

November



BRANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday, November 12, 2020

In our attempt to be environmentally friendly, we will be emailing newsletters home on the (NEW) 2nd Thursday each month. This is our preferred method of communication for most correspondence throughout the school year, excluding that which requires completion by parents or signatures. We will try our best to keep emails to a minimum throughout the school year but for any communication where an answer is required immediately, email is the easiest and quickest communication tool. If you do not have an email address, please contact the school office at 403-684-3752.

Parent Teacher Conferences

November 25th – 4:00 – 8:00 pm

November 26th – 2:30 – 8:00 pm

NOTE: Early Dismissal at 2:00 pm on Nov. 26th.

Buses will arrive at their stops approx. 1 ¼ hrs prior to normal.

- Each appointment has a 15 minute time limit. If you have more than one child please consider booking only one time slot unless more time is required due to the limited number of time slots for certain teachers.
- Appointments are available for Mrs. Nauta (Music - K to gr. 4) on Wednesday evening and Mr. Korthuis (Band - gr. 5-12) on Thursday evening. Other than these two option courses we ask that parents please book appointments for core courses only (LA, Math, Science and Social Studies) as many of our option teachers also have a full core course load with other grades.

To book, go to:

<https://brantchristianschool.schoolappointments.com>

1. You will need to register for an account. To do so you will need our School Access Code: 5492
2. Add students by clicking on the "Add a Student" button.
3. Schedule appointments by clicking on "Appointments" beside the student name. You can collect multiple teachers by holding the "ctrl" key.
4. Once appointments are successfully booked you will see a list of your appointments for that student.
5. If you require more than one appointment per family for a teacher you can continue to book for another student by following the same steps. Times where you have appointments will show unavailable.

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding booking.

ALL VISITORS (INCLUDING PARENTS) MUST SELF SCREEN AND BE COVID SYMPTOM FREE BEFORE ENTERING THE SCHOOL. PLEASE DO NOT ENTER IF YOU DISPLAY ANY SYMPTOMS. VISITORS MUST STOP AT OFFICE.

We are limiting visits to the school, please call beforehand.

Brant Christian School Society's 24th Annual Auction Fundraiser

ONLINE AUCTION CLOSING
NOVEMBER 14th AT 8:00 PM!

Don't miss out on those last-minute bids!

In December the skating rink will be open and skating will begin in PE. In the meantime, if your child does not have skates please try and obtain a pair so that they are prepared when the rink opens. Skates don't have to be new, second hand is great.

Some ideas of where to look:

- online buy and sell, facebook, etc.
- a second hand store
- salvage centre

Brant Christian School Society is still looking for the following:

1. Someone with appropriate equipment to do snow removal for the school during the winter months.
2. Someone with appropriate equipment to do lawn maintenance over the spring and summer.

If you or someone you know can help please contact Mr. Bailey at (403) 684-3752.

December Hot Lunches

Order and pay online at www.schoolcashionline.com

NOTE: Deadline for ordering is Thursday, November 27th.

To shop or browse the digi-flyers visit, scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer

READING CLUB SHOP

A special collection filled with Reading Club favourites at the prices you know and love!



CLIFFORD THE BIG RED DOG
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*With Class Code, your child's teacher earns 20% in classroom rewards and you receive free shipping on orders of \$35 or more. Valid until June 30, 2021. Ask your child's teacher for their Class Code.

We have gone digital! Our Scholastic Book Club Flyers are now online. You can find the **November flyer** at <https://editions.mydigitalpublication.com/publication/?i=678106&ver=html5&p=1>

Christmas shopping has never been so easy! **THIS FLYER IS THE LAST ONE BEFORE CHRISTMAS.** Just go to the link above and to order. It is as simple as clicking on the book you are interested in and add to your cart. Don't forget to enter Brant Christian's Class Code in the "Coupon Codes/Class Code" section just before Payment Method so that our school will receive 20% in essential rewards for our library and classrooms! PLUS you will receive free shipping on orders over \$35!

Brant Christian School's Class Code: RC216316

You don't have to wait for a flyer to be sent home! You can order anytime by going to [:www.scholastic.ca/clubshop](http://www.scholastic.ca/clubshop).

MEET OUR STAFF
MR. TIM KORTHUIS



With two kids at BCS, and one BCS Graduate, Mr. Korthuis has been part of the BCS family before he began teaching here. He loves music in all forms, having received a Bachelor of Arts in Classical & Jazz Piano, and Masters of Music in Choral Conducting, studying music in Austria, Bulgaria, and across Canada, as well as working full-time as the Worship & Arts Pastor at Okotoks Alliance Church . For several years, he has volunteered building a Choral program at Brant, building it into two skilled groups, before Covid-19 forced them into a temporary hiatus. He was an occasional substitute for our BCS Band program, and last year, was invited to come on staff as Part-time Band Teacher. His first year as a band teacher was unfortunately hijacked by Covid-19, forcing the bands into an online 'Zoom' format, which is never favourable to a subject where creating music together is the big draw. He's excited to be back in person with students at BCS, and looks forward to moving back towards playing in person, and bringing our choir back (with appropriate restrictions) over the next few weeks.

DECEMBER

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”
Matthew 1:21



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Pizza	4 Friday OFF	5
6	7	8	9	10 Taco in a Bag	11 Friday OFF	12
13	14	15	16	17 Subway Pajama Day	18 Friday OFF	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Christmas Holidays						
27	28	29	30	31	Jan. 1	2
Christmas Holidays						
				Deadline for ordering January's Hot Lunch		

Stay at Home Guide

When do I keep my child home?

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The visual guide below is for students who attend Kindergarten to Grade 12 to simplify the requirements for public health measures and to understand how schools are making decisions around managing student illness.

My child is sick. How long do they need to stay home for?

Core COVID-19 Symptoms	Other Symptoms
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fever (above 38 °C or 100.4°F)• Cough (continuous, more than usual, not related to other known causes or conditions such as asthma)• Shortness of breath (continuous, out of breath, unable to breath deeply, not related to other know causes or conditions such as asthma)• Loss of smell or taste (not related to other known causes or conditions like allergies or neurological disorders)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chills• Sore throat/Painful swallowing• Runny nose/congestion• Headache• Muscle or joint aches• Feeling unwell, fatigue or severe exhaustion• Gastrointestinal symptoms (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or unexplained loss of appetite)• Loss of sense of smell or taste• Conjunctivitis (pink eye)
<p><i>This is my child. Now what?</i></p> <p>If your child has one of the 'core' COVID-19 symptoms above, they must do the following before returning to school:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Receive a negative COVID-19 test result and no longer be presenting any symptoms, or2) Stay home for a minimum 10 days (or longer if they still have symptoms)	<p><i>This is my child. Now what?</i></p> <p>If your child has at least ONE 'other' symptom, keep your child home and monitor for 24 hours. If their symptom is improving after 24 hours, they can return to school when they feel well enough to go. If your child does not improve or worsens after 24 hours, the COVID-19 self-assessment test is recommended.</p> <p>If your child has TWO OR MORE symptom 'other' symptoms, keep your child home. The COVID-19 self-assessment test is recommended. Your child can return to school once their symptoms go away as long as it has been at least 24 hours since their symptoms started.</p>
<p><i>How do I get my child tested?</i></p> <p>If your child has one or more of the COVID-19 symptoms above we strongly encourage booking them a COVID-19 Test. This will speed up the return to school process, as the turn-around time for testing are faster than the required 10 day isolation period.</p> <p><i>No official document is required for 'proof' of a negative test result. In a family with more than one child, only the sick child is required to isolate and be tested.</i></p>	<p>What does it mean to stay home and self-isolate? www.alberta.ca/isolation.aspx</p> <p>Take the COVID-19 self-assessment test and book an appointment https://myhealth.alberta.ca/journey/covid-19/Pages/COVID-Self-Assessment.aspx</p>

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