

# Fabulous Five News

November 2018

**Blessed by God to be a blessing. (from Genesis 12:2 - "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.")**

**Dear Parents,**

It's hard to believe that November is already here. September and October were busy months in our classrooms. We are setting new learning goals, learning more about God and how He is real in our lives, focusing on Canada's geography, and planning more fun-filled experiences in and out of the classroom. November is a time for "settling in for the winter" and looking forward to the learning activities.

Some interesting learning has been taking place in our classrooms. The children have been developing their writing skills over the past two months and we're pleased to let you know that these skills are being refined in each child. They have produced work that they are proud of. Celebrate your child's successes. They are doing a great job.

Parents, how is the reading going at home? Sharing a good book with your child is a great way to spend some time together. It is suggested that each night they read for at least 20 minutes as a part of our reading program. Regular reading at home is important for further development of reading skills and reading fluency. Please continue recording reading minutes at home (either in the agenda or another method that works for your family) and sending those to school at the end of the month.



## Language Arts

In Language Arts we have been refining our expository writing techniques focusing on organization, creating broad yet distinct main ideas and learning to elaborate in their written pieces. This month, students will be working with specific reading strategies such as (self monitoring, making connections and analyzing). Reading aloud to students, students participating in shared reading and working in small guided reading groups will enable them to develop strategies to grow as readers. Please continue to practice spelling at home. Words are written in agendas.

## Health

Students will continue working through lessons in the Second Step program. Skills that will be worked on include taking others' perspective, accepting differences, disagreeing respectfully, and responding with compassion.

## Bible

In 5H and 5VB we will be looking at the story of Esther, learning about how God had works planned in advance for her to do. In 5TJ we will be examining what it means to be made in the image of God and seek to see that our God is a great God and worthy of our praise.

## Memory Work

"He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:29-31

## Math

We have begun our study of multiplication and division. Students will develop strategies for estimating products and quotients, and multiplying and dividing whole numbers. Throughout the unit, they learn when estimation and mental math strategies are appropriate and effective. Please practice basic facts up to  $9 \times 9$  at home.

In this unit, your child will:

- Recall basic multiplication and division facts.
- Use different strategies to estimate products and quotients.
- Multiply and divide numbers mentally.
- Multiply a 2-digit number by a 2-digit number.
- Divide a 3-digit number by a 1-digit number.
- Pose and solve problems using whole numbers, including multi-step problems

Here is a suggestion for a game you can play at home:

### Duelling Products

Remove the jokers and face cards from a deck of playing cards.

Use aces as 1 and tens as 0.

Shuffle the cards and divide them equally between you.

- Each player turns over 2 cards and multiplies the numbers.

The player with the greater product takes all the cards.

- If both players get the same product, leave the cards on the table.

The winner of the next round takes all the cards.

The winner is the player with more cards after all the cards have been turned over.



## Social Studies

The students are continuing our work with Canada's geography as a part of God's World. We've been using mapping as a springboard into exploring the amazing diversity of this great country. We are working with a partner on researching one of the regions of Canada and will be sharing what we find with our classmates.

## Science

We will be finishing up our study of Wetlands before starting a new unit on Electricity and Magnetism (5TJ and 5VB) or Chemistry (5H). Students will be finishing a project they created on wetlands. This project helped students to review all concepts taught, including life cycles, types of wetlands, food chains and more.

Thank you so much for your support of our project for Brown Bagging for Kids. The students were excited to be community builders and servant workers as we put together the snack packs. It was a little tempting for them to nibble as they worked, but that just added to the concept of being a servant worker. These snack packs were delivered to a local school that is partnered with Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids and they were much appreciated!

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### Dates to Remember

- Nov. 2 Heartbeat Productions Chapel - 8:50 am
- Nov. 7 Student Banking/ Pizza Day (pre-order online)
- Nov. 9 Remembrance Day Chapel - 11:00 **Students are encouraged to dress up this day as a way to show respect for the day.**
- Nov. 12 No School, Remembrance Day holiday
- Nov. 13 No School, PD day
- Nov. 14 Hot Dog Day (pre-order online)
- Nov. 16 International Day (see chart below)
- Nov. 20 Fall society meeting in high school gym 7pm
- Nov. 21 Student banking and hotdog day (pre-order online)
- Nov. 20 - 22 Book Fair (not opened on Friday the 23rd)
- Nov. 21 Dress as a Book Character Day
- Nov. 26 Grandparents/Seniors Lunch
- Nov. 28 Hot Dog Day (pre-order online)
- Nov. 30 Memory Work Due  
Report Cards go home  
Hat Day



# Save the Date!

## Seniors and Grandparents Tea

### Nov 26 1:30-2:45

(Please RSVP between Nov 14 and 21 to 403-242-2896 ext. 352 or follow the link on the CCS website)



### Fair November 20 - 22, 2018

- Book Fair Hours - Tuesday, November 20 - 9:30 - 4:00  
Wednesday, November 21 - 8:30 - 4:00  
Thursday, November 22 - 8:30 - 1:30 **Note the ending time!**
- Wednesday, November 21 ► Dress up like a book character.
- The library is closed during this week. Students will visit the Book Fair with their classrooms.

*Please remember that GST is NOT included in the price on the books.*

The funds raised at the book fair are used to purchase new books for the elementary library. There will be three vendors: The library, Christian Books through Linda at Living Books, and Usborne books with Josanna. All three vendors will be located in the library.

<p>Friday, November 16</p> 	<p>International Day (Whole school community event!)</p>	<p>Celebrate Cultural Diversity by wearing national dress or flag colours.</p>
<p>Wednesday, November 21</p>	<p>Book Character Day</p> 	<p>Come to school dressed as your favorite book character</p>
<p>Friday, November 30</p>	<p>Hat Day</p>	