

Fort Collins Christian School

Newsletter

March 1, 2020



IMPORTANT DATES IN MARCH & APRIL

Monday, March 2	Open House (Preschool – Kindergarten)
Thursday, March 5	3 rd Quarter Ends
Thurs., Fri., & Sat., March 5 – 7	RMC Music Fest (Grades 6-8)
Monday, March 9	4 th Quarter Begins
Wednesday, March 11	Parent/Teacher Conferences (School is out at noon)
Fri. Mar. 13- Sun. 22	Spring Vacation
Wednesday, April 1	Open House (Grades Pre-K-8) 8:00 – 3:00/4:00
Sabbath, April 4	Special Music at the Church?
**Please let us know if Sabbath, April 4, works for you for us to have special music at the church.	
Thursday, April 9	Nursing Home Visit (Easter)
Mon. April 8 – Thurs. 11	Week of Prayer
Monday, April 15	Mid-term Reports
Saturday, April 18	Thank-you Dinner, Music Program & Gymnastics Show (6:00-7:00 Dinner, 7:10 – 7:45 Music Program, 7:55 – 8:15 Gymnastics Show)

FORT COLLINS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A CORE VALUES SCHOOL



We are a core values school! We **CHERISH** our selected seven core values: **C**hrist-centered Living, **H**onor, **E**xploration, **R**esponsibility, **I**ntegrity, **S**ervice, and **H**eroism. In **March**, we are focusing on the value of Service: Working for the benefit of others. Our students are given the opportunity to acknowledge classmates who show the core values every day.

VISITATION DAY (PROSPECTIVE PRESCHOOL – KINDERGARTEN) MONDAY, MARCH 2

We will have a visitation day for prospective preschoolers (ages 3-4) and Kindergarteners (ages 5-6) tomorrow, **Monday, March 2** Preschoolers from **9:00 to 10:30 a.m.** and Kindergarteners from **9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**

The visitation days for **grades K-8** will be **Wednesday, April 1** and **Monday, May 4 (8:00 a.m. – 3:00/4:00 p.m.)**

*Please let other people know about our visitation days. If people are interested in coming to our visitation days, they need to contact us and **make an appointment**, so we can prepare.*

Parent Incentive: When you introduce a new student to our school and the student stays in our school for more than 6 months, the parents who introduced the new student to our school will get \$75. We believe that we have a great school. Please let other people know about our school and our visitation days.



ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE MUSIC FEST (GRADES 6-8) THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY, MARCH 5-7

The students in grades 6-8 are going to the RMC Music Fest this month. They will go to Campion Academy for practice on Thursday and Friday, March 5-6, and will have two performances (morning and night) on Saturday, March 7.

On Thursday, March 5 and Friday, March 6, for both days please take your child to the Campion by 8:15 a.m. They have choir practice all day. The practice will finish at 5:00 p.m., so please pick your child up at Campion at 5:00. If your child needs a ride, please let us know. Lunch will be provided both practice days. The school is paying for their participation fees which include lunches and Festival T-shirts.

On Saturday, March 7, the students need to be there at **10:30 a.m.** for the morning Sabbath concert, and they need to wear **white top and black bottoms** in the morning. They need to be there at **6:30 p.m.** again for the evening performance, and they need to wear the **Festival T-shirts and jeans** (no rips, tears, or holes) for the evening performance.

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, March 11 (Noon to 6:30 p.m.)



I hope you got the mid-term reports last month (preschoolers only have quarter reports, not mid-terms). If you have any concerns, please let us know. Please remember that you do not need to wait until March 11 to talk to the teachers. You can request a meeting with a teacher at any time.

On Wednesday, March 11, school is out at noon.

Please sign up for a conference time slot (noon to 6:30 p.m.) by March 5. The conference sign-up sheet is next to the Sign-In and Out Sheet on the table in the hallway for grades K-8 and in the classroom for Preschool.



If Wednesday, March 11 does not work for you, we can schedule a different day to meet with you, but please let us know.

We would like your child(ren) to be responsible for their learning, so we ask them to be a part of the conference. Thank you for your cooperation.



SPECIAL MUSIC & SCHOOL CONSECRATION SABBATH, APRIL 4

Our students will do Special Music at the church on Sabbath, April 4. The students in grades 3-8 will play chimes, and the students in preschool – grade 2 will play color bells, and all the students will sing a song for the Special Music. Please be at the church by 10:30 a.m. Sabbath, April 4. We will practice our music in the Preschool classroom before we go and perform in the sanctuary.

NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK (JAN. 26 – FEB. 1)



READING EVENT WITH HOT CHOCOLATE AND SLIPPERS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4



On the morning of February 4, the preschool – 8th grades joined together for a fun-filled reading session to promote our read-a-thon!



Students were encouraged to wear slippers and bring a pillow to use during the event. The

reading session started out with Miss Reeder reminding students about the read-a-thon and reading a few stories out loud. Then, the students were put into groups and the older kids spent some time reading to the younger ones. When it was time for a break, the students all enjoyed hot chocolate and apple cider together before the preschoolers went back to their classroom. The event concluded with the K-8th graders spending some time reading their own books for a little while.

This was such a fun event for our whole school to participate in together! We can't wait to do it again next school year!



ITALIAN DINNER FUNDRAISER – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

We had our annual Italian Dinner Fundraiser on Saturday night, February 8, and we raised about \$700 including tips after expenses. We really appreciate the parents who donated the food items and helped out in the kitchen, and the parents and church members who came to the dinner and gave us generous donations for this fundraiser.

The students in grades 3-8 served drink and dessert at the dinner and helped clean up



after the

program. They worked hard at this fundraiser for us to raise money for our school this year.

We really appreciate our home and school leaders, Erli Molina and Leide Moreas, who took time and decorated the fellowship hall beautifully for this dinner, and Miss Nadia, Mrs. Tejada, and Mrs. Moreas helping out in the kitchen, and Pastor Daniel and Miss Milca at the reception desk.





Italian Dinner Fundraiser

TIME
• Saturday, February 8, 2020
• 6:00-7:00 pm

MENU
• Spaghetti with tomato sauce, creamy pesto fettuccine, cilantro pesto spaghetti, pizza, lasagna, salad, garlic bread, dessert, & beverages

COST
• Adults & Youth: \$10
• Children (ages 5-12): \$6
• Children (ages 4 & under): Free

LOCATION
• 2040 Nancy Gray Avenue (Beebe Hall)



NURSING HOME VISIT – COMMUNITY SERVICE



(THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13)

On the day before Valentine's Day, Thursday, February 13, our students (grades K-8) visited Collinwood Assisted Living and Memory Care. They played bells, sang some songs with sign language with Miss Reeder's help, and sang "God is So Good" with five languages (English, Japanese, Spanish, Portuguese, and Indonesian).

After singing songs, we passed out Valentine's cards to the residents to share God's love with them.

All of the students did a great job singing and brightened the residents' day. We saw that all the residents really enjoyed our music. A lot of them came and thanked us after our performance and told us how well we sang, and we are asked to come back again to sing for them. We decided to go back there at Easter time, on Thursday, April 9, to sing and share Jesus' love with them. We practiced a lot for this performance, however, we really believed that God was there to help us sing so well, touch their hearts, and share His love with them. Thank you for Pastor Daniel, Mrs. Martin, and Mrs. Tejada for providing transportation on that day. After we came back from the nursing home, we had a Valentine's party at school. We had a great day.



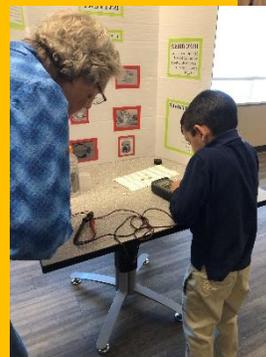
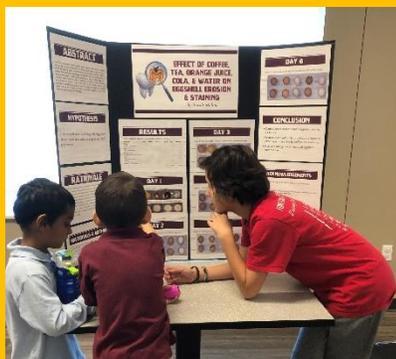
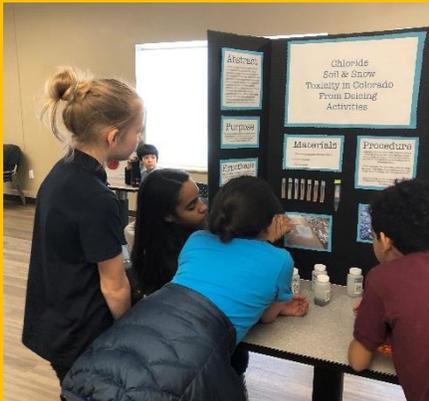
FCCS SCIENCE FAIR 2020 THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

All the participants in the Science Fair did a great job presenting their science projects on Thursday, February 20. Well done!!! The winner of the 2020 FCCS Science Fair for Upper Grade Division is Raychel Johnson, and the winner for the Lower Grade Division is Nicholas Martin. Congratulations to our

three medalists of the Upper Grades- Raychel (gold), Michelle (silver), and Sarah (bronze), and to our three medalists of the Lower Grades – Nicholas (gold), Elliot (silver) and Djidon (bronze). The winner of the upper grade division also received a \$100 cash prize and the FCCS Science Fair trophy. The winner of the lower grade division also received a \$50 cash prize. Special thanks to our judges – Dr. Devon Osborne, Dr. J. Adkins, and Mrs. Sam Peterson. Our younger students (preschool – 4), parents, and church members came to enjoy their presentations. The students who did not enter the

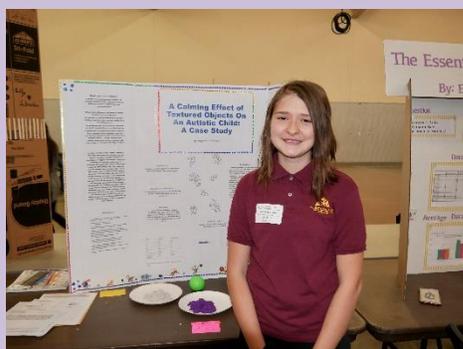
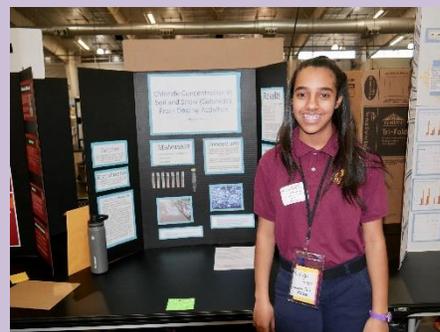
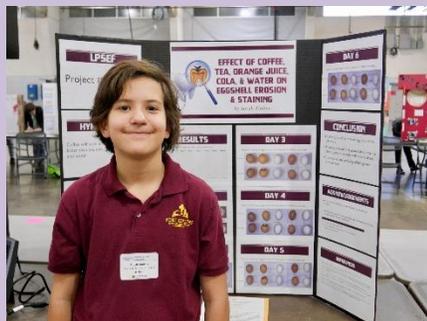


science fair this year were inspired by their friends' presentations, and they expressed their interest to enter the science fair next year.



LONGS PEAK SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

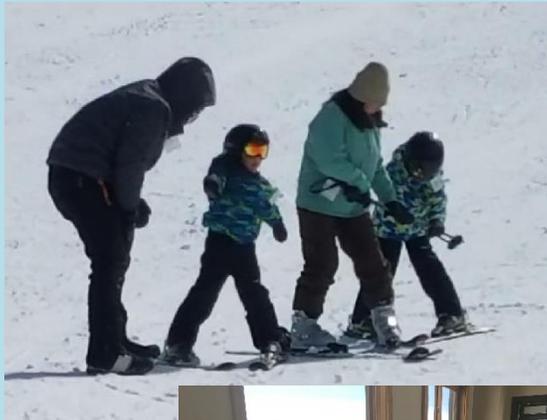
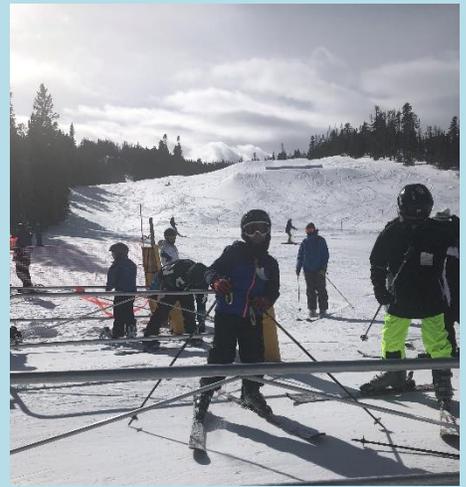
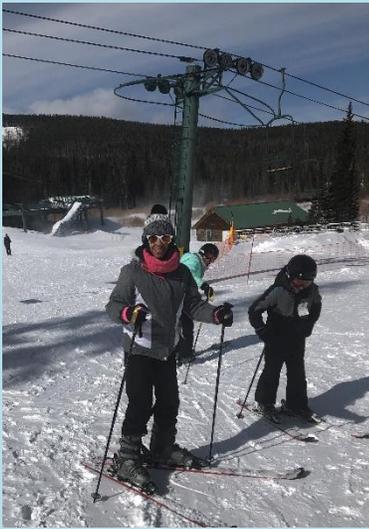
Four students in grades 6-8 from our school: Sarah Molina, Marcela Zuniga, Michelle Perez, and Raychel Johnson entered the Junior Section of the Longs Peak Science and Engineering Fair on Wednesday, February 26. They met at the school at 6:30 a.m. and came back to school around 3:00 p.m. It was a long day for them, but they had a great experience entering a big science fair and seeing other junior high school students' science projects.



SKI DAY – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

We went to Snowy Range Ski Area in Wyoming on Thursday, February 27. It was a little windy but we had a great time. 29 people joined our ski day this year.





READ-A-THON FUNDRAISER REPORT

Our read-a-thon fundraiser has come to a close, and through the kids' hard work finding sponsors, and the generous donations of those sponsors, we raised nearly \$2,500.00 for the school!



Thank you so much for your help and support of your child's reading and this fundraiser! We could not have done it without you!

If your child raised money through the read-a-thon, he/she has until this Thursday, March 5 to redeem prizes through the prize store. ***If prize selections are not made by March 5, the prize money will be forfeited.***

If you have any questions regarding how to redeem prizes, please contact Miss Reeder. Again, thank-you so much for your support!

FCCS PRESCHOOL CORNER

February was full of learning in our preschool classroom! We learned about Creation, and how God wants us to care for the Earth. Then, we began learning about recycling – what it is, how it works, and how it helps us care for the Earth.

We also celebrated Valentine's Day in our classroom, and it was so fun to share cards and goodies with our friends!

In March, we are looking forward to continuing to learn about recycling, as well as learning about spring things, like flowers, plants, and bugs!



**SNOW
DAY!**

Please remember that we follow Poudre School District's snow day schedule. When they cancel, we cancel, and if they start late, we start late (at the same time). Please check your TV or online news. Occasionally, we may feel we need to make a decision which is separate from PDS in order to best care for our school's needs. When this happens, Mrs. Breese will consult with the school board chair to make a decision and then contact all the parents.

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