



# Branches

*a school to home newsletter*

October 27, 2023

The ADST Grade 1 class learned about the components of a community, including the differences between rural and urban communities.



Our senior volleyball teams participated in the Christian Schools Tournament last weekend, both taking home first place! We would like to thank all the fans who came out to cheer them on. The turnout was impressive! Ella and Luke were each named team all-star. The tournament MVP awards went to Kenadie and Liam.



The Cadets Boys Club at the CRC will start again on Thursday, November 2, at 6:30 p.m. Boys Grades 2 to 7 are invited to join the fun and fellowship.





# THE FIRST SNOWFALL



## CHANGES IN STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION:

We kindly request that you inform the school administration if there are any changes or concerns with regard to your child's medical information. This is crucial for ensuring their well-being and safety while at school.



# APPLE PIES

We still have some delicious apple pies available for purchase at the school. They are only \$14 each.

## What's Happening at HCS?

### November 10 (Friday)

- InspirEd Convention - NO SCHOOL

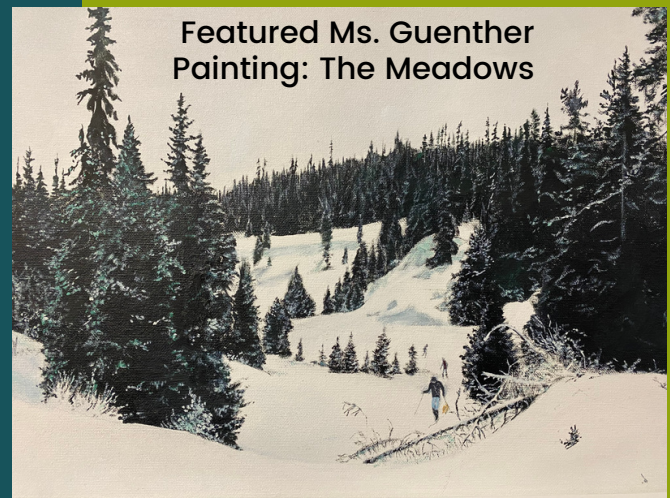
### November 13 (Monday)

- Remembrance Day Observance - No School

### November 16

- Spirit Day - Anything but a backpack

The school is currently selling some beautiful Jean Guenther paintings. You can find them displayed in Kim VanBarneveld's office, which is located next to the Grade 4/5 classroom. Every month, new pieces will be rotated to showcase the stunning artworks.



Featured Ms. Guenther  
Painting: The Meadows

## From the Houston Christian School's New Accessibility Committee

At Houston Christian School we recognize the importance of accessibility not only for those with disabilities but also for the benefit of the entire school community. Our aim is to provide a learning and working environment that supports all students, staff, and the larger school community. The Accessible British Columbia Regulation, under the Accessible British Columbia Act, came into force on September 1, 2022. The goal of the act is to improve opportunities for people with disabilities and involve them in identifying, removing, and preventing barriers to their full participation in the life of the province. In-kind, Houston Christian School seeks the input of our staff, our families, and our extended supporters to share their thoughts regarding identifying, removing, and preventing barriers to their full participation in the life of the school. In collaboration with the Society of Christian Schools in BC, we have developed a short online survey to collect your thoughts about how we are doing in terms of accessibility. The surveys will be reviewed three times a year and will be taken into consideration for future versions of the plan. You can find this survey highlighted in orange on the front page of our website. Please scroll down until you see it, click on the link at the bottom of the orange box, and click on "submit" after you have completed the survey. Thank you in advance for your willingness to participate in this survey for a more accessible facility in the future.

# HCS APPLE PIES

Thanks to our amazing volunteers, Apple Pie Day was a huge success. By 1:30, all orders had been filled and were ready for pickup.

