

Central  
Alberta  
Christian  
High  
School

# Knights News

Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity. 1 Tim. 4:12

## PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS - GRADUATION PATHWAYS

On March 16th we hosted a registration evening where over 30 students learned about CACHS, and chose their courses for the coming Grade 10 year. As part of the course selection process, staff sat at tables with parents and students to discuss the student's needs and interests. We received largely positive feedback from the evening, but some encouraging words for improvement were offered as well.

Following up from the registration night, we learned that we have done a poor job in informing families and junior high staff about what CACHS offers in regards to special needs and resource programming. We greatly appreciate the families that committed their students to CACHS as we started our resource and special needs programming three years ago because those families took a leap of faith on a new program that has borne good fruit at CACHS. As our staff have learned more about special needs and resource programming we have become more responsive to students' needs and can serve a more diverse student population.

In response to the challenge of people not knowing what we offer at CACHS, Ms. Baltzer and Mrs. VanderVeen have been putting together our CACHS Pathways to Graduation document. The document lays out the different supports students can receive at CACHS as they pursue Alberta's three types of high school graduation – Alberta High School Diploma, Certificate of High School Achievement, and Certificate of School Completion. It is our hope that this document can bring clarity to resource and special needs programming at CACHS for current and future parents and students. It is a real blessing working in a community where parents engage staff and administration with a positive and encouraging approach, and it is our privilege as CACHS staff to work towards meeting the needs of our students.

Travis Eggink

## GRADUATION UPDATE

The Grade 12s will be heading out on the grad trip on May 24-26. They'll be visiting Invermere and are looking forward to some hiking, paintballing and maybe even some white water rafting adventures.

The Grad Committee is also busy planning the ceremony and banquet celebrations on **Saturday, June 24**. Please join us for the ceremony at **WoodyNook CRC at 3:00 pm**.



## POWERSCHOOL

Parents are encouraged to login to the PowerSchool Parent Portal to check what courses your child is enrolled in. Contact Candace if you are having login issues.

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## BOARD NOTES

Happy Spring! It is so nice the weather is getting warmer and we are able to get outside more and enjoy God's beautiful creation. We are so blessed to live in a place where we can watch the seasons change around us.

There are a few staffing changes happening in the front office. We welcome Dorien Morskate as our new Business Administrator starting May 1st. Thank-you to Rachel Otten for her year here at CACHS and her willingness to assist in the transition to a new business administrator. We will also be seeing Candace Slomp move on from her position as secretary at CACHS. Candace will continue at CACHS until the end of August at which time she will be joining the PCS staff as secretary. Candace will be missed, and we wish her God's blessing at her new placement! We are still in the process of finding a suitable individual for the secretary position at CACHS. Please pray these transitions will go smoothly!

In addition to creating a space for a new cosmetology lab the Board has approved recommendations from the Building/Renovation Committee to complete a renovation of the kitchen which includes adding two new workstations and replacing/updating electrical, countertops and backsplash.. These projects will be completed for the Fall 2023 semester with most of the funds for these projects coming from the Swing into Spring fundraiser held in March. We are excited to announce that Hailey Wildeboer, a former CACHS student, has accepted the position of the Cosmetology Instructor for the 2023-2024 school year. As course selection sheets have gone out, it is encouraging to see that there are many students across the grades choosing cosmetology as an option for next school year. We look forward to the success of this program at CACHS.

April is a busy month for the Board as we approve the budget and plan for the Society meeting in May. This is also when our current Board starts winding down and we welcome new Board members at the end of May. Please pray for us as we make these transitions. We also encourage you all to attend the Society Meeting on Monday, May 15 at 7:30pm. CACHS benefits most when we all participate and are engaged. Our next Board meeting is scheduled for May 29th and as always, feel free to contact any Board member or myself at [secretary@cachs.ca](mailto:secretary@cachs.ca) if you have any questions.

In Christ,

Andrea Thalen  
Board Secretary



# ATHLETICS & EXTRA CURRICULAR UPDATE

## **Athletics**

**Boys Basketball 2022-2023:** The CACHS Boys basketball team had an exciting year. With only one grade 12 player, it was a year of learning and growing. Our goal was to qualify for zones and we were able to accomplish that. We ended up finishing 3rd in league play. We also played in 4 tournaments, with our best result being 2nd place at the Bashaw tournament. It was awesome to grow and develop and become a team where everyone figured out what they could contribute to be the best we could be. We played our best basketball at the zone tournament. Our team represented CACHS well with incredible effort and wonderful sportsmanship all year long. Thanks to Tariku Stang, our graduating player for his 3 years of dedication to the team. Thanks to our manager Dasha who was there to fill up water bottles and keep stats all year long. Thanks to Matthew Weenink and Dan Luymes who would take time out of their busy schedules to help coach.

**Girls Basketball 2022-2023:** This season our record was 22-9. We came second in two tournaments, our own CACHS tournament and Hanna. As well as won consolation side in the settler tournament and lost in consolation in the PICS tournament. We won our league championship for a second year in a row and placed second in zones which earned us a spot at provincials. With the great season we had we were able to go into provincials ranked 5th in the province. Unfortunately with a tough loss in the consolation side semis, we ended up tying for 7th overall. It has been a really fun season with all of the girls and their dedication to the team. From starting off our season not knowing if we would have a team to qualifying for provincials was amazing! All the girls have improved their knowledge and understanding of the game, offensive and defence that hopefully transfers into the next season for those who are returning. We were blessed with a fun, kind hearted, Christ like group of girls that made the season really enjoyable to coach!

## **Extracurricular**

**Book Club:** We are discussing "The Baker's Secret" and are looking forward to going to the Calgary Library May 18th.

**Fry Fridays:** Every Friday we are in school students have the opportunity to purchase a hamburger, fries and drink for 5\$.

**Badminton:** Anyone interested in playing Badminton is invited to come to CACHS on Wednesday's at 7:00 pm. Please check the school calendar as there may be some changes.

**Handball:** Teams are doing well! CACHS is hosting Zones on May 5th and 6th, and Provincials on May 12th and 13th.

**Yearbook:** The yearbook is always looking for pictures. Please submit worthy candidates to [jvanderveen@cachs.ca](mailto:jvanderveen@cachs.ca).

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to Malia for being student of the month at CACHS for April. Malia is a friendly, positive, and hard-working student who acts with integrity and reliability. Through her diligent efforts, and innate curiosity, she excels in her classes. She fills an integral role on the graduation committee at CACHS, where she serves with enthusiasm, and creativity. When Malia is asked to do something, you know she will do it, and it will be done well. She also uses her skills on the handball court as she shows grit and positivity with her team. Malia is a real blessing to CACHS!



AND NOW THESE THREE REMAIN:

*faith, hope & love*

BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS

*love*

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

## ASSEMBLIES

Students are expected to attend all assemblies and Open Parachute time. Assemblies start at 10:10 am and alternate Fridays with Open Parachute. Parents are welcome to attend assemblies at any time. Sometimes special guests will be invited to speak at our assemblies.

Upcoming Assemblies:

May 5 - Mrs Den Oudsten

May 12 - Mr Eggink - Open Parachute

May 26 - Mrs VanderVeen



## STAFF MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - NICK DENOUDSTEN



**Q. What is your name and what is your role at CACHS?**

A. Nick DenOudsten  
- Mechanics Shop  
Instructor.

**Q. What is your favourite place?**

A. Driver's seat in the bus.

**Q. What is the strangest gift you have ever received?**

A. A little ceramic pig from a tour guide from our CACHS spring tour.

**Q. What would you do if you knew you could not fail?**

A. Jump a round at Spruce Meadows.

**Q. If you could take 3 things to a desert island what would they be?**

A. Chocolate milk, bug screen, lawn chair.

**Q. What is the worst holiday you've ever been on?**

A. First there is no bad holiday if it involves ski, horses or hiking!! My bad trip was quading at Cow Lake - it was so dry and dusty - only the lead driver didn't eat dust - worse than shoveling a canola bin out in July.

**Q. Do you prefer mornings or nights?**

A. Mornings.

**Q. Would you rather travel back in time to meet your ancestors or travel to the future to meet your descendants?**

A. Descendants.

**Q. Would you rather have invisibility or flight?**

A. Invisibility - can still observe what is happening.

**Q. If you could immediately gain one skill, what would it be?**

A. Teach - how much fun would it be to fly a helicopter?

**Q. What's your favourite family tradition?**

A. Family Christmas meal.

**Q. Who is your favourite cartoon character?**

A. Bugs Bunny

**Q. Who should be featured in our next Staff Spotlight and how would you describe them in one word?**

A. Cindy Siebenga - helpful.

# Community News...

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## THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to all our PCS Supporters for a very successful school auction! It raised \$242,000.00, with \$11,300 of that going to the sustainability fund. A great blessing for the school!

We could not have done that without all the generous donations, canvassers, buyers, and all the volunteers that helped in all areas.

Ultimately, we thank our Lord, "for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations."

We are blessed that God gives us the means to provide Christian education to our children.

Thanks, from PCS and the Auction Committee

### CACHS Catering

If you have an event that needs catering and would like to support our school, please book HT Catering by calling 403.963.2107 and ask about the possibility of making your event a CACHS Catering event. HT Catering has partnered with CACHS Catering to support our school moving forward.

CACHS Catering volunteer coordinator Lance Goedhart will assemble a team of volunteer servers and dishwashers, and HT Catering will do the rest! Events will be booked at regular HT Catering prices, but profits from these "CACHS Catering" events will then support the school.

If you are interested in joining our volunteer list please contact Lance at 403.963.0553.



## CLASSES AT A GLANCE

**Accounting:** Things are getting tougher.

**Art 10/20/30:** Watercolors and t-shirt design.

**Bible 20:** The Church: A Kingdom community.

**Biology 20:** Our brains are sweating as we talk about cellular respiration.

**Biology 30:** Counting corn kernels. Genetic research.

**Chemistry 30:** Finishing acid-base equilibrium.

**Computer Science:** Using CSS to code websites.

**Drama 10/20/30:** Memorize - Par for the Corpse.

**English 10 (Vanloo):** Dealing with racism.

**English 10: (McLeod):** Wrapping up the novel - TKAM

**English 20-1:** Kill the pig, slit her throat, spill her blood. Happy times.

**Foods:** Feeling snacky.

**Math 10C:** Understanding the point.

**Math 10-3:** The straight and narrow.

**Math 31:** We are smarter than the graphing calculator.

**Mechanics:** Finishing small engines. Starting on car maintenance. Go Karts are being worked on.

**Off Campus:** May 9th is the green certificate testing date. Time sheets need to be handed in for work experience.

**Social 10:** Wars are getting global.

**Social 20:** What have we got to be proud of?

**Social 30:** Supply side - demand side economics. Does either work?

**Science 24:** Been there, done that!

**Sport Performance:** The great outdoors.

**Welding:** Handball nets are done. Welding continues.

**World Religions:** You teach me.







# CACHS Knights Basketball Camp



**When:** August 21-24, 2023

**Where:** CACHS

**Who:** Co-Ed Junior High and Senior High

**What:** Quality instruction, games and T-Shirt

- **Going into Grades 7-9**
  - 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
  - Cost \$100 Payable to CACHS
  - Maximum 36 players
- **Going into Grades 10-12**
  - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
  - Cost \$100 Payable to CACHS
  - Maximum 24 players

To register email Veronica DenOudsten: [vdenoudsten@cachs.ca](mailto:vdenoudsten@cachs.ca)

Etransfers can be sent to [business@cachs.ca](mailto:business@cachs.ca) (please put your child's first and last name in the memo)



# TEAM HANDBALL PROVINCIALS UPDATE

**MAY 11-13, 2023**

- The tournament is this weekend, **May 11-13, 2023**
- **Many thanks to all our sponsors**--we truly couldn't run a tournament this size without you!
- We're gathering a **great group of volunteer parents and students** for a whole variety of roles.
- BUT, we are still looking to fill some positions, especially for Admission and Livestream. If you're able to help out--as a student or supporter--please follow this link to sign up: <https://signup.zone/e4fTH7SDRQLbYpmZ5>
- **Do you have a cell phone?** If so, you are qualified to help run our Livestream! Werner Brouwer is our lead, and he'll have it all set up for you. If you're planning to watch any games, consider helping out in this role. You get the best seat in the stands! Adult and student volunteers are welcome.
- **Questions?** Call/text Karissa Prins at 403-506-6251 or email [kdekon82@gmail.com](mailto:kdekon82@gmail.com)
- Hope to see many of you at the tournament, cheering on our CACHS athletes!



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