



# The Cougar Update

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## Save the Dates!

October 15-16, 2021 is... **THE 48th BBQ & AUCTION WEEKEND**

Watch carefully over the coming weeks for announcements and updates about this year's **Benefit BBQ and Auction**. Check out the Auction page on our website ([HERE](#)) to see what is being planned with times and general information. Check back regularly as the auction approaches to see how to help and what items will be up for bid this year. Information about volunteering, BBQ ticket sales, and more will be coming soon. Watch the *Cougar Update* for more information regarding details for this weekend.

**CLASS BASKET PARENTS:** It can be great fun to grab a friend and work together on this project. It involves working with the class to choose a "theme" and notifying the class of items you would love to have donated for the basket. We have "class basket packets" available to guide you through the process. You will have \$75 of seed money to use for either a bigger item or things to fill in around donated items. Volunteer hours can be tracked and credited towards your 10 mandatory volunteer hours. Instructions and help with the final presentation will be available. Classes still in need of your help are Grades 1, 4, 6, 7, 9 and 10. Please contact Cindy Carter at [cindycarter1@gmail.com](mailto:cindycarter1@gmail.com) to let her know you're interested or to discuss your willingness to help.

**SOLICITATION/DONATION REQUESTS:** There are many businesses that donate items to our auction. If you are willing to contact an area business, it will count as 30 minutes of volunteer time per business you approach. Historically, a business is more likely to donate to the school if they are contacted by someone who regularly uses their store or services. That is why you may be the perfect person to approach a business you know and love. A list of businesses that can be contacted is found [HERE](#). There is a letter already prepared for you to take with you. Copies are available in the school office OR on the [FACTS Family Portal](#) under "Resource Documents". Contact Heather Schreier at [heather.schreier@conestogachristian.net](mailto:heather.schreier@conestogachristian.net), if you plan to visit one of the available businesses. Also, please see the letter attached to the newsletter email regarding donations, if you are considering donating an item to our auction.



## Preschool!

Our **Little Conestoga Preschool** starts **next week** and the teachers can't wait to meet their little ones! Our 4 and 5 year olds start on Wednesday and our 3 year olds begin on Thursday.



## Hands On!

The 6th graders of Mr. Focht's Geography class had the opportunity to have some hands-on learning during their Tuesday block period. As the students studied the cardinal directions in class, they learned how to make a compass by magnetizing a sewing needle. **Who said learning couldn't be fun and engaging?**



## Music Lessons

**Our Conservatory is offering private lessons!**

Conservatory teachers are beginning to schedule lessons if you are interested in taking a half hour private lesson [click here](#) or complete the form attached to the newsletter email. There is information about our conservatory attached to the newsletter email or you can go to the [Conservatory website](#).



## Book Fair

Save the date: Our Scholastic Book Fair is back in person this year! And it's right around the corner-happening the week of September 20th. It will be held in our high school library.



Online shopping days are from 9/15 - 9/28. More details will follow next week.

## Getting to Know You

"Getting to know you. ♪

Getting to know all about you. ♪

Getting to like you. ♪

Getting to hope you like me." ♪

With the first week of the new school year all wrapped up in a bow, plans are in full swing for the friendship, fun, and fellowship finale of our second week with **our first time ever ALL SCHOOL "Getting to Know you Day" (G2KUD) happening all day next FriYAY, 9/10/2021**. This momentous event will begin with all-school worship and mixed school ice breaker chapel, followed by kickball games across the schools, outdoor games, gym games, hamburger/hot dog school lunch, and last but not least a bouncy blast of fun on "inflatables"!!! Stay tuned to your email and Cougar and Jr. Cougar backpacks for more information to come including lunch order forms and volunteer sign-ups.

## Drop Off, Pick Up

**Student Drop Off Reminder:**

When dropping off your child in the morning please **use only the high school main entrance**. Parking is provided in the visitor spots. For security reasons, we need all students to enter through that door. (Only stu-

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## Upcoming Events at CCS:

Events are subject to change.

- **September 3**, No school, Labor Day Holiday
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- **September 8 & 9**, First Days of Preschool
- **September 16**, NHS Induction Service
- **October 4**, Picture Day
- **October 13**, PSAT, 11th grade
- **October 15-16**, BBQ & Auction

## Character Trait:

~ Kindness ~

dents of staff members may use the rear or side doors.) If your student is late, it is especially important, as they may be marked absent. Students who arrive late must sign in at the office and get a pass to take to class.

## Early Pickup Reminder:

When it is necessary to pick your student(s) up early from school, please remember that you should plan to do that from the front of the school only, and no later than 2:15. (This is due to buses in the parking lot.) For the safety and security of all of our students, **the back lot is not to be used for student pickup (or drop off) at any time**. And remember, before students leave early, they must sign out in the office. This will help greatly if we encounter an emergency situation and need to know the whereabouts of all students!

## Pre-planned

## Absence?

Families who are planning to be out of school for a reason other than illness are asked to **complete a pre-planned absence form**. The forms can be found on our [school website](#) and also in the [FACTS Family Portal](#). Either email the completed form to Mrs. Nace or drop off a hard copy in the school office.