



# Christ Church Cathedral School Newsletter

February 15, 2018

Dear Cathedral School Families,

The Olympics have been a welcome focus for celebration during this wet, rainy, and cold winter month. Our students and staff are following closely as our Canadian athletes skate, slide, snowboard, ski, or *throw rocks* to earn a place on the podium. Just showing up to an Olympic event is a great achievement in itself, as we can witness by learning about the incredible personal stories of these driven athletes. The ability to keep getting up after a challenging fall is not something that can be turned on at a whim; no, it is a mindset that is developed over time like a muscle. Here at Cathedral School we call this a 'growth mindset'.

A growth mindset is the belief that through practice and hard work we can get better at anything we put our attention to. Compare this to a 'fixed mindset' which essentially means, either you have it or you don't. The former opens all doors while the latter keeps people shackled to their present situation. We work hard to remind ourselves and our students that a growth mindset holds the key to a fulfilling future.

Speaking of the future, we are focusing on filling our classes for next September. I want to thank everyone who has already returned their re-registration forms. Your prompt attention to this allows us to know where we have spots open for next fall so we can contact those eager families on our waitlists. Tomorrow I will be calling everyone from whom we have yet to hear by the end of today.



On Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00am - 12 noon we are opening our doors to the community once again. If you know of anyone who might be interested in finding out more about Cathedral School, be sure to let them know we have an Open House on Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>! If any of you have that morning (or part thereof) free, it is always nice to have a couple of parent ambassadors to help the students lead tours of the school. Just drop me a note if you are interested. Your personal testimonials are the strongest advertising we have.

Yours,

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

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

Thursday, February 15	- Boys Volleyball practice after school - Middle School Dance 6 - 7:30pm
Friday, February 16	- 100s Day - Kindergarten & Grade 1 Celebration - Gr. 6 - 8 Girls Volleyball Practice at Lunch - Grade 8 Leadership Day
Monday, February 19	- Gr. 6 - 8 Boys Volleyball Games at Selkirk Montessori
Tuesday, February 20	- Gr. 6 - 8 Girls Volleyball Practice After School
Wednesday, February 21	- Gr. 6 - 8 Girls Volleyball Games at Bayside Middle School
Thursday, February 22	- French Trip meeting for students and parents 4:00 - 5:00 - Auditorium

## News & Upcoming Events:

A request for your cooperation: The following note is included in our [Parent-Student Handbook](#), available online.

*At 3:00 p.m., after being released from class, the children go to the playground. At 3:10 p.m. Lux Mundi After-School Care starts. Children who are still at the School without parental supervision after 3:10 p.m. will join Lux Mundi. Regular fees will be applied.*

I want to thank you for picking up your children in a timely manner after school. This helps our few Lux Mundi staff to properly monitor the children who are in their care.

Sometimes parents choose to stay on the playground after school so that their children have some extra time to play with their peers. In these instances, please know that we expect the parent to be watching over and controlling their children's behaviour. Lux Mundi staff have their hands full looking after those who are signed into their care and they cannot be monitoring or addressing behaviours of those not in their care. We have to adhere to adult:child ratios as described in the childcare regulations. Regardless, if you are here after school with your child, we would appreciate it if you could begin to head off the school grounds by about 3:30 pm so that we can better monitor the children in our care.

**Middle School Valentine's Dance – TONIGHT:** Thursday, February 15 from 6:00 - 7:30pm

**French Trip Meeting –Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 - 5:00pm:** Students planning to attend French trips to Quebec or France, and the parents of those students, should attend this important meeting. There will be food and prizes!

**OPEN HOUSE: Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9am - 12pm.** All students are to wear their full uniform with sweater and tie on Open House days. Please invite families you know who may be looking for a great school for their children.

**Lux Mundi Spring Break: March 19 – 28.** [Registration forms are available online.](#) Please register early to avoid days being cancelled due to low enrolment. Please note that your deposit is non-refundable for all days you have paid for that Lux Mundi is running.

### Community Events:

**Introduction to Curling:** Yesterday, students participated in a curling demonstration in the gym. If your child is interested in curling, the Victoria Curling Club is offering a FREE on-ice introductory session for students and their parents on **Saturday, February 17 at 1:00 or 2:00pm.** See attachment for details.

**Secret Marathon 3K Run/Walk – Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm:** This event is to support solidarity for the human rights of women in parts of the world who are not allowed to run or walk outside. To learn more information and register see this link: <https://thesecretmarathon.com/3krace>



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