

Grade Six News

December 2018

Dates to Remember

Dec. 1	Term 1 Reports Cards emailed home
Dec. 13	Grade 6 Chapel
Dec. 14	Seasonal Headgear Day -
Dec. 17	Christmas Dress Rehearsal - off-site
Dec. 18	Div 2 Christmas Concert - students arrive by 6:40
Dec. 21	PJ Day! Christmas sing along 8:50 Last Day of School Math Fair - come test your knowledge between 11:00 am- 12:30 pm
Dec. 22	Christmas Break begins
Jan. 8	Happy New Year!! Back to School

Curriculum Updates

Language Arts

We are continuing with our *Guided Reading* program which helps students to look at the structure of a piece of writing, practice reading aloud and helps us focus on specific literary elements. (metaphors, simile, personification, etc.) We're also working on writing stories using picture prompts and strategies such as generating detail using slow motion and how to craft effective beginnings and endings.

Bible

We'll continue to use Max Lucado's book *Tell Me The Secrets* as a springboard to looking at Biblical themes. We've discussed forgiveness and peace and will be looking at the secrets of growth and love. Other classes continue to follow the *Ask Big Questions Bible* curriculum, exploring various Bible stories.

Memory Work

"Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one."

Ephesians 6:13-16

Math

Students will be beginning to work on polygons, area, perimeter and volume at the beginning of the month. We will be taking what we have learned and moving on to integers, ratio and percents towards the end of the month.

All grade 6 students have been put into groups with peers from other classes to do a math fair. Each group will be given a math problem to solve, and then tasked with creating a display to challenge others to solve the problem as well. Students will be given the opportunity to share their learning with other classes at CCS and their parents on December 21 at 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Benefits of the math fair include: math for a real purpose for a real audience, problem solving skills, mathematical reasoning, math communication, demonstrating understanding, perseverance, teamwork, motivation, and student engagement. Hope you can join us!

Social Studies - Social City

Students will show an understanding and appreciation for the organization and purpose of the local government. They will learn the intricacies of city planning: developing a vision of their city with our throughlines in mind, balancing a budget, designing and creating a functioning city. Through project-based learning, they will experience all the levels of city creation, getting a hands-on approach to municipal government. A variety of learning styles will be addressed in this project, including visual-spatial, verbal-linguistic, physical-kinesthetic, logical-mathematical, and social-interpersonal.

Science

We've started our unit on Sky Science and have already covered the phases of the moon. Make sure to ask your child about the song! We're moving onto studying the planets and then we'll be taking a look at the sun and constellations. Finally we'll be studying the Sun, how it affects seasons and eclipses.

French

The French 6 students are just wrapping up our unit on food - specifically "La pizza." We have had fun surveying our classmates with regard to pizza preferences, learning the words for pizza toppings through songs, and creating a menu for a new restaurant. As we approach Christmas, we will be talking about French Christmas traditions, as well as exploring vocabulary related to Christmas

by reading scripture, singing familiar Christmas carols and listening to the Christmas story -- all in French, of course!



Division II Christmas Concert

We are very excited to invite you to our Grade 4-6 Christmas Concert! Please join us in a special evening where we can come together as a community to rejoice in the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Christmas Concert will be held at Bethany Chapel (3333 Richardson Way SW) on Tuesday, December 18 at 7:00pm.

We are asking students to come in their "Sunday best" clothes (ie. no blue jeans, no t-shirts with logos).

Students are asked to be at the Church by 6:40 and find their homeroom teachers.

We look forward to seeing you there!

<p>Friday, December 14</p> 	<p>Hat Day</p> 	<p>Wear your favourite festive season headgear!</p>
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Comfy Cozy and Christmas Carol Day



Wear your favourite comfy cozy clothes (sweaters, sweats, PJs, slippers) and bring your favorite teddy to school. Be ready to sing Christmas songs with the whole elementary school!

