

WELCOME TO 5TJ!

We are excited to be a part of your child's life this year!

In this package you will find information about our *Grade 5* year and our daily schedule. Please take some time to look through this booklet. Its purpose is to answer questions that you already may have. If you have any other questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact us by e-mail. Contact information is listed below.

We teach this *Grade 5* class as a team. *Glenda Jullion* teaches *Math, Social Studies and Bible*. *Heather Thompson* teaches *Language Arts, Science, Art and Health*. *Ms. Amy Gatus* teaches *music*, *Mr. Heppner* teaches *P.E.* and *Mme. Smith* teaches *French*.

We believe that *God* has great plans for your child this year and we look forward to being part of those plans and seeing your child mature and grow spiritually, academically and socially!

Glenda Jullion and Heather Thompson

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Important Information

Absences/ lates

- If your child will be absent or late for school, please advise the school office as soon as possible. You can also email us to let us know.

Communication:

- The best form of communication is through **emailing**. Please make sure to email **both** of us in emails, unless they're specific subject related. If for some reason you find you are not receiving any emails from us, please let us know so we can check that we have the correct email on file.
- Each day we fill in the agenda with important information and upcoming events. In order for agendas to be useful and effective we ask that you take a look at the Agenda each evening and **sign it**.

*Remember, if you send an email during the day, please be aware it might not be addressed until after school.

School Website: <http://calgarychristianschool.com/>

Here you can find all the information you need regarding **hot lunches, absence/late entry, volunteering**

Teaching Schedules:

- Please see the attached schedule for our teaching days and class subjects

Scholastic Book Orders

- Occasionally scholastic book orders will be distributed. The due dates will be marked in agendas. You can expect book orders to arrive approximately two weeks after the due date. You can send the payment into school with your child.

Library Book Exchange

- 5TJ will visit the library on Mondays. If there is no school on the Monday we will be scheduled in later in the week. Students will be able to have three books out at one time. Books are on loan for two weeks. Books may be renewed, but must be brought back to the school library for this to happen.

Safe and Caring School

- In order to make C.C.S. a safe place for all of our students, please note we are a nut-free environment. As several students in our school have allergies, please ensure your child does not bring any nuts to school.

Recesses

- All students are expected to go outside for morning, and lunch recess. Students must bring appropriate outdoor clothing and be prepared for changes in weather. Special indoor recess exceptions are made for extreme weather conditions, as determined by School Policy.

Birthday Treats

- Students love celebrating birthdays. If you would like to bring a snack to share with the class, please remember our "no nut" school policy. Please plan for 24 students in our class.

Lunch

- The students will eat in the classroom each day. There is a microwave available for the student use. We have no schedule, but if it gets too busy we will make up a schedule throughout the year. Please try to limit the use of the microwave to one or two days per week, in order to eliminate long lines. Please send along necessary utensils as there is a limited supply in the classroom.

Hot Lunches

- Check the school website if you'd like to sign up for hot dog lunches, pizza lunches or special lunches.

Field Trips

- The following is a sampling of the off-site field trips tentatively planned for this year: Ralph Klein Park, Telus Science Centre, Canmore, Skiing at COP
- You will receive informed consent forms for each field trip. Information about these will be sent in the monthly newsletters as well. There will be a spot for volunteering on the form.

Toys & Electronics

- In order to avoid issues of loss, damage, and theft; and to ensure that students remain focused during class time we would ask that all toys, games, and electronic devices (including smart/cell phones) be kept at home (or in backpacks if they are needing a phone for some reason). Students **will not** be permitted to play electronic video games at recess. Staff are not responsible for the loss of such items.

Homework

- All assignments and upcoming tests will be written in agendas
- Memory Work will be due at the end of each month

- Math homework, depending on the unit.
- Weekly spelling words and practice on Spelling City
- Home Reading Program

Home Reading

- Students are encouraged to read for at least **20 minutes each day** (not including what is read at school).
- Please record student minutes on **agenda calendar** which is located at the beginning of each month. Add the total minutes read at the end of the month and sign them. We will have a goal to reach 20 000 minutes as a class. When this is reached we will draw for a class prize. We will need all students' reading minutes at the end of the month to draw the prize. Find a system that works well with you and your child for recording their minutes. If you prefer to record minutes on google calendar under your child's school email address, that works well as well. One parent signature at the end of the month is all that is needed.

Spelling

- Students will be given a spelling pretest of Grade 5 words every other Monday. Their incorrect words will be their spelling words. Each student will have a list of 15 words (some of them may be challenge words) that they will bring home to practice. Spellings tests will be held every other Thursday. Please see agendas for spelling test dates.

Google Classroom

Each student will have a school gmail account. We will be using Google classroom under this account for many subjects, especially writing in Language Arts. Students can access this at home if they need to catch up on work not completed in class.

Grade Five Curriculum

An overview of the Grade 5 Alberta Education curriculum can be found at <http://www.learnalberta.ca/content/mychildslearning/gradeataglance/grade5.pdf>

In ***Language Arts***, students will begin the year working on expository writing, expanding on their skills with writing paragraphs and moving to longer pieces of writing with a lead paragraph, detail paragraphs which include specific supporting details, and a concluding paragraph. Later on in the year, students will further develop their narrative writing skills, working on different parts of the story, incorporating specific sensory details, careful use of dialogue, and effective story structure. Different reading strategies will be taught and practiced throughout

the year, using both shorter texts and book studies. (A list of possible reading comprehension questions to use when discussing a book your child is reading is included at the end of this handbook.)

In **Math**, students will build upon the foundations of the earlier grades and continue to use mathematics confidently to solve problems. A strong understanding of basic facts is crucial for the computation, application, and problem solving work the students will do.

In **Social Studies**, students will study Canada, looking at its geographic regions and its history, as well as current and local affairs.

The **Science** curriculum introduces students to wetlands, kitchen chemistry, electricity and magnetism, and weather.

Mrs. Jullion will be piloting a new Bible curriculum this year. We also incorporate the teaching of biblical through lines into all subject areas.

Volunteering

- For school-wide events, please refer to the **Sign-up Genius** on the school website.
- For class field trips, please **email the classroom teachers** if you are able to attend. It will generally be first-come-first-serve.
- For classroom volunteering please email both teachers if you have a time you are available. Please ensure that your police-criminal record check (CRC) is up to date and on file at the school office. You may now apply for your CRC on-line. ALL volunteers must file for their CRC for the new school year, unless you completed this process in June. Please contact the school office if you require information on the status of these documents as they pertain to you.

Mrs. Thompson/ Mrs. Jullion 2019-2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:25-8:35	School Entry				
8:35-8:50	Homeroom/Devotions				8:35-8:45
Period 1 8:50-9:30	LA	LA	PE	Chapel	8:45-9:25 PE
Period 2 9:30-10:10	LA	LA	Math	LA	9:25-10:05 Math
10:10-10:15	Snack				10:05-10:10
10:15-10:35	Recess (school entry 10:32-10:35)				10:10-10:22(25)
Period 3 10:35-11:15	Library	Music	Social	LA	10:25-11:05 Social
Period 4 11:15-11:55	Science	PE	French	Science	11:05-11:45 Bible
Period 5 11:55-12:35	Science	Health	Bible	Science	Lunch 11:45-12:00 Recess 12-12:17 (20)
12:35-12:55	Lunch				P. 5 12:20-1:00
12:55-1:25	Recess (school entry 1:22-1:25)				Math
Period 6 1:25-2:05	Music	French	LA	Math	P. 6 1:00-1:40 Math
Period 7 2:05-2:45	Art	Math	LA	Social	Homeroom 1:40-1:45
Period 8 2:45-3:25	Art	Math	LAI	Social	Friday Meeting
3:25-3:30	Homeroom				

