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The Calgary Jewish Academy  
בית הספר היהודי בקלגרי

## Important Dates to Remember

Nov	6	Tues	Story Book Café 9 AM – 10:30 AM Grades 7-9
	7	Wed	Non-Uniform Day
	8	Thur	Remembrance Day Assembly 11AM Formal Uniform
	9	Fri	PD Day – No Classes
	16	Fri	Grandparents' Day 8:45 AM - noon
	21	Wed	Non-Uniform Day
	22	Thur	Classes 8:30AM–1:30PM Parent/Teacher Interviews 3–8 PM
	23	Fri	No Classes Parent/Teacher Interviews 9 AM–2 PM
Dec	28	Wed	Israeli's Arriving
	2	Sun	Hanukkah Begins
	3	Mon	Menorah Lighting @ the City Hall
	4	Tue	Latke Lunch - Formal Uniform Grade 1-9 11:30AM–12:30PM Pre-School Latke Snack
	5	Wed	Israeli's Departing
	7	Fri	Pre-School Hanukkah Performance
	19	Wed	Non-Uniform Day
	21	Fri	Last Day of Classes AM Classes Only 12:15PM Dismissal
	24-31	Mon-Mon	Winter Break
Jan	1-4	Tue-Fri	Winter Break

Click [here](#) for School Calendar



A Monthly Newsletter for the friends of CJA

November 2018

## Message from our Principal

It has been a busy two months at the CJA. Our students have been actively engaged in a variety of learning opportunities in both Alberta and Judaic curriculum. This month's message includes all of the exciting opportunities connected to Jewish life and Judaic studies learning as shared by Mr. Moshe Oren, Coordinator of Judaic Studies.

We had a successful visit and workshops of the JNF emissary, Yifat, October 30, 2018. The activities included Blue Box program which recalls the traditional KKL-JNF blue box. This program emphasizes ecological issues and objectives that encourage values such as cooperation and responsibility for the environment.

It has been almost 20 years since the Jewish Federation formed the P2G – Partnership Together Gesher Chai program (formally P2K). The main objective of the program is to strengthen the ties and sense of mutual responsibility between Israel and Jews around the world. The Calgary Jewish Community chose to form a strong relationship with Etzba Hagalil – The Galilee panhandle. The CJA formed partnerships with 2 schools in Etzba Hagalil: Har – Vagai at Kibbutz Dafna, partnered with our grade 9, and the HaGomeh School at Kfar Blum partnered with our grade 5. A visit of grade 9 students and three teachers from Har – Vagai and HaGomeh schools is one form of Gesher Chai, a living bridge between our communities. They will visit us from November 28 until December 5, 2018. Our grade 9 students are scheduled to spend seven days with the Har – Vagai students in this spring in Israel as part of their Canada-Israel-Experience.

We also had 2 very special guest speakers visit our grades 3-9 classes. Amihai Bannettis from the Jewish Agency for Israel, an educator with experience as a teacher and administrator in both Israel and the Diaspora. Amihai has been twinning Jewish schools around the world with schools in Israel. The other guest speaker, Michal Hanuka, is an Israeli film director, photographer & a visual artist. Among the activities that the students participated in were: a lecture about Jewish demographics and the challenges facing Jews today. In the other workshop the students had to guess what it is that they saw in a different extreme close up shot. We are expecting to have a visit of two guest speakers from Israel in December 2018.

We look forward to the visits from our Israeli guests, our grandparents and grandpals on November 16 and visitors to our Remembrance Day Assembly on November 8.

Shabbat Shalom,  
Brenda English

## Remembrance Day Assembly

As a part of our Remembrance Day Service on Thursday, November 8th, we would like to extend an invitation to all parents, grandparents and friends of CJA. We will be starting our assembly at 11:00 in the gym. The grade four classes will be taking leadership in this solemn event. We would be honored if you could join us for highly observed service. Just a reminder as well that this is a formal uniform day.

Thank you,  
The Grade 4 Class

## YouthSMART

This past week six students were accompanied by Ms. Seeger and Ms. Morgan to the Youth Supporting Mental Health and Resiliency Together (YouthSMART) summit, making CJA a SMART school. This program is a customizable year-long initiative designed to generate an awareness of mental health topics, which allows for student leaders and their designated teachers to work collaboratively to execute ongoing mental health awareness activities, unique to each school community. CJA has chosen to work on Mental Health Awareness within the community. Keep your eyes and ears open for more information on this great project that will be coming soon!

## Casino

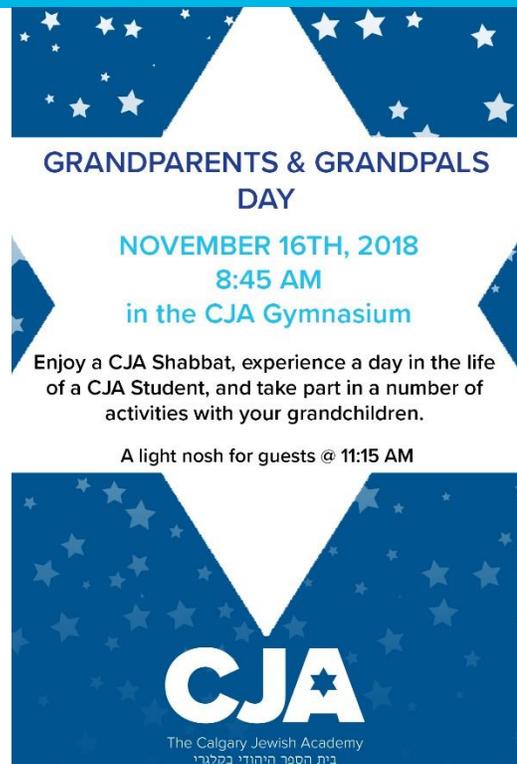
We are in URGENT need of Volunteers for the following positions still available. Please remember these hours fulfill your Volunteer Hours commitment. Click [here](#) for the application form.

Date	Time	Position
November 14	11 AM – 7:30 PM	General Manager
November 14	6:45 PM – 3:45 AM	Cashier #3
		Cashier #4
		Chiprunner #3
		Chiprunner #4

## Grandparents & Grandpals Day

On November 16th, starting at 8:45 AM, the CJA will be hosting our annual Grandparent's & Grandpal's Day celebration! On this day students will be given the opportunity to show their loved ones a day in the life of a CJA student, take part in a variety of activities and share a CJA Shabbat experience together. The event will run until 12:00 PM, and we will be providing a light nosh for guests to enjoy. We would love to see every student be able to share this experience with their Grandparents, though we understand there could be some circumstances where that may not be possible. In the event a Grandparent may not be able to join, we encourage you to send a Grandpal! A Grandpal can be anybody of your choosing (Parent, Aunt/Uncle, Close family friend, etc.)

Our hope is to have every student in the school to have a Grandparent or Grandpal with them on November 16th. Please let us know what your plan is for Grandparent's & Grandpal's day, contact Joseph Tappenden at: [tappendenj@cja.ab.ca](mailto:tappendenj@cja.ab.ca)



**GRANDPARENTS & GRANDPALS DAY**

**NOVEMBER 16TH, 2018**  
**8:45 AM**  
**in the CJA Gymnasium**

Enjoy a CJA Shabbat, experience a day in the life of a CJA Student, and take part in a number of activities with your grandchildren.

A light nosh for guests @ 11:15 AM

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## Hot Lunch

We have completed our first full week of hot lunch and we hope you understand that there will be growing pains with volunteers and food production. Thus far we have had very positive feedback on the quality of food. Please note if your child voices concerns, encourage them to understand that it is early in the process and our cook is trying to please 140 individuals who all have different tastes. In the event that you have a concern that you would like to address, please email Jenn Hadley – CJA PA at [jennifer@twek.ca](mailto:jennifer@twek.ca). If your child is interested in ordering a hot lunch, please return the [order form](#) to the office at least 1 week prior to the hot lunch day you'd like to order.

## Permission Form Manager

We have sent out the "General Walking Field Trip" form through Permission Form Manager. Please digitally sign the form. If you have never logged on to the system before, the username AND password is your email address that you have given the school. If you have any concerns, please contact Dianne Bascones at [basconesd@cja.ab.ca](mailto:basconesd@cja.ab.ca) or Cathy Kropf at [kropfc@cja.ab.ca](mailto:kropfc@cja.ab.ca)

## Royal Canadian Mounted Police Visits Preschool

On Friday November 2nd, 2018, Sgt. Laura Akitt of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police came to visit the CJA and spent some quality time with our preschool students. Speaking with every class throughout the morning, Sgt. Akitt gave a short presentation about her role with the RCMP with her messaging being short and sweet, "our job is to make sure that our communities are safe". Students were amazed to have an officer dressed in the traditional Red Serge, and got the chance to ask questions and even try on her hat.



## Senior Girls Volleyball

We would like to celebrate our Senior Girls Volleyball team on their success in the City Finals late last week. Congratulations to Coach Malcolm Jubinville, Mr. Jeff Warner and the entire team on their outstanding performance. The team brought home the City Championship banner which has not taken place in Volleyball since 1999. We would like to thank the community, parents, family and friends for their amazing support and tremendous show of community spirit despite the fact that the match was played more than 20km from their home court. Congratulations to all of our athletes and coaches on their outstanding season.



## Scholastic Book Fair

Please click [here](#) for more information on this year's Scholastic Book Fair.

## QSP Magazine Fundraiser

Once again, CJA Student Council are selling Magazines. To order, go to: <http://www.qsp.ca> Our school code is: 3743200.

## ADmazing Coupon Books

Please consider purchasing a coupon book to support the Grade 9 students as they fundraise for their upcoming trip to Israel. Each coupon book is \$25 and the school keeps \$10.50 for each book sold! Click [here](#) for order form.

## Community Information

### Nurse's Notes

Please click [here](#).

### Calgary Jewish Federation Events

[Create a Masterpiece](#)

Calgary JCC

Sunday, November 4 at 10:30 AM - Noon

## Jewish National Fund of Canada

November is blue box month in Calgary. Please exchange them for a new one! Drop off at the Jewish Film Festival or at the JCC. You may also leave them at the school to be picked up! Please ensure your name and contact information is on the bottom of the boxes and we thank you for continuing to make Israel green.

# FILL THEM UP & BRING THEM IN

**PARENTS**  
DON'T WAIT UNTIL YOUR CHILDREN  
ASK YOU WHERE YOUR BLUE BOX IS...  
MAKE IT A FAMILY TRADITION!  
THE BLUE BOX THAT MAKES ISRAEL GREEN  
TAKE YOURS HOME TODAY

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS AND OTHER ISRAEL  
GREENING PROGRAMS AVAILABLE PLEASE CONTACT US.

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## Community Education Service

Tuesday November 6

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Mitford School

110 Quigley Drive, Cochrane

[Cannabis: Legalization, Harms and Benefits](#)

Thursday November 8

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Calgary Academy

1677 93rd St SW, Calgary

[CADDAC Presents : The Impact of ADHD on Learning and Self-Regulation](#)

Tuesday November 13

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Alberta Children's Hospital

Kinsmen Learning Centre (4th floor)

2888 Shaganappi Trail NW, Calgary

[Test Anxiety: What is it and What You Need to Know Part 2](#)

Thursday November 15

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Alberta Children's Hospital

Kinsmen Learning Centre (4th floor)

2888 Shaganappi Trail NW, Calgary

[The New Guidelines on Screen Time for Preschool-Aged Children: The Importance of Interaction in Early Language Acquisition](#)

## Community Education Service: Recorded Sessions

The following are prerecorded sessions and are presented in the Windows Media Video (WMV) format or MP4.

Click on titles for poster

[Adolescent Dating Violence: Prevalence, Correlates, Outcomes and Prevention](#)

[Marijuana and Development of the Brain](#)