

# BRANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015

*"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1Peter 4:10*

### Coming Up:

- Dec. 9 – Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal (including BAND students)  
Dec. 10 – **EARLY DISMISSAL – 2:00 PM**  
Dec. 10 – Christmas Concert Performance @ 7:00 pm (BCS gymnasium)  
(Includes BAND students)  
Dec. 10 – Hot Lunch – Pizza  
Dec. 11 – Friday OFF – No School  
Dec. 16 – Chapel  
Dec. 17 – Hot Lunch – Taco in a Bag  
Dec. 18 – Friday OFF – No School  
Dec. 21 – Jan. 3 – Christmas Holidays  
Jan. 4 – Back to School!  
Jan. 7 – Hot Lunch – Hot Dogs  
Jan. 8 – Friday OFF – No School  
Jan. 13 – Chapel  
Jan. 14 – Hot Lunch – Taco in a Bag  
Jan. 15 – Friday OFF – No School  
Jan. 21 – Hot Lunch – Subway  
Jan. 22 – Friday ON  
Jan. 27 – Sr. High Tijuana Mission Trip (leaving today, returning Feb. 3)  
Jan. 28 – Hot lunch – Pizza  
Jan. 29 – Teacher PD – No school for students  
Feb. 1 – Teacher PD – No school for students  
Feb. 4 – Hot Lunch – Hot Dogs  
Feb. 5 – Friday ON  
Feb. 10 – Chapel  
Feb. 11 – Hot Lunch – Taco in a Bag  
Feb. 12 – Friday OFF – No School  
Feb. 15 – 19 – No School for Students (Family Day, Teacher PD, etc.)  
Feb. 25 – Brant Christian School Family Ski Trip @ Nakiska  
Feb. 25 & 26 – Sr. High Overnight Ski Trip

More to come.....

**WE ARE EXCITED THAT STARTING IN JANUARY THE HOT LUNCH ORDERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR ONLINE PAYMENT!**

GO TO YOUR SCHOOL CASH ACCOUNT  
AND CHECK IT OUT! 😊

**IMPORTANT:** Please send in paper copy of order form and check "Online" for payment option. Thanks!

### In Your Black Bag:

- January Hot Lunch Forms
- January Calendar
- School Fee Invoices for outstanding amounts
- Ski Trip Info & Forms

### Chapels

Please join us!

Please check your monthly calendar to find out dates or go to our website at [www.brantchristianschool.ca](http://www.brantchristianschool.ca).

**Next Chapel: Wed., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>**

#### Chapel Times:

1:15 pm - Gr. 1-6  
2:15 pm - Worship (all grades)  
Gr. 7-12 to follow worship time

We welcome you to stay informed of what is happening at Brant Christian School by going onto our website:

[www.brantchristianschool.ca](http://www.brantchristianschool.ca)

and checking out our "Recent School News" section at the bottom of our homepage to see frequent news updates from our Principal.

Our website is the best way to find out about bus delays and/or school closures as we approach winter.

## BUS REMINDERS:

As we approach the winter months please remember:

- For bus delays or to find out whether your bus is running please go to [www.brantchristianschool.ca](http://www.brantchristianschool.ca) and on the left hand side there is a “go” tab for BUS UPDATES directly from Southland Dispatch.
- School closures due to weather or any other reason will also be posted on our website’s homepage. For weather related closures only, please also listen to AM1140.
- **For safety reasons please ensure that you are at the bus stop early to pick up your children afterschool** or please arrange with another parent to watch for your child(ren) if you might be late. This is to ensure no students are left unattended as buses are not required to wait.
- Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather as buses, without notice, can periodically break down.

Working together to keep our students safe on the road!

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT NEWS

GRADE 5-12 STUDENTS who have parts in the production, please arrive by 6:15 pm.

The GRADE 1 - 4 STUDENTS have been working very hard this past month to prepare some songs for our Christmas concert. We will be performing on Wednesday December 9th at 1:00pm and on Thursday December 10th at 7:00pm. Students are required to be in the music room by 6:30pm, so that we may warm up before the performance. Concert dress for the evening performance is Christmas dresses and dress shirts/pants.

The GRADE 5/6 AND 7-12 BAND STUDENTS have been working very hard the past month to prepare for our very first Christmas concert.

- **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>** will be a full run thru. Meet in the band room at 12:30 pm.
- We will be performing on **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 9TH** at 1:00pm. Please help your child to remember to bring their instrument and music to school on that day, since it is not a usual band day. We will meet in the band room at 12:15 pm in concert dress, ready to warm up and tune.
- As well, we will perform on **THURSDAY DECEMBER 10TH** at 7:00pm. Students are required to be in the music room by 6:00pm, so that we may warm up and tune before the performance.

Just a reminder, that concert dress for both performances is black bottoms (dress pants/skirt, socks/tights, and dress shoes), and a white, long-sleeved, collared dress shirt, as well black ties for boys.

### GRAD BAKE SALE

To follow the concert on Thursday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>.

Please feel free to donate baked items to our bake sale if you would like.

Your donations are greatly appreciated by our 3 graduates. 😊

### PLEASE NOTE:

**EARLY DISMISSAL ON THURSDAY, DEC. 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 2:00 PM. PLEASE MAKE SURE THERE IS SOMEONE AT THE BUS STOP AT LEAST 1 ¾ HRS AHEAD OF NORMAL. THANK YOU!**



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Hello everyone,

At the time of my last message, I was looking forward to our second annual Student Leadership Conference called Discover U: Explore. Create. Achieve. It turns out Nov. 23 and the work of about 500 Grade 7-12 students may have been one of the best days Palliser has ever had. I would certainly put it in the same orbit, pardon the pun, as a 2009 event when Palliser students were able to speak live with astronauts aboard the International Space Station.

Discover U was a chance for our students to be inspired and to start building action plans for change. As our keynote speaker, author and musician David Usher said, creativity is a process that can be learned. It's not a flash from the blue. It takes work, learning, drawing from ideas and building new ones.

In the audience that day were students from tiny rural communities, side by side with students from Calgary. We had students from all walks of life and faiths including, for the first time, our Islamic students. The only student group not represented was our Hutterite colony students, and I'd love to see them participate next time.

To open the day, we asked students to indicate by show of hands how many had travelled outside Canada and the United States and how many spoke a second language. Pretty clearly our students have had opportunities and experiences I never had as a kid in rural Saskatchewan.

Early feedback we've received from students has been very positive, and comments about the inclusive nature of the event were quite powerful. I suspect the power of the day will be even more apparent once our students have had time to work on their action plans to champion change for the better.

Thank you to all who worked on organizing this event, especially the student leaders who led breakout sessions, set up the venue, and welcomed their peers from across the division. It was a great Palliser day.

With that, I wish you and yours Merry Christmas, happy holidays or a great winter break. However you use your time off, I hope you enjoy it with family and friends.

Kevin Gietz, Superintendent  
Palliser Regional Schools