



Dear Trailblazing Parents and Families,

Can you believe we only have two more weeks of school before the winter break? Where did the time go? I also want to give a shout out to our grade 7 & 8 band students who performed on Thursday at the CCHS Winter Concert. Our kids played so well, and I am blown away by the musical talent here!

A Few Things

Winter Concert @ LGMS

LGMS is excited to announce that we will be hosting our winter concert on **Wednesday, December 11th from 6:30pm until 7:30pm**. Guests will experience musical performances from grade 5 and 6 students.

Parent Council

Our next Parent Council meeting of the year will be Thursday, December 12th from 7pm until 8:30pm in person at LGMS. All parents are welcome. If you are unable to attend in person, you can attend virtually, by logging into [the google meet](#).

Integrated School Support Program (ISSP) Parent Survey & Consent

This year LGMS has received special funding through the ISSP. This is an early intervention and prevention initiative that is intended to provide essential services to address a variety of needs in diverse schools. The aim is to provide wrap-around services that may include a positive police presence, on-site mental health worker (Ms.Ashley), physical education specialist, breakfast and lunch programs and after school programs. The ISSP wants to evaluate how well this program is working and is asking for parents and students to take part in the study by completing a parent survey. **Parents can complete the parent survey and fill in consent for their child(ren) to complete the survey here:**

https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_cZpcv5WCBH2sCIm.

Textiles Club Looking for Donations

Ms. Reinhart is looking for donations in preparation for starting a Textiles Club. She is looking for donations of textile materials and tools to create some exciting projects. She is looking for any of the following items:

- Various needles/hooks (sewing needles, felting needles, crochet hooks, knitting needles, etc.)
- Thread in any colour (to practice sewing)
- Felting wool (for needle felting)
- Felting foam blocks (for needle felting)
- Finger guards/thimbles for using sewing and felting needles
- Measuring tapes, pins, fabric paint and any other textile materials and tools

Any donations, regardless of size, are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the office during school hours. If you have any questions, please contact courtney.reinhart@crps.ca. The Textile Club thanks you in advance for your consideration.

Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) Sessions

The SWIS team is offering the following free SWIS events, aimed at foreign-born students, parents, and family members.

1. Positive Ways to Parent
Tuesdays: January 14, 21, 28, and February 4
Time: 6:00–7:00 pm (online via Zoom)
Pizza will be provided.
[Register here](#)
2. Schooling in Canada: Open Discussion and Skill Building
Monday, January 20, 2025
Time: 6:00–7:30 pm (online via Zoom)
Pizza will be provided.
[Register here](#)
3. Schooling in Canada: Grade to Grade
Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2025
Time: 6:00–7:30 PM (online via Zoom)
Pizza will be provided.
[Register here](#)

Other Resources

[Right From the Start Blog](#)
[Family Connection Centre](#)
[Schools Healthier Together - Parent Resources](#)
[Alberta Health Services: Healthy Together](#)
[Government of Alberta: Children's Mental Health](#)
<https://mykickstand.ca/connect>

Important Dates in December & January

December 10-12 - LGMS students attend CCHS' performance of Matilda Jr
Wednesday, December 11 - Gr 5 & 6 Winter Concert @ LGMS - 6:30pm-7:30pm
Thursday, December 12 - Parent Council 7pm
Friday, December 13 - PLN Afternoon – Students dismissed at 12:00 pm
Monday, December 16 - Knowledge Keeper Visit
Wednesday, December 18 - Pizza Day
Friday, December 20 - Students dismissed at 12:00 pm
Monday, January 6 - Back to School
Wednesday, January 8 - Pizza Day
Thursday, January 9 - Parent Council Meeting 7-8:30pm
Friday, January 17 - Special Assembly for Students
Friday, January 17 - Half Day Friday
Monday, January 20 - Knowledge Keeper Visit
Wednesday, January 22 - Pizza Day
Friday, January 31 - Progress Reports Released to Parent Portal

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at the school either by phone (403) 678-6006 or email.

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