

# CCA CONNECTIONS November 2024



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## Message from Administration



### November Admin Message

Dear CCA Families,

As we enter the month of November, our hearts and minds turn towards Remembrance Day, a time to honor and remember those who have served and sacrificed for our freedom. This solemn occasion reminds us of the profound impact of service and the importance of humility in our daily lives.

In reflecting on this theme, We are reminded of the words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew: “The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted” (Matthew 23:11-12). This scripture beautifully encapsulates the essence of serving with a humble heart, a value we strive to instill in our students.

At CCA, we encourage our students to embody the spirit of service in all they do. Whether through acts of kindness, community service, or simply supporting one another, we believe that true greatness is found in humility and selflessness. As we remember the sacrifices of those who have gone before us, let us also commit to serving others with the same dedication and humility.

This month, we will be engaging in various activities and discussions centered around Remembrance Day. We encourage you to talk to and reflect with your child on how we can all contribute to a more compassionate and just world.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community. May we all strive to serve with humble hearts, following the example set by Christ.

Blessings,

Mr. Richard Sampson and Mrs. Josine van den Berg

### How is My Child Doing in School?

Thank you for taking the time to meet with your child’s teacher last month at the CCA Goal Setting Conferences. It is always helpful to team with you to meet the needs of your child. Remember, staff are available to you between conferences as well. We are just a phone call or email away! PowerSchool is

another way teachers communicate online with parents about student learning throughout the year. Please contact the office if you require assistance with your login access and password. All parents are encouraged to contact their child's teacher to learn about how you can use PowerSchool online at home to follow your child's learning and progress.

### **Student Drop Offs**

Just a reminder, please do not drop off your children or turn your vehicles around in the staff parking lot. To ensure everyone's safety, we ask that you please make your way to the end of the cul-de-sac, turn around, park along the street to safely drop off your child there.

### **Remembrance Day Service**

K-8 will be attending our Remembrance Day Service on Friday, November 8th to remember the sacrifices of others and the importance of standing up for what is right. Due to the size of our gym, we have limitations on parent attendance and we are unable to accommodate parents, families, and community members at our Remembrance Day services. This is a now the reality for us as we grow into our new building and we thank you for your understanding.

## **IMPORTANT** **dates to remember**

- **Monday, November 11** - Remembrance Day - No School
- **Wednesday, November 13** - Last day to order Purdy's
- **Wednesday, December 6** - Last day to bring something for "Share your Christmas"
- **Tuesday, December 17** - Christmas Concert at Bow Valley Baptist Church (54 W Aarsby Rd, Cochrane)
- **Wednesday, December 18** - CCA Skating Party at Spray Lakes (Morning only)
- **Thursday, December 21st** - Last day to bring in Diaper Drive donations

## Numeracy Groups



### Numeracy Groups have started at CCA!

These group sessions are designed for students to thrive at their own pace, focusing on specific numeracy skills while encouraging critical thinking and teamwork. Students will learn through movement and collaborative activities, engaging in hands-on experiences that promote active participation. To ensure every child's needs are met, Numeracy Groups will rotate regularly. CCA aims to cultivate a passion for numeracy, boost confidence, and strengthen essential skills in a supportive environment that promotes deep thinking and peer interaction.

## Parent Council Message

A fundraising poster for Purdy's Fundraiser at Cochrane Christian Academy. The poster has a purple background. At the top, a red banner contains the text "COCHRANE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY". Below this, the name "Purdy's" is written in a white cursive font, and "FUNDRAISER" is written in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The text "Click on the link, enter your email and join our campaign! Once you've joined, you'll get your personal campaign link. Please use that link to share with family and friends—this ensures your supporters are connected to your fundraiser, making sorting and distribution much easier." is written in a small white font. Below this text, it says "Order Deadline: November 13th". A QR code is located in the bottom left corner. In the bottom right corner, there is a circular image of various chocolates and a red Christmas card with a white snowflake. The text "Do something awesome (for yourself and us, too!)" is written in white at the bottom right. A small URL "https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx/1171000-119896" is at the very bottom left.

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Dear CCA Community,

We are excited to share some wonderful news about our ongoing fundraising efforts! Throughout the year, the School Council has been actively working to enhance our school experience, and we're thrilled to report our progress. Our recent **Davison Apple Fundraiser raised an impressive \$2,084!** Thank you to everyone who participated and supported this initiative. Additionally, **our fun lunches have generated almost \$1000 so far this year!** Every contribution, big or small, makes a significant difference in enriching our students' experiences.

Currently, we are running our Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser, which is another fantastic opportunity to contribute. Please remember that orders are due on November 13! **The funds raised will help cover the rental costs for our upcoming Christmas concert and support the purchase of ukuleles for our music program at CCA.**

- Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1371000-119896>

We also want to remind everyone that additional donations can be made anytime online directly to Cochrane Christian Academy through CanadaHelps.org. Select Rocky View Schools and then select Cochrane Christian Academy. **You will receive a tax receipt for any donation greater than \$20.** We appreciate your continued support and involvement. Together, we can make a positive impact on our school community!

- Online Direct Donation to the school: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/rocky-view-schools/>

Warm regards,

CCA School Council

## **Congratulations** to CCA's Jr A Girls Volleyball team!

Please put your hands together and give a big round of applause to the Jr A Girls Volleyball team! They placed 3rd in the 1A Division on Wednesday, October 30th. They played hard and represented CCA well. Congrats girls!







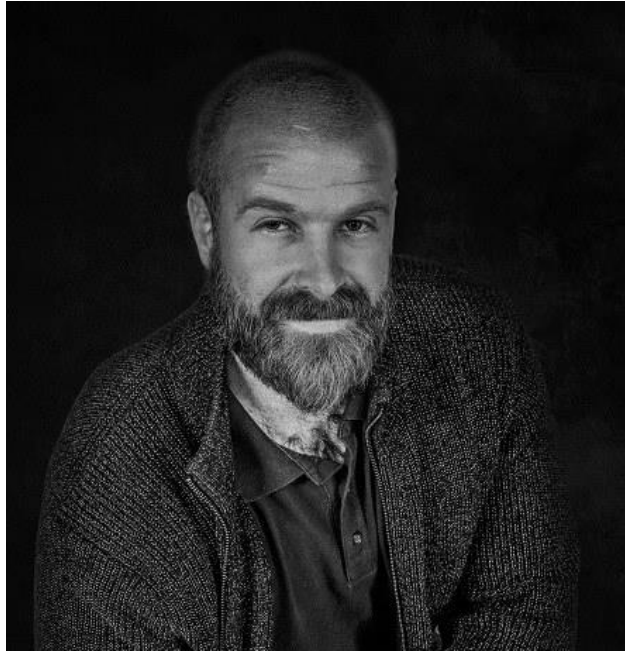
CCA Welcomes...

Sonja Allen - Learning Commons Facilitator



Hello! My name is Mrs. Allen. With excitement, I recently switched from the public library system to be in a school setting, first in Calgary, now with Rocky View Schools. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my family, going swimming, playing board games, photography, and sewing. I will be at the Learning Commons at CCA every Wednesday. I look forward to meeting you all. Helping students find the right reading material is my passion. Not sure what to read? Come see me : )

## Scott Batori - Learning Assistant



Hi everyone! I am thrilled to join the team here at CCA after relocating to Alberta from Quebec where I taught at the elementary level. Teaching guitar has also been a big part of my life, sharing my passion for music with people of all ages. I look forward to contributing to the team and getting to know everyone as I settle into this new role.

## Share your Christmas



### **Share Your Christmas (Cochrane Activettes)**

In keeping with the spirit of the Christmas season, we would like to see as many children as possible receive a gift through the "Share Your Christmas" program sponsored by the Cochrane Activettes. We will start collecting gifts on **November 6th**.

We request that the items are new and not used. Some ideas for what is needed:

- Toys for ages 9-12 boys and girls
- PJ's, mitts/gloves, socks - all ages (No other clothes)
- Books for all ages
- Family games and puzzles
- Chocolates and sweet treats
- Gift Cards
- Food items - canned



Please bring in your Christmas donation in a gift bag labeled (eg. "girl age 12") by **NOON on December 6th**.

Thank you for joining CCA to help make an impact in Cochrane this Christmas!

## Diaper Drive



Christmas can be a challenging time for moms with the everyday expenses that come with having a newborn baby and wanting to provide gifts for their little ones. This year, Leadership would like to head a Diaper Drive for the Pregnancy Care Centre. We will begin collecting diaper and wipes donations starting on **Friday, December 6th until Thursday, December 21st**.

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