email away: stuart.hall@cathedralschool.ca

Yours,

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

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

Thursday, January 25	- FINAL deadline for February lunch orders - Eli Pasquale Basketball program after school
Friday, January 26	- BOTTLE DRIVE - gr. 6 - 8 girls volleyball practice at lunch
Monday, January 29	- gr. 6 - 8 boys volleyball practice at lunch - gymnastics for K / grade 1 - gr. 6 - 8 boys volleyball games at Cedar Hill Middle School 3 - 5:30pm
Tuesday, January 30	- gymnastics for grades 2 & 3
Wednesday, January 31	- gr. 6 - 8 boys volleyball practice after school - gr. 6 - 8 girls volleyball games 3 - 5:30pm. Location TBA
Thursday, February 1	- Eli Pasquale Basketball program after school

News & Upcoming Events:

Hot Lunch Orders for February: The deadline to order hot lunches for February has been extended by one day to the end of the day TODAY, January 25th. If you do not place your order by the end of the day, you will only be able to place lunch orders for March to June. Late orders can no longer be accepted. Contact Liisa in the office if you have any questions. 250-383-5125 | office@cathedralschool.ca

Bottle Drive: Tomorrow, Friday, January 26th we are having another bottle drive. Please bring your empties to the playground. Thank you for supporting this French trip fundraiser!

Thrifty Foods Smile Cards Update: We are on track for our maximum donation of \$3,000 from Thrifty Foods to support our outdoor education program. We are currently at **\$1,716.27**. If you haven't picked up a smile card from the office yet, please do so. It's an easy way to support the school while you do your regular shopping. Thank you.

Re-enrolment forms: Forms will be sent home next Thursday, February 1st to register your child for the 2018 - 2019 school year and are due back by February 15th. If you would like information about financial assistance, please contact Bev in the office. Monday – Thursday, 8:00am to 4:00pm.

PSG Meeting – Thursday, February 8: 7:00pm at the Penny Farthing on Oak Bay Ave.

Pro-D Day – Friday, February 9: Lux Mundi is available.

B.C. Family Day Holiday – Monday, February 12: School is closed. Lux Mundi is not available.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast: Tuesday, February 13th. See the volunteer sign up link in the PSG Post.

Lux Mundi Spring Break: It's time to think ahead to Spring Break, March 19 – 28. [Registration forms are available online](#). Summer program registration will be posted on the website soon.



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