

August 23, 2017

Summer Flapper

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Calendar of Events

August 28, Monday

- First day for teachers 8:00 a.m. all week

September 5, Tuesday

- First day of school – 11:00 a.m. dismissal
- Muffin Social – 8:50 a.m.

September 6, Wednesday

- First full day of school
- Preschool first day

September 8, Friday

- Welcome Barbecue
- New parent orientation – 6:30 p.m.

September 12, Tuesday

- Elementary Parent Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

September 13, Wednesday

- H.S. Parent Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

September 25, Monday

- Early Dismissal – 2:05 p.m.

September 26, Tuesday - Picture Day individual student photos 8:45 am

October 5/6

- Teacher's Conference, Surrey, BC NO SCHOOL

October 9, Monday

- Thanksgiving Day – NO SCHOOL

October 16, Tuesday

- Midterm Reports for High School

October 30, Monday

- Early Dismissal 2:05 p.m.

November 9/10 Thurs/Friday

- PD days – TFT follow up course work NO SCHOOL

November 13, Monday

- Remembrance Day – NO SCHOOL

November 17, Friday

- H.S. Report Card #1

November 22, Wednesday

- Report Card writing Elementary teachers NO SCHOOL K-7

November 27, Monday

- Gr 8-12 Parent Teacher Interviews
- Early Dismissal
- Society meeting – 7:30pm

November 28, Tuesday

- Gr 8-12 Parent Teacher Interviews
- No school for Gr 8-12 students

December 1, Friday

- Report Card #1 K-7

December 4, Monday

- K-7 Parent/teacher interviews evening

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Welcome to the 2017-2018 School Year!

We are excited to start up again here at CCS and look forward to all that God has in store for our school community in September and beyond. We continue to be amazed at God's faithfulness to our school and its community as we move into the next 50 years of Centennial Christian School. We are thrilled to have **Mrs. Susan Lehman** join us this year as she teaches in the grade 1/2 class. Mrs. Lehman is the wife of Grade 6/7 teacher Mr. Jeff Lehman. We also welcome **Mrs. Laurie Arcadi** to Team CCS as she begins her job as Educational Assistant in the grade 8/9 class. Our new Development Coordinator, **Mrs. Estelle Lombard** takes on her new duties at the school this year and we welcome her to a different role at CCS.

We look forward to familiar and new faces at CCS next year as we get started September 5. We trust that all will feel welcomed, supported and loved as they walk through the doors of CCS into a new community. The teaching staff will get started already this coming Monday with meetings and planning sessions and we ask that you pray for them and our entire school as we get ready to fulfill our mission of Head – Heart – Hands: Learning in and with Community.

This newsletter is packed with information for you as parents as we start a new school year together. Please read it carefully and let us know if you have any questions. See you all soon.

Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal



Muffin Social

The first day of school brings together many new and old faces. We would like to invite you to a get-acquainted social before the opening assembly on Tuesday, September 5, beginning at approximately 8:50 a.m. We will gather in the main foyer. **We ask returning parents to please bring along a dozen muffins or baked goods to be enjoyed by both new and returning parents.** Coffee and juice will be served. See you there!

Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal

Opening Assembly – Half Day of School

We will have an opening assembly on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 5, at 10:15 a.m. You are invited to attend. Come for the muffin social and stay for the assembly! Students are dismissed after the assembly around 11:00 a.m.

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Opening Barbeque – Friday, Sept. 8

We invite the entire Centennial Christian School community to our kickoff barbecue on Friday, September 8, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Hot dogs, hamburgers, salads and drinks will be on sale. Everyone is welcome! It is a great time to meet your child's teacher and other parents of students in your child's grade. If you are willing to help out in any way, please call Elaine Veldman at 250-635-9005.

Hearts and Hands

Tuition 2017/2018

At our June meeting the following tuition levels were approved by the board:

Families with 1 child - \$6158

Families with 2 children - \$6615

Families with 3 or more children - \$6958

In order to streamline tuition payments we require that all families choosing to pay monthly, sign up for pre-authorized tuition payments. This will help you and the school to save time and money by reducing the number of cheques. Tuition will be paid in one of the following ways:

- pay the yearly tuition in a lump sum by September 29
- bring a void cheque to school from the account that you wish to pay tuition (tuition can be taken out on a 10 month or 12 month plan)
- if you do not have a cheque, request a form from you banking institution that has your banking information
- request an exception from the bookkeeper and Principal for an alternate method of payment.

Pre authorized debit forms are due in to the front office by Tuesday, September 5. Families who signed the pre authorized debit forms last year do not have to sign again provided that their banking information has not changed. Thank you.

Please continue to pray for wisdom for our Board as they continue to seek God's will for our school.

The Board

New Parent Orientation Evening

Friday, September 8

Our New Parent Orientation Evening will take place on Friday, September 8 at 6:30 pm in room #7. New parents to our school are asked to attend, as are parents who have missed this evening in previous years. Attendance is important, as a full society membership depends on it and it is an excellent opportunity to connect to our school community. See you there! This meeting will take place after the opening BBQ and child care will be provided in the gym.

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Christmas and Spring!

For all those who like to plan ahead, our dates for Christmas break are Friday December 22 to Sunday, January 7 and for Spring Break Saturday, March 10 to Sunday, March 25.



TOC and EA Subs Needed Next Year!

Centennial Christian is inviting applications and resumes from anyone interested in being a TOC (Teacher on Call) or an EA (Educational Assistant) substitute for the 2017/2018 school year. Please drop you resume off at the front office. Thank you.

Interested candidates are invited to inquire, or to send applications including cover letter and resumé to:

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Pre-School Assistant Needed!

Due to increasing numbers in Pre-school, Centennial Christian School is looking for a **Pre-School Assistant** for the 2017-2018 school year on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. If you are interested in this position please submit your resume to principal@centennialchristian.ca. Applicants should have experience working with young children and preferably have taken at least one ECE (Early Childhood Education) course.

Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal

School Supply List

Parents please note that the students are asked to have the following supplies for the 2017/2018 school year:

Preschool

- Indoor shoes suitable for gym use

Kindergarten – Grade 7

- Indoor shoes suitable for gym use
- markers
- pencil case
- pencil crayons

Grades 4 - 7

- Blue/black and red pens.

Grade 8 - 12

- Loose-leaf paper (for the year)
- Pencils - Binders with dividers
- Blue/black and red pens
- Calculator with basic Math and Science functions e.g. TI 30 (Gr 8-10 only)
- Math set with compass, protractor, ruler



Hearts and Hands

Parents of Centennial students.... Join us as we start off the school year with our first event on **Tuesday, Aug 29, - 7:00 pm @ Cafenara**. Come have a cup of coffee and meet some parents from the school. We will let you know what Hearts and Hands is all about and we will begin planning the Opening School BBQ and our amazing October Pie Day!! Any questions contact Elaine Veldman ([250-635-9005](tel:250-635-9005) or evelman@telus.net).



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Staffing for 2017/2018

We are pleased to have our teaching staff and support staff in place for next year!
Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow:

Teaching Staff:

Pre-School - Mrs. Bev Mantel
 Kindergarten - Mrs. Trish Rolleman
 Grade 1/2 - Mrs. Susan Lehman
 Grade 2/3 - Mrs. Jeanette Ewald/Mrs. Anita Struyk
 Grade 4/5 - Ms. Ashley Hall
 Grade 6/7 - Mr. Jeff Lehman
 Grade 8/9 - Mr. Tim Block
 Grade 10 - Mrs. Diane Leffers
 Grade 11/12 - Mr. Joshua Kui
 Learning Assistance/Special Education - Mrs. Jana Pelletier
 High School Learning Assistance/Elem Math - Mrs. Lucy Roseboom
 Music/Band/Drama - Mrs. Kimberly Lindsay
 Development/Coordinator - Mrs. Estelle Lombard
 Assistant Principal - Mrs. Ella Ringma
 Principal - Mr. Edgar Veldman

Support Staff:

Administrative Assistant - Mrs. Charlene Brown
 Bookkeeper - Mrs. Michelle Tanguay
 Special Ed Assistant - Gr 2/3 - Mrs. Karen Menz
 Special Ed Assistant - Gr. 1/2 - Mrs. Crystal Whitford
 Special Ed Assistant - Gr. 10 - Mrs. Tracey Braam
 Special Ed Assistant - Gr. 2/3 - Mrs. Shannon Kumpolt
 Special Ed Assistant - Gr. 4/5 - Mrs. Debbie Mantel
 Special Ed Assistant/Education Assistant - Gr. 6/7 - Mrs. Marybeth Esau
 Special Ed Assistant/Education Assistant - Gr. 6/7 - Ms. Rayna Braam
 Special Ed Assistant - Kindergarten - Ms. Siobhan Hawyees
 Education Assistant - Gr. 8/9 - Mrs. Laurie Arcadi
 Librarian/Learning Assistance EA - Mrs. Betty Terpstra
 Distance Education Coordinator - Mrs. Ruth Magee
 Custodian - Mr. Marino Qualizza
 Maintenance - Mr. John Vandavelde

Preschool

This year the Preschool will be running 2 morning classes; a Monday, Wednesday and Friday class and also a Tuesday and Thursday class. Preschool begins on Wednesday, September 6. Interested parents can come into the school to register or find registration information and forms on our website, www.centennialchristian.ca

Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal



Parent/Teacher Meetings

Education is a parental responsibility. Our school community recognizes the truth of this statement and it is why you have chosen to enrol your children at Centennial Christian School. You have commissioned us with a large part of that responsibility and we take it on in partnership with you.

In order to further this partnership, we welcome you to our annual Parent/Teacher meetings. On two evenings this month, teachers will host meetings in their homerooms. The object of these meetings is to set the groundwork for the school year to come; we will share our plans with you and ask you to give us information that will allow us to best teach your child. Please plan on attending, but do not bring your children; we need quality time with you!

Meeting evenings are as follows:

September 12, Tuesday - for parents of students in Grades 1 - 7

- 6:30 pm - Grade 1
- 7:00 pm - Grade 2/3
- 7:30 pm - Grade 4/5
- 8:00 pm - Grade 6/7

September 13, Wednesday - for parents of students in Grades 8 - 12

- 7:00 pm - Grade 8/9
- 7:30 pm - Grade 10
- 8:00 pm - Grade 11
- 8:30 pm - Grade 12

In order to strengthen our partnership and communication with you, we need to see you there.

*On behalf of all teachers,
Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal*

Early Dismissal Days

In order to promote curriculum review, development, and collaboration the Board and Education Committee of Centennial Christian School approved one early dismissal day per month. Generally, on the **last Monday of each month** students will be dismissed an hour early at 2:05 pm to allow staff to work on curriculum and professional development. The following is the schedule of these 2:05 pm early dismissal days for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Monday, September 25
- Monday, October 30
- Monday, November 27
- Monday, December 18
- Monday, January 29
- Monday, February 26
- Monday, March 26
- Monday, April 30
- Monday, May 28
- Monday, June 18

Please mark these early dismissal days on your calendar!

Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal



Starting Dates/Times

Students in **Grades 8 - 12** will begin classes at **8:40 a.m.** School hours for Grades K - 7 will be the same as last year, with the first bell ringing at 8:50 a.m. Dismissal for all grades is 3:05 p.m.

Tuesday, September 5, only, classes will run from 8:50 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Regular hours begin Wednesday, September 6.

Preschool begins on Wednesday, September 6.

Kindergarten will be five full days a week this year. The schedule is as follows for the first three weeks:

- Week of September 5 – mornings
- Week of September 11 – Monday, Wednesday, Friday – half days
Tuesday and Thursday – full days
- Week of September 18 – Monday, Wednesday, Friday – full days
Tuesday and Thursday – half days
- Week of September 25 – full days

The following is the class schedule for **High School** (Grades 8 - 12) classes:

8:40 a.m. - first bell
 8:43 - 8:53 – Homeroom Block
 8:53 - 9:55 a.m. - Devotions Period 1
 9:58 - 11:00 a.m. - Period 2
 11:10 a.m. - 12:12 p.m. - Period 3
 12:12 - 12:55 p.m. - Lunch
 12:58 - 2:00 p.m. - Period 4
 2:03 - 3:05 p.m. - Period 5

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Flapper by E-mail

This newsletter has been E-mailed to all those in our school E-mail database. We ask all parents to add their E-mail address to our school database so you may receive your Friday Flapper electronically. We find that this is the most effective way to get this weekly information to parents. Please contact Charlene in the school office to add your name to our E-mail list. The Flapper can also be viewed on our website at www.centennialchristian.ca. This is the main method by which we communicate with you. **Please read it regularly.**

Mr. Edgar Veldman, Principal

