

"Indeed, our shield belongs to the Lord, our king to the Holy One of Israel." Psalm 89:18

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for all PARENTS & MEMBERS!
MONDAY, November 7, 2011, in the JKCS Gym @ 7:30 pm
The Agenda and attachments were sent home Tuesday.
Plan to attend!**



*Educating
God's
Children*

Winterfest

Volunteers, step right up! Winterfest is coming in one month! See the back of the newsletter for the volunteer form.

A LITTLE FAQ (*Frequently Asked Questions*)
TO HELP OUT THE NEW FAMILIES...

What is Winterfest?

Winterfest is a traditional John Knox event that brings together former students, current families, and our church communities for a fun Saturday of games and food and fun.

What do you do at Winterfest?

Guests come in for free, and then purchase tickets for kids' games or for food.

Crafts, baked goods, ethnic foods, and various other market items are available for purchase as well. While the kids run around the school playing games, parents can mingle and chat over a burger, sushi, or Dutch kroket. Parents can play some games too! There's shuffleboard, ping pong, and even a cupcake walk!

What is the purpose of Winterfest?

Winterfest (once called the Bazaar) has been an annual event at John Knox since the day the school was born! It began as a fundraiser, but now that we have our fundraising Auction in February, the main purpose of Winterfest is **to build community**. We love seeing alumni come back to the school (and so many of them come back to volunteer too!), and getting old friends to reconnect with the school community as it is today.



VERY SPECIAL NOTICE!

LAST CHANCE! Next week Tuesday, November 1, applications for new families outside of our present membership will be accepted for Kindergarten September, 2012. We need to be sure that families who currently have children enrolled in this school have **FIRST OPTION on enrollment in Kindergarten for 2012/2013**. The Ministry of Education has mandated full-time Kindergarten; however, Independent

Schools have the option to offer half-time Kindergarten. Depending on interest, we may offer an option of half-time along with full-time Kindergarten. Please email the office as soon as possible OR drop off a note with the following information:

- Family Name
- Child's Full Name
- Your Preference: Part-Time or Full-Time Kindergarten
- Siblings' Name(s) & Grade(s)

After Oct 31, we cannot guarantee placement for your child in Kindergarten, September, 2012 if you have not provided us with the information requested.

Can I invite friends?

YES! Please do! The more the merrier! It's a family fun event, so all ages are welcome, from children to grandparents, and everyone in between.

What can I do for Winterfest?

It has always been a parent-run event, and we hope to keep it that way! At the back of the newsletter is a list with all the jobs needing to be done. We'll need parent volunteers to help prepare and serve food, sell tickets, run the various market tables, clean up, run a game for an hour, etc. See the volunteer sheet for help areas. (The biggest areas for volunteers will be setup, cleanup, and kitchen help, if you're not sure where to sign up!) Write it in your calendar, and we'll see you there: **Saturday, November 26, 10 AM-2 PM!**

Weekly Prayer Time

A quote by Richard Halverson: **"By prayer man consents to the rule of God in his life. By prayer man seeks God's will and yields to it. By prayer man asks God for that which he knows he needs and can receive only from God...Prayer is that contact man has with the Heavenly Father to satisfy the deepest needs of his life".**

Please come and pray with us every Wednesday at 2pm. Not sure where to go? Meet us in the lobby first.

School Evaluation

Wondering how our Evaluation went? We'll tell you in our next newsletter!

School News

Knitting Club

Do you enjoy knitting? Would you enjoy meeting like-minded JKCS parents who enjoy this skill?

If you are interested in joining a club whose only purpose is to simply have fun and fellowship together while working on some individual projects, contact Angela at markhummelman@hotmail.com. If you are interested, in your email please state whether days or evenings would work better for you. Everyone is welcome, whether you are a beginner or an expert! More information to follow about location and times after we get a rough estimate of how many people are interested.

Picture Re-Takes

Students who were not at school when student individual pictures were taken have an opportunity to get their pictures taken Monday, October 31. Anyone not happy with their pictures can also have them taken at that time.

Halloween Patrol Need for Volunteers:



Volunteers are needed to patrol our School on Monday, October 31, from 7:30 pm to 2:00 am. By maintaining a presence on the school grounds, we avoid costly property damage that results from vandalism of our school building. We team up pairs of volunteers to patrol the school grounds, in a car or on foot, as appropriate. Here is a volunteering opportunity anyone can take on...no particular skill or experience is required. Please contact the school office to book your Halloween night volunteer hour. **Thank you to our six volunteers!! We still need a few more!**



Due Date for orders is: **today, Thursday, October 27**. The next due date will be **Tuesday, November 8**. Please check the website regularly for the coming due dates. A little pre-planning can save you a lot of time with your Christmas shopping. Progressive Fundraising provides a good selection of gift cards for your everyday shopping, birthday gifts, and more. At the same time, you are raising funds for your child's school!

ANNUAL FALL DRIVE: OCTOBER 17 TO NOVEMBER 18, 2011

We have been encouraged by the response to the Annual Drive within the first week. Don't let your form get lost under a pile of papers at home—please take the time to respond, even if you are unable to give at this time. The Fall Drive is the main fundraising drive for the year. We hold two events during the year which add to our fundraising goal (Auction and Knox Walk), but this is the one main "ask" to parents. We would love to see 100% of our families respond!

I/WE COMMIT TO SUPPORTING JOHN KNOX CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S ANNUAL FALL DRIVE 2011, CONFIRMING OUR PLEDGE AS FOLLOWS:

- Monthly Gifts: \$_____ (total) to be paid in monthly payments of \$_____, beginning _____.
- One-time Gift: \$_____ (total) to be paid in a single payment by _____.

METHOD OF PAYMENT - PLEASE SELECT ONE

- Cheques or Post-Dated Cheques Enclosed.** Please make cheques payable to John Knox Christian School.
- Pre-Authorized Payment.** Please complete the enclosed PAP Form, and return it attached to this response card.
- VISA or MC.** Please visit www.canadahelps.org. Enter Charity: Christian School Association of Burnaby.
Please be advised that CanadaHelps assesses a 3.9% transaction fee for each credit card donation.
- We are already giving \$_____ monthly** as per our tuition form.
- We are unable to give at this time,** but we are committed to supporting the school when and how we are able.

Classroom Spotlights



TWIN DAY, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20.

If you happened to come into the school last Thursday, you may have been surprised to see so many twins and triplets. A majority of students in every class partnered with others to dress alike. We had students in matching colours, matching brands, matching team jerseys and some matching “cool dudes.” Even the teachers got involved. Mr. Rodgers became pregnant in order to be a twin with Mrs. Miller. Ms Aukema, Mr. Morrison and Mrs. Stewart were triplets who looked ready to break into a country and western song. Thank you to our leadership team who did the planning for this event. Stay tuned for more “fun” days to come.



Open House

Thursday, November 17, 2011

1:30 - 7:30 PM

Three Locations - One Purpose

*Equipping God's children to know and love Jesus Christ and serve him in every area of life.
Come see the difference a Christian education can make!*

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Sports Update

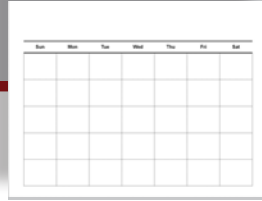


Congratulations to our JKCS Soccer Team who finished 2nd in their annual tournament! On October 13, a contingent of 21 enthusiastic grade 6 and 7 boys and girls made the arduous trek to the fog-drenched soccer fields of Abbotsford's Bateman Park. Our team played four action-packed games and ended the day with an impressive 3-1 record. Of special note was the agile performance of Asa L. who stopped a barrage of shots during the goalie shoot-out. Our squad exhibited consistent effort and mutual support throughout the day and proved once again the power of great teamwork. Congratulations everyone!





Carver Corner



Calendar

**CARVER
CHRISTIAN
HIGH SCHOOL
PROUDLY
PRESENTS:**

**CIRQUE
DE
CARVER**

**ANNUAL
DESSERT BUFFET AND
AUCTION EXTRAVAGANZA**

Only 175 Tickets Available. Tickets are \$20 Each, or \$180 for a table of 10.
 Carver Christian High School 604.523.1580
 John Knox Christian School 604.522.1410
 On Sale At: Vancouver Christian School 604.435.3113

Friday, November 18th, 2011 at 7 pm

Firefighters Banquet and Convention Centre
6515 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby

www.carverchristian.org



A Great Investment Opportunity: 2011 Cirque de Carver Auction

For only \$20.00 per ticket, your purchase

- Is a fun, easy way to invest into our Carver High School students' future – priceless!
- provides an evening of entertainment, desserts galore, and joyful fun!
- gets some Christmas shopping done early - there are many great auction items (sport tickets, weekends away, home decor, wine tasting, Wii accessories, show tickets, themed gift baskets and much more)
- allows you to see firsthand a few of our Carver students in action – our super helpers! Got time to help? Want to make a donation? Call Linda Smythe or Jeyne Lund today – 604.523.1580

Tickets are available this week at your school office. Invite a friend and purchase your tickets TODAY!

October

31 Monday Portrait Picture re-takes

November

- 9 Wednesday Grade 7 Day at Carver
- 10 Thursday Professional Day - No School for students
- 11 Friday Remembrance Day - No School
- 16 Wednesday Gr. 6/7 Boys' Volleyball Tournament
- 17 Thursday JKCS/VCS/Carver Open House!
- 18 Friday Gr. 6/7 Girls Volleyball Tournament
Carver Auction!
- 25 Friday Report Cards go home
- 26 Saturday Winterfest!
- 30 Wednesday Parent/Teacher Conferences - students dismissed at noon

December

- 2 Friday Carver - Evening in December
- 7 Wednesday Grade 4-7 Christmas Concert
- 8 Thursday Grade K-3 Christmas Concert
- 16 Friday Last Day of School before Christmas Break

January 2012

- 03 Tuesday First Day back at school after Christmas Break
- 11 Wednesday Grade 2 classes to Fraser River Discovery Centre

February

- 17 Friday JKCS Auction "BEYOND THE SEA" (new theme!)

March

- 2 Friday Gr. 6/7 Girls' Hockey Tournament
- 9 Friday Gr. 6/7 Boys' Hockey Tournament
- 16 Friday Last Day of School before Spring Break

April

- 02 Monday First Day of School after Spring Break
- 06 Friday Good Friday - No School
- 09 Monday Easter Monday - No School
- 13 Friday Carver Gloria Concert!

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