



# Cornerstone Christian Academy

Christ-centered education makes a difference!

January 15, 2019

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to 2019! We hope your Christmas Break was a blessing for you and for each person in your family.

Term Two Report cards will be given to students on January 31. Secondary students writing final exams have been given study guides from their teachers. Even though class time is used for review, students need to assume responsibility to study their course materials on a regular basis at home. Regular review of material is more beneficial than cramming the night before an exam. A good sleep and a good breakfast in the morning help students stay alert and better able to concentrate during a test. Diploma exams must be written on the scheduled date, whether buses are running or not. Grade 10, 11, and 12 students who have completed all their coursework are not required to be at school from January 22 – January 30 unless they are writing an exam. All secondary students at school will be in supervised classrooms during exam week.

A heartfelt thanks is extended to Moms and Dads who have been so instrumental in our library, Chapels, classrooms, teams, hot lunch preparations, and office. The students enjoy interacting with the adult assistants at the school; staff have commented many times on the community being built among students, helpers, and staff. Thank you also to our Society Board members for all they do to support our school program.

Sincerely, Alan Welde

### Senior High Exam Schedule

Monday, January 14, AM: **English 30 Diploma Part A**  
Tuesday, January 22 AM: **Social 10**  
Tuesday, January 22 AM: **ELA 20**  
Wednesday, January 23 AM: **Math 10**  
Wednesday, January 23 AM: **Math 20**

Wednesday, January 23 AM: **Math 30 Diploma**  
Thursday, January 24 AM: **Science 20**  
Thursday, January 24 AM: **English 30 Diploma Part B**  
Wednesday, January 30 AM: **Science 30 Diploma**

### January/February Dates to Remember

Monday, January 14: FundScrip orders due  
Wednesday, January 16: Secondary Chapel with Pastor Loewen  
Tuesday, January 15: Society pizza hot lunch  
Thursday, January 24: Elementary Chapel  
Friday, January 25: Exam day: Senior high students only at school  
Wednesday, January 30: Secondary Chapel with Pastor Bueckert  
Thursday, January 31: Term Two Report Cards issued  
Monday, February 4: Semester Two begins  
Thursday, February 7: Elementary Chapel  
Monday, February 11: Parent Meeting, 7:00 PM  
Monday, February 18: Family Day, no classes  
Tuesday, February 19: Society hot lunch  
Thursday, February 21: Elementary Chapel  
Thursday, February 21: Society Board Meeting, 7:00 PM  
Friday, February 22: Regular classes

### Basketball Update

Both teams continue to practice on Monday evening, the Girls from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM, the Boys from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The Boys also practice Tuesdays from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Parents who drive students other than their own children are required to complete an insurance form that confirms you have sufficient coverage; please check with your child's coach for a copy of the form if you have not received one. We will use the CCA buses as much as possible to send students to other schools, but for some games –

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such as games played at Viking - private rides must be arranged.

A revised games schedule is as follows:

January 16: Hay Lakes @ CCA

January 21: CCA @ Ryley

January 23: Round @ CCA

January 28: CCA @ Killam

February 6: Tofield @ CCA

February 13: CCA @ Hay Lakes

Coaches will provide additional details about the January tournament in Tofield.

### **Temperature Guidelines for Outdoor Recesses**

It's that time of year when Old Man Winter causes havoc with our outdoor recesses. As a general guideline, please know we will keep students indoors when the temperature [including wind chill] drops below -20 Celsius. Elementary students will have use of the gym during morning and afternoon recesses, and secondary students will use the gym at noon. When elementary students are not in the gym, they will be in supervised classrooms.

Please ensure your students are getting on the bus with clothes suitable for the weather, including winter footwear, gloves, and toque/head wear. Snow pants and extra socks in the backpack are always handy!

### **ACCOUNTABILITY PILLAR SURVEYS**

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators consisting of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of

quality; student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates; and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey. In January, parents of students in grades 4 – 12 will receive a survey from Alberta Education. In February, students in grades 4 - 12 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with the school.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly. Few responses to the Accountability Survey were submitted last year, largely due to the uncertainty of CCA's future. I would encourage you to complete the 2018/2019 survey forms to help us develop the best possible program for your children. Your involvement is greatly appreciated.

Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2019, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports in November 2019.

### **Staff Wish List**

Miss Stewart is looking for a few items for her music class in January. If you are able to donate any of these items, please contact her at [mstewart@cornerstonekingman.ca](mailto:mstewart@cornerstonekingman.ca), to make sure she doesn't end up with too many of any items.

- One or two 35L plastic garbage can(s)
- One 6G metal bucket
- Two 1G metal paint buckets
- Two #10 (3Q) metal cans

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- Eighteen to Twenty 5G plastic pails. These items don't need to be new but we do request that they are clean, and empty. If you want any of them back, please label them with your name and indicate in your e-mail to her that you'd like them back. Thank you in advance!

### **Volunteer Hours**

Volunteer Hour Tally sheets will be emailed to parents the week of January 14<sup>th</sup>. Please check your email to ensure you receive it, and confirm that the reported/calculated time is correct. If you have completed volunteer work between September and December 2018, but do not receive a tally sheet via email, or notice a discrepancy on your form, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

The time reported/calculated on these tally sheets will be applied as a tuition credit on the current year tuition owing. Tuition statements will be sent out at the end of January.