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Dear CCCS Families,

We are half way through Advent and there is much enthusiasm and anticipation in the halls and classrooms of Christ Church Cathedral School. Students and staff are busily preparing for Christmas celebrations and our upcoming Christmas performances. This year there will be two performances in the Cathedral, so please refer to the invitation to *Angels* for specific times and costume requirements.

This afternoon, our Junior Kindergarten students will present their own Christmas performance at our facility on Niagara Street. For many of these children, it will be their very first public presentation and they are so excited about it. The teachers down at the JK have done a wonderful job preparing the children for this performance and helping them begin to understand the higher message of Christmas time.

On Friday our PSG will host the ever popular Christmas potluck dinner in the gymnasium. Last year we fed over 200 people, so you'll want to arrive on time to get a good seat and a taste of the delicious meal and desserts. We will open with a Grace shortly after 5:00 pm.

Stuart Hall

Weekly Calendar For detailed listings, including sports practices, see the website:

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

Thursday, December 11	Drop-in Boys (grade 6 - 8) Volleyball 3:15 - 4:15 pm
Friday, December 12	PSG Christmas Potluck Dinner at 5:00 pm
Tuesday, December 16	Drop-in Girls (grade 6 - 8) Volleyball 3:15 - 4:15 pm
Wednesday, December 17	Middle School Choir rehearsal 7:30 - 8:30 am
	Christmas Matinée Performance 10:30 am in the Cathedral
	Christmas Evening Performance 6:00 pm in the Cathedral
Thursday, December 18	Drop-in Boys (grade 6 - 8) Volleyball 3:15 - 4:15 pm
Friday, December 19	Half Day. Students dismissed at noon.

Report Cards

Term One Report Cards will be going home with students next week (not today, as indicated on our calendar).

Reminder: Poinsettias have arrived. If you placed an order, please collect your plants from the hallway near the playground doors.

Lux Mundi Christmas Break Dates

Lux Mundi will be running on the following dates: December 22, 23, **24 (until 4:00 pm)**, 29, 30, January 5. If you need childcare during this time and have not pre-registered, please get in touch with Todd to see if there is any space available.

Christmas Donation Boxes

The Outreach Club will be preparing boxes full of handy items for youth who are in need in our city. We are asking for your support to provide the following items.



Kindergarten: socks
Grade 1: soap
Grade 2: toothpaste & toothbrushes
Grade 3: gloves / mittens



Grade 4: lip balms
Grade 5: deodorant
Grade 6: treats / candy
Grade 7: disposable razors / makeup
Grade 8: skin cream / makeup



***** Please bring in your contributions by Friday, December 12th. *****

We will pack, wrap, and deliver the boxes on the afternoon of December 12th. Thank you for helping us!

~ The Outreach Club



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE PEER HELPERS

The Peer Helpers had a busy first term. After their training in October they began their outside lunchtime duties: skipping, games, schlocky box, etc. This will continue in the second term. They organized two indoor Games Days for K-5 students in the Auditorium. These were a big success! The Knitting Club began in October with the help of Ms. Sumilas, a volunteer, and Ms. Trail. Four Peer Helpers: Bridget, Chloe, Molly and Gabriella assisted with this club, which will continue in the second term. Mrs. Majcher supervised two clubs for the K-3 students: The Doodle Club and the Bracelet Club. The Peer Helpers wish to remind you all that they are **collecting used stamps** for the SPCA's neutering and spaying programs. Please send in the stamps in the New Year to your child's classroom to be deposited in the collection envelopes. Thank you for your ongoing support.

An Invitation to This Year's Christmas Production: *Angels*



This year's Christmas Production will be "Angels". There will be a matinee performance at 10:30 am and an evening performance at 6:00 pm in the Cathedral on Wednesday, December 17th.

Costumes:

- Kindergarten and Grade 1 - Angels. Please check with classroom teacher for more details.
- Grades 2, 3, 4 & 5 - costume requirements are white tops and black bottoms. White school shirts are appropriate (and likely easiest to arrange). Additional costume items will be provided at school.
- Grades 6, 7 & 8 - costume requirement is "dressy" black and red – NO jeans.

*** All students are to wear their black school shoes.**

Parents, please send in costume items to your child's classroom by Friday, December 12th.

On the night of the performance, students will need to meet their teachers in their classrooms by 5:30 pm to get organized. Kindergarten and Grade One students will put on their costumes when they arrive in the evening, while the rest of the students in grades 2-8 will come dressed in their costumes.

Reception to Follow Evening Performance After the evening performance, we invite you to join us in the gym for a short reception. While you enjoy a refreshment, please be aware that parents are responsible for their own children during this time.



Please visit the Christ Church Cathedral website to find out what is happening during the holiday season and mark your calendars. We know you will want to take time with your family to enjoy some these events. <http://christchurchcathedral.bc.ca/>

The PSG Post

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

EVENT DEADLINE: We are still looking for a volunteer or two to run the Hot Chocolate Post-Christmas Concert Event. Quite a few Grade 7 & 8 students have signed up to help serve but we need a parent or two to pull the whole thing together.

FUNDRAISER INFORMATION

The Cookie Dough & Purdy's Chocolates will be available for pick-up Friday, December 12th (tomorrow) after school and at the Potluck Dinner. Please remember to collect your order as there is very little storage.

The umbrellas are also in and available for purchase. There are a few people who pre-ordered but other than that, they are available on a first come - first serve basis. The cost is \$36.00 each, exact change or cheques payable to Cathedral School Parents Association, gladly accepted. Please see Bev or Liisa to purchase one.

UPCOMING EVENTS!



POTLUCK DINNER

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER
FRIDAY DECEMBER 12TH
5:00PM – 7:00PM
SCHOOL GYM



JK and Kindergarten Class = Drinks
Grade 1 Class = Vegetable dishes
Grade 2 Class = Vegetable dishes
Grade 3 Class = Salads
Grade 4 Class = Vegetable dishes
Grade 5 Class = Desserts
Grade 6 Class = Drinks
Grade 7 Class = Salads
Grade 8 Class = Desserts



POST-CHRISTMAS
CONCERT
HOT CHOCOLATE

**HOT CHOCOLATE & COOKIES
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 17TH,
FOLLOWING CHRISTMAS CONCERT IN THE SCHOOL GYM.**



**NEXT PSG MEETING
THURSDAY JANUARY 15TH 7:00PM
PENNY FARTHING**

*Merry Christmas
and happy New Year*