



# Christ Church Cathedral School

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Dear Parents,

**Open House:** Tomorrow, Friday Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, we are opening the School to visitors from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., especially for those who might be interested in finding out more about our Middle School. This is not only directed towards families who are not yet enrolled in our School but also to those families from Grade 4 and 5 whose children will be entering Middle School in the next two years. Come by and see our Middle School at work, and tell your friends!

**Christmas Performance:** This takes place in the Cathedral at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. The Concert Choir will start the evening, followed by a performance of "The Raggedy King", a nativity play performed by the children from kindergarten to grade 5. The evening will end with a band performance by our Middle School students.

**Jingle Bell Swim:** In the afternoon on Thursday Dec 17<sup>th</sup> we will be heading to the Crystal Pool for a whole School swim. Details are on the permission form which is coming home today.

**Grade 5 Choir:** The Grade 5 children will be performing as part of the children's choirs at City Hall on Monday Dec 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:20 p.m. You are very welcome to drop by the City Hall and see them perform.

**Last Day of School:** On December 18<sup>th</sup> we close at mid-day. Lux Mundi care is available during the afternoon but will close at 5:00 p.m. to enable the staff to attend our staff Christmas party.

**Tyee Aquatic Club:** Christ Church Cathedral School **will** participate in the Swim Club for the next term. The first session will be Tuesday January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010. If your child is interested in joining the swim club for the next term please sign up in the School office or let Bev know by Friday December 11<sup>th</sup>. It is necessary to sign up even if your child participated in the fall term; we want to make sure we have all the names so there is no confusion. More information will go home to those families that are interested.

**CCCS Christmas Outreach:** This year we are teaming up with the Mustard Seed Food Bank to help Victoria's less privileged teens and tots. We are focussing on cash donations and gift cards which will give parents the opportunity to go shopping to purchase gifts for their tots or teens. Gift cards may also be given to teens to make their own choices. Some ideas are HMV, The Bay or Sears or other store of your choosing that would give lots of gift options, Tim Horton's, etc. We will be collecting for this wonderful cause until December 14<sup>th</sup>. Please see Todd if you have any questions.

**Thrifty's Smile Card:** Way to go everyone, our Smile Card Fundraising is just over \$1000.00. Please keep using those cards as we move into the holiday season! Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts in order to keep our outdoor education programs running!

**HELP!** Parents we need your help! Most of the sweaters and ties are being labeled but they still seem to go missing. Please look through all your son's or daughter's uniform items this weekend in case you have some strays. Currently we have a number of families that are missing labeled uniform items. Thank you!

**PSG Report:** Don't forget to check out this week's creation by Paul Longley!

Sincerely,

*Charles*

# The Parent Support Group Report

Thursday, Dec 3rd, 2009

“It’s Déjà vu all over again” – Yogi Berra

Today’s I’ve-seen-that-before PSG report is inspired by the cookie cutter.

Future editions will resume our goal of informative novelty and bemusement, but for this edition the reminder is the message. **WE’VE CRANKED UP THE FONT SIZE – PLEASE CONSIDER THE SILENT AUCTION AND WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE:**



## Annual Family Christmas Potluck Dinner & Silent Auction



It’s only eight days until our **Annual Family Christmas Potluck Dinner and Silent Auction** to be held **Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**. It’s community, it’s turkey, it’s friendship, I hear it’s also ham, it’s relationships, it’s mashed potatoes and laughs and a special opportunity for strengthening our school and writing run-on sentences. If you would like to volunteer, please contact a member of the PSG and/or submit the Potluck Dinner volunteer form by **Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**.



**The auction will take place the day of the dinner, Friday December 11<sup>th</sup>**. Items will go on display around noon.



# ***DONATED ITEMS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS AUCTION***

We are asking families to consider donating a new or as-new item. Please search your home for any appropriate items; ask your friends with businesses to consider donating (an official request letter was attached to the last two PSG reports); or have fun purchasing something new. Donated items do not need to be Christmas themed. Remember, all proceeds are for the **new playground**.



**(Not exactly as shown)**



Please bring your item and a description (if needed) to Bev in the school office by **Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

## **MY LITTLE ONE – Tennessee Williams**

My little one whose tongue is dumb,  
whose fingers cannot hold to things,  
who is so mercilessly young,  
he leaps upon the instant things,

I hold him not. Indeed, who could?  
He runs into the burning wood.  
Follow, follow if you can!  
He will come out grown to a man

and not remember whom he kissed,  
who caught him by the slender wrist  
and bound him by a tender yoke  
which, understanding not, he broke.

## BC HEALTHY KIDS DENTAL PROGRAM

### **Basic dental coverage is available for children through the Healthy Kids Program.**

Dependant children under 19 years of age may be covered for dental care if the family:

- ◆ Is approved to receive premium assistance for BC Medical Services Plan (MSP)

Children are eligible for up to \$700.00 per child for basic dental services per calendar year. This includes services such as exams, x-rays, fillings, cleanings and extractions. The program does not cover orthodontic treatment. Healthy Kids may not cover all of the costs and there may be additional charges for each visit. Before treatment begins, confirm that your dentist is accepting children covered by the BC Healthy Kids Program, and what part of the services will be covered.

To use the services, take your child's BC Care Card to the dental office and they will confirm coverage before each appointment.

### **To find out if your child is covered call:**

- ◆ **1-866-866-0800 Press "4" and then "2" (have your child's Care Card Number handy)**

Or access the website at [www.eia.gov.bc.ca/bchealthykids/](http://www.eia.gov.bc.ca/bchealthykids/)

For more information contact:

- ◆ VIHA Child, Youth and Family Community Health Dental:

Victoria	250-519-5100
Nanaimo	250-755-7855
Port Alberni	250-724-1281
Courtenay	250-338-6555
Campbell River	250-850-2124
Toll Free	1-800-663-7867