

# CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## APRIL 5, 2024 NEWSLETTER

### BASKETBALL SEASON REFLECTIONS

#### **Grade 4 Boys and Girls Basketball**

The grade 4 boys and girls were kindly invited to St. Jude's school for a jamboree tournament against St. Jude's and Our Lady of Sorrows. The girls started the day winning 1 out of 2 games. The girls had some tough opponents and showed lots of courage in what was some of the girls first basketball games ever. The boys showed some excellent basketball skills winning 2 out of 2 games. Having very little practice together the boys worked as a team and showed great sportsmanship. Ms. Groarke and Ms. Dowling had a wonderful time coaching the grade 4 boys and girls. Well done everyone.



#### **Grade 5 boys Basketball**

The grade 5 boys had a wonderful basketball season this year. We had 4 friendly league games against St. Andrews, St. Francis Xavier, St. Jude's and Blessed Sacrament. The boys won 3 out of 4 of their games, narrowly missing out on winning all 4 by one point. Ms. Groarke and Ms. Dowling are very proud of the boys and how much their skills improved throughout the season. Well done boys.



#### **Grade 5 Girls**

A special congratulations to the Grade 5 Girls Basketball team, which went undefeated this season! The girls had an incredible season, building upon and improving their basketball skills, displaying excellent sportsmanship, and most importantly working together as a team. Well done!

Ms. Rossi and Ms. Plachta



#### **Grade 6 Girls**

The grade 6 girls had a strong season this year and were coached by Ms. Colcol and Mr. Peña! Despite their size against most of their opponents, the grade 6 girls powered through the season and won some very close games! They came in second in our zone and made it to the Quarter Finals at the Richmond Oval. The girls fought hard in the Quarter Finals and displayed hard work, sportsmanship, and perseverance as they played until the very last second! They should be very proud of how much they've accomplished throughout this season!



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## Grade 6 Boys

The grade 6 boys had a fun season this year and were coached by Mr. Peña and Ms. Colcol. The grade 6 boys grew as individual players and as a team. The boys were always ready at each practice and focussed at each game they had. They played hard throughout each game and showed great teamwork and sportsmanship towards their opponents. They should be very proud of their growth and accomplishments throughout the season!



## Grade 7 Boys

The grade 7 boys had a great season this year and were coached by Mr. Peña and Ms. Colcol. The boys were a strong team that took their skills to the next level of play. Their hard work in practice was evident during games as they worked together as a team to come first in our zone and to the Semi Finals at the Richmond Oval. The boys placed 4th within the CISVA and played hard until the very end of that game. The boys cheered each other on, used difficult skills and plays, and played their hardest in every game and tournament they had. We are very proud of the grade 7 boys and we hope that they continue to play throughout their high school years!



## Grade 7 Girls

The grade 7 girls played a great season this year and were coached by Ms. Colcol and Mr. Peña! The girls worked together as a team, learned new skills and plays, and always encouraged each other during games and practices. The girls placed first in our zone and made it to the Quarter Finals at the Richmond Oval. The grade 7 girls should feel very accomplished and proud for being great leaders on and off the court with sportsmanship towards their opponents and their teammates. We are very proud of the grade 7 girls, and we hope that they continue to play throughout their high school years!



## HEAVENLY BEANS

Parents are welcome to enjoy a hot cup of coffee or tea with other CC parents at the Parish Centre on Friday afternoons from 2:15 pm to 2:55 pm.

LENTEN BOXES – Please return your Lenten boxes

ANNUAL SCHOOL/PARISH PICNIC - REQUEST FOR BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP – Letter attached

PARISH JOB DESCRIPTION – last page of newsletter

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Lisa P. 7A** Lisa's painting was chosen to be displayed at the Aldergrove Kinsmen Community Centre .

**Melody 2B** - Melody Lim's Remembrance Day Primary Colour Poster won first place at the Burnaby/Vancouver Zone . She also received honourable mention for her poster at the Provincial level.

## **Mia ( 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8) & Branson (top 15)Nancy Green Festival**

Mia Z. and Branson H. from Grade 2 just attended the 19th Annual Hub International Nancy Greene Festival which was held at Sun Peak ski resort on Mar 22nd and 23rd. Mia's dual GS result was ranked 2nd place among all U8 girls (born 2015-2016) in BC. Branson also did very well and his dual GS result was ranked top 15 among all the boys born in 2016. Mia was representing Tyee ski club and Branson was representing Cypress ski club.

Nancy Greene Festival is the biggest Nancy Greene Ski League (NGSL) festival in Canada. This year It had over 600 athletes (age 5-11) participating from all over BC.

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## UNIFORM REMINDERS

Parents, please label all uniform items (shirts, pants, kilts, shorts, etc.) with a permanent black marker. If your child's name has faded, please re-write the name.

Please check uniform labels (your child may be wearing someone's golf shirt, sweater, shirt, pants, kilt, gym shirt, or gym shorts) if you notice another student's name, please return the item to your child's classroom teacher.

Please ensure that uniforms are neat in appearance, you may need to hem pants or kilts and patch any tears in clothing items. Thank you.

## PARISH SUMMER PROGRAM

**Cathletics: Training to Be Champions For Christ.** – Can be found on school website.

1. Registration form for the children (age 4-11)
  - a. Child Registration form
  - b. Poster
2. Registration form for the youth volunteers
  - a. Youth info and Application form
  - b. Screen Form 1 (Promise of Good Behavior) for youths going into Grade 6-8 (Same- no change from last year)
  - c. Screen Form 2 and 3 for Grade 9+ and adult volunteers (Same no change from last year)

## Solar Eclipse - Safety Message from Vancouver Coastal Health

As many of you will know, On Monday, April 8, 2024, a solar eclipse will occur when the Moon moves between the Sun and the Earth. In the VCH region, this event will be a partial eclipse, expected to start around 10:40 am and end around 12:20 pm.

While it is dangerous to look at the Sun anytime, the risk of harm is higher during a solar eclipse because we are more tempted to look. Our natural reflexes, such as turning away from the Sun or reducing the amount of light entering our eyes, may be less effective due to the reduced light during the event. Even during a partial eclipse, the Sun's intense radiation can cause severe damage to the eyes. It's crucial to avoid looking directly at the Sun during the eclipse, especially for children, as their eyes let in more light to the retina than adult eyes. Young children and other vulnerable persons in care may not fully understand the risks or be able to follow safety directives and may require more supervision.

In order to avoid the risk of permanent damage, it is reasonable to keep young children and other vulnerable persons in care indoors during the eclipse and put the blinds down. You can watch the eclipse live [online](#). Should your facility choose to organize a learning opportunity around this, such as viewing with a pinhole projector, recommendations for safe watching should be followed.

- **Avoid direct viewing:** Never look directly at the eclipse under any circumstances.
- **Only use safe viewers:** Only view the eclipse if you have safe viewers and filters that meet the international standard ISO 12312-2.
- **Avoid homemade filters:** Do not use homemade filters, sunglasses, ski goggles, camera lenses, smoked glass, photographic film, or x-ray film by themselves or in combination with a binocular or telescope.
- **Pinhole projector:** If you don't have eclipse viewers that meet the international standard, create a pinhole projector and focus on the projected image, not the sun itself.
- **Always supervise children and other vulnerable persons in care.**
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For more information, see:

Canadian Space Agency: [How to safely watch a solar eclipse - Canadian Space Agency \(asc-csa.gc.ca\)](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/en/how-to-safely-watch-a-solar-eclipse)

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Canadian Association of Optometrists: <https://opto.ca/eye-health-library/solar-eclipse-safety>  
Student Project: [How to Make a Pinhole Camera | NASA/JPL Edu](#)

**Mark Lysyshyn MD MPH FRCPC**  
Deputy Chief Medical Health Officer  
**Vancouver Coastal Health**

To prepare for this natural phenomenon the students will be remaining indoors between 10:40am and 12:30pm. Their recess times will be modified to accommodate for the eclipse. They will have an opportunity to experience the eclipse through NASA's live stream. The teachers will review risks and safety directives with the students. The classroom windows will be covered with the blinds down to avoid the sun's intense radiation.

A **solar eclipse** occurs when the [Moon](#) passes between [Earth](#) and the [Sun](#), thereby obscuring the view of the Sun from a small part of Earth, totally or partially. Such an alignment occurs approximately every six months, during the [eclipse season](#) in its [new moon](#) phase, when the Moon's orbital plane is closest to [the plane of Earth's orbit](#).<sup>[1]</sup> In a total [eclipse](#), the disk of the Sun is fully obscured by the Moon. In [partial and annular eclipses](#), only part of the Sun is obscured. Unlike a [lunar eclipse](#), which may be viewed from anywhere on the [night](#) side of Earth, a solar eclipse can only be viewed from a relatively small area of the world. As such, although total solar eclipses occur somewhere on Earth every 18 months on average, they recur at any given place only once every 360 to 410 years.

If the Moon were in a perfectly circular orbit and in the same orbital plane as Earth, there would be total solar eclipses once a month, at every new moon. Instead, because the Moon's orbit is [tilted](#) at about 5 degrees to Earth's orbit, its shadow usually misses Earth. Solar (and lunar) eclipses therefore happen only during [eclipse seasons](#), resulting in at least two, and up to five, solar eclipses each year, no more than two of which can be total.<sup>[2][3]</sup> Total eclipses are more rare because they require a more precise alignment between the centers of the [Sun](#) and [Moon](#), and because the Moon's [apparent size](#) in the sky is sometimes too small to fully cover the Sun.

An eclipse is a [natural phenomenon](#). In some ancient and modern cultures, solar eclipses were attributed to [supernatural](#) causes or regarded as bad [omens](#). Astronomers' predictions of eclipses began in China as early as the 4th century BC; eclipses hundreds of years into the future may now be predicted with high accuracy.

[Looking directly at the Sun](#) can lead to permanent eye damage, so special eye protection or indirect viewing techniques are used when viewing a solar eclipse. Only the total phase of a total solar eclipse is safe to view without protection. Enthusiasts known as [eclipse chasers](#) or umbraphiles travel to remote locations to see solar eclipses.<sup>[4][5]</sup>

## **PARISH-COOK/HOUSEKEEPER POSITIONS**

### **Two Part Time Positions**

Corpus Christi Parish is looking for two part time cook / housekeeper to support the Pastor and Parish community by performing tasks such as cleaning, cooking, laundry and grocery shopping. The duties and responsibilities will include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Maintaining the Parish Rectory or Parish office according to a cleaning schedule;
- Meal preparation and cooking: which will include creating a menu for a two week period in
- collaboration with the Pastor; grocery shopping; meal prep etc.
- Assisting with other related tasks as directed.
- The ideal candidate will :
- Have previous experience in a similar role;
- Maintain boundaries and strict confidentiality concerning parish matters and respecting the
- privacy of the pastor and other residents;
- Have good interpersonal skills;
- Be able to exercise sensitivity, tact, diplomacy, and professionalism at all times;
- Be self-motivated with the ability to work independently;
- Have excellent time management skills;

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- Demonstrate the ability to exercise necessary cost control measures;
- Have a valid driver's license and the use of a personal vehicle (preferred);
- Be able to meet the physical demands of this position.
- Conditions of Employment:
- Successful Police Check with Vulnerable Sector Search required prior to start of employment.
- Code of Conduct
- Employee Information Form
- Successful Completion of Food Safe Level I
- Working Environment:
- Working hours, Position 1; Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday OR Position 2; Thursday, Friday And Saturday from 9 am – 2 pm
- Opportunity to work in a faith-based environment.

Please submit a resume and a cover letter indicating if you wish to be considered for Position 1 or Position 2 or both to

Corpus Christi Parish  
Winnie Shiao  
Email: [winnie@ccparish.ca](mailto:winnie@ccparish.ca)  
Website: <https://www.ccparish.ca>

Thank you for your interest; only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.