

It is written: "How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather than silver!" Psalm 16: 16

# Winterfest

Help Make This Event A Success!

## Still looking for Winterfest Volunteers!

Still looking for Winterfest Volunteers! We need a few more people for: **SETUP on Friday, GAMES, TICKET SALES from 12-2, KITCHEN from 11-2, CLEANUP after 2, and manning the CRAFT & BAKE SALE tables from 12-2.** Marleen Noort is putting together the volunteer schedule, so please give her a call (604.415.9247) and let her know where to slot you in OR fill out your volunteer form and return it to the office. Many alumni are getting excited about the return of this event; let's show them we can keep up the tradition! Here's something quick, easy, and fun you can do for Winterfest: one of our games requires **Pick-A-Jar prizes. Bring in jars filled with any one small thing: crayons, Lego, gumballs, candies, toys, beads, erasers, matchbox cars, cookies, stickers, etc** (see examples in the lobby). All different sizes and shapes of jars are welcome—even the tiny ones can be filled with M&Ms! We need about 200-300 jars. If everyone brings in a bunch, we'll have more than enough! Bring them straight to the Development Office.



**Book Fair! TODAY and TOMORROW!**  
November 18 and 19! from 8:00 to 4:00 p.m. Remember any purchases you make add free books to our library.



This is a reminder that the Progressive Fundraising order form is due today. **The next one is due on Thursday, December 2, 2010, and it will be the LAST one before the Christmas break,** so be sure not to miss out on getting your gift certificates for Christmas shopping! Remember, you can save some time on your Christmas shopping by purchasing your gift cards from Progressive Fundraising and support our school at the same time.

**Report Cards go home Friday, November 26 - Parent/Teacher Interviews, Tuesday, November 30, 1:00 - 5:30 pm and 6:30 - 8:30 pm.** (Note: Students are dismissed at noon that day.) For those of you wondering, a sign-up sheet for interview times will be made available starting Monday, November 21. You are welcome to call 604.522.1410 if you are unable to personally sign up BUT NOT BEFORE Monday, November 21. Please telephone for an appointment after 10:00 am and before 2:00 pm. If you do not sign up, you will be assigned a time slot.



**NOTE: All Parent/Teacher interviews are 10 minutes in length.** If you wish more time to discuss your child's progress with his/her teacher, other arrangements must be made.

**SCHOOL COUNSELOR AVAILABLE DURING PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS:** Along with supporting students' intellectual growth, John Knox also cares about your children's development in emotional and social aspects. Therefore, the School Counselor, Rosamond Chan is more than willing to make herself available for consultation with parents who would like to seek support and/or advice on nurturing the overall development of their children. She can be available

from 1:00 - 4:30pm during conference time. Each consultation slot will be 20 minutes long. Please sign up if you are interested in meeting with the counselor on that day. Please also do not hesitate to contact Rosamond anytime if you have concerns about your children. She can be contacted through email: rchan@johnknoxbc.org.



**Please Remember:  
STUDENTS DISMISSED AT NOON  
ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30!**

**Pictures!**

If you went along on a field trip with your child's class and took some good pictures, we'd love to see them! You can send any photos to [development@johnknoxbc.org](mailto:development@johnknoxbc.org) for our records, and possibly for our website. Unfortunately we office-dwellers don't get to come along, but we like to see and use photos from the trips... Thanks very much. Thank you to those parents who have already provided us with pictures from some of the events!

**Give a POSITIVE Review of John Knox!**

The Vancouver Sun recently posted an article about a new website that allows searching parents to read reviews of all the area preschools, daycares, and elementary schools. John Knox is on that site, and you are free to give a review of the school if you would like! Check out the site at [www.theshortylist.ca](http://www.theshortylist.ca).



**Carver Corner**

**What is an effective approach to discipline in a high school setting?**

In its most general sense, **discipline** refers to systematic instruction given to a disciple and has the goal of a positive outcome. Traditionally the word discipline has its own baggage and is fraught with negative connotations! But please don't get me wrong. The Biblical view of "sparing the rod and spoiling the child" is not lost on me. Far from it! But I do not believe that Biblical view is primarily espousing a heavy handed punishment approach to loving and correcting our sons, daughters, students. Our mission statement is instructive in suggesting we challenge our students in their unique giftedness. Discipline needs to be creative and effective to each student's situation. I believe strongly that we can take full advantage of good choices and bad choices as great opportunities for learning.

To that end we employ a virtually unlimited set of options with some well defined parameters. On one level our staff exhort and encourage our students through personal dialogue and natural consequences as a result of their choices and actions. We have a detention hall for situations where students make up time for missed work or missed class time. Occasionally we accept students under a conditional or probationary status. Further, a Behaviour Documentation identifies the issue, the action taken and the new goals set by the student. A more stringent Individualized Behaviour Plan includes appropriate consequences for specified first and second disruptions and finally we implement a restoration agreement in particularly troubling circumstances. In this agreement the student agrees to a range of restorative expectations including meeting with student council, meeting regularly with administration, taking a class that instructs in a direction that counters the offense. Except in a very few situations where the risk of harm to our community is unacceptable, we would rather "Kick" a student into school rather than expel them. Students who marginalize themselves through negative behaviour need to be supported towards successful faith and learning experiences.

**Proverbs 22:6** Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Paul Tigchelaar, Principal, Carver Christian High School

**Calendar for 2010/2011 School Year**

**November**

- 18 Thursday** Gr. 3V to Burnaby Village Museum
- 19 Friday** Grade 7/8 Day at Carver!
- 26 Friday** Report Cards go home
- 27 Saturday** **Winterfest! PLEASE HELP!** 😊
- 30 Tuesday** Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00—8:30 pm  
**Students dismissed at noon**

**Chocolates for Sale:** In support of Winterfest, Olde World Fudge Co. of Burnaby is providing us with an easy way to not only earn some money but do some Christmas Shopping. There are assorted Boxed Chocolates, Gift Baskets, Fudge, Kettle Treasures as well as individually wrapped chocolate treats and kettle confections.

We will have an assortment of items available at Winterfest for purchase and will also be accepting orders for the Boxed Chocolates and other delicious Confections until November 29<sup>th</sup>. Delivery of orders will be on December 10, 2010. If you have a business or personal gifts to purchase or need to take a hostess gift to someone over the Holiday Season why not support John Knox in doing so. The school will receive 30% of Net Sales as profit! See order form at the end of this newsletter!



All Chocolates covered in sweetest vanilla or assortment of Milk, Dark & White Belgian Chocolates. All of our products are handmade and contain our handmade delicious confection.

Quantity limited & items may be available on a first come first serve basis.

All products are produced in a nut free facility.

**Violin for sale:** 3/4 Violin with bow and hard case. A beautiful instrument with lovely tone; holds it's tuning exceptionally well. Asking \$450.00. Call Andrea Dresselhuis @604.521.1927 or email at [andreae@telus.net](mailto:andreae@telus.net).



**Carpool Assistance Request:** Jane Scott, mother to Elliott, in the half-time Kindergarten class, is looking for someone to give them a ride to and from school in the bad weather. She lives at 317 Carnarvon Street, New Westminster. Please contact her at 604-759-2690 if you can help out!

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# CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL

## Update on Year 3 of the Capital Campaign

As you are aware, we are in the midst of the third and final year of the Capital Campaign at John Knox. Our cash goal for this year is \$400,000 by June 30, 2011. We would like to give you an update on where we're at, in case you haven't been watching the thermometer in the lobby. So far, since July 1, 2010, we have collected \$88,120 towards our cash goal for this school year; this amount includes both new gifts and old pledge payments to-date. This is encouraging! Thank you to those who returned their pledge forms and to those who have fulfilled past pledges. We are just over 21% of the way to our goal. If you have not yet returned your pledge form, we encourage you to fill it out and return it to the Development Office as soon as possible. Even if you are unable to give, please let us know that by returning your form with a note on the bottom. Whether you are able to give a large or a small amount to this Capital Campaign, our greatest hope is that you will *give as if you are giving to the Lord* and to what He is doing for His kingdom here at John Knox—and that in doing so, you too will be immeasurably blessed!

Thank you for supporting Christian education at John Knox!



Cash Goal	\$400,000
Cash Collected to-date (21% of goal)	\$88,120
Pledges Due on/before June 30, 2011	\$74,550
Cash still needed by June 30, 2011 (ie. Goal minus Collected + Pledges Due on/before June 30)	\$237,330