

Lions Gate Christian Academy

LGCA is a community rooted in the teachings of Jesus where all students are *loved, challenged and equipped* to be purposeful contributors in their communities.

Newsletter – December 7th, 2017

Dear Parents,

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. [Luke 6:38](#)

As Christmas is drawing near, many may have their thoughts on gifts. There are so many among us who give and give... and continue to give. For instance, thanks to so many talented people giving their time and energy, at last Saturday's PAC Christmas breakfast making it a great success. The PAC leadership and many volunteers made it come together as they coordinated this amazing community-building Christmas breakfast. We also had the generous support of the Dirty Apron who prepared the delicious breakfast. Again, we can't have community without you! From our volunteers, musicians, singers, and all of the attendees who came and enjoyed themselves over a delicious meal, the event was a massive success. In addition, your contributions have made our Fall Fundraising Campaign so successful. We have just about reached our 100% LGCA family participation rate, which will see a generous donor contribute an additional \$10,000 donation. We achieved our goal last year and I know that through God's direction and blessing, we will once again reach our goal. That money will all be a blessing to the school and to your child's education. I'm so thankful be part of a community that demonstrates God's generosity through their giving as part of their daily life.

Adam Reid - Principal

PRAISE, PRAISE, PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING – FALL CAMPAIGN

Fall Fundraising Campaign – Rooted in Faith and Growing our Garden

Wow Thank you parents for your amazing support – we are almost there!

We are at 99% parent participation. Thank you parents for your amazing support. We will be following up with the remainder of the families to reach our 100% goal in order to receive the \$10,000 donation from a local foundation.

Thank you for blessing your school. Each and every donation made the difference!

High School Information Meeting – Tonight Thursday, December 7th

Parents and students from Grade 6 to 9 are invited to an information night about high school at LGCA on **Thursday, December 7th**. We will host the meeting in the High School in room 302 at **6:30 pm**. Please come and join us as we provide you with highlights that our high school program offers. We look forward to seeing you there.



Chapel

Tomorrow is split chapel. Elementary chapel is at 8:50 am and Secondary is at 9:50 am. Parents are invited to attend.

Athletics

High School

Basketball season has started and the boys have been practicing three times a week. Joshua Whang, who has attended LGCA previously, is our coach for the Sr. Basketball team and has done an excellent job working on skills and team play. The games and tournament have been posted on our Athletics Calendar (<https://lgca.ca/athletics-calendar>). There may be an additional games set up at near the end of December with the Basketball Academy Josh also coaches.

Elementary

Basketball season is starting up very soon and we have a couple of eager High School students who are willing to coach the boys and girls team. The CESS tournament will be in early February. More information to come in the next Newsletter. Paul Chong

PAC News:

Christmas GIFT CARDS orders due TOMORROW Friday, December 8th at 3pm

The Shopfunds program is a great fundraiser for the PAC. You pay for the amount of gift cards ordered and we purchase them at a discount while there is **no extra cost to you!** Order gift cards to keep on budget for gas or groceries... **OR.... with Christmas fast approaching**, purchase gift cards as the perfect gift for friends, family, employees and co-workers, with so many amazing stores to choose from. (Please see the attached order form)



The estimated arrival date for gift cards is Friday, December 15th, and orders can be picked up at school office, they will not be sent home with students. If your child takes the bus, he/she can come to the office with a note from you to pick up your order. Gift cards cannot be replaced if lost, so please treat like cash.

To Order:

- 1) Print & fill out attached order form
- 2) Include a cheque payable to LGCA PAC for the amount of gift cards ordered
- 3) Place in the blue PAC mailbox in the school stairwell by Friday, December 8th at 3pm

Thank you very much for supporting our school.

PLEASE READ IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

LGCA will be presenting the Christmas Concert at Centennial Theatre on Thursday, December 14th at 7:00 pm featuring students in Kindergarten to Grade 5. The Grade 6 & 7 Bands will also be performing.

Doors open at 6:30 pm. The Centennial Theatre is located at 2300 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver.

- **All students (K-Grade 7 and junior band concert members) are to arrive at 6:30 pm**
- **Students performing in the play are not required to purchase a ticket**
- **Note the doors will not be open before 6:30 pm**
- **Students to enter through the Performers' entry door at the northwest corner of the building**
- **Take your child's coat with you. Staff will escort them to the dressing room**
- **Parents are to enter through the main doors at the front**
- **All students will be dismissed from the stage. We would request that parents of Kindergarten to Grade 3 students retrieve their children from the stage and the remainder of students will be dismissed into the foyer of the theatre from the stage.**

Please invite your relatives, friends and neighbours too! Tickets will be sold through the school office. Please complete the form below and return the order forms with the money to the school by Monday, December 11th. Note: Students will be **bussed to and from** the Centennial theatre on Thursday, December 14th during the day for dress rehearsal.

This year we are offering you three options to purchase tickets:

- 1) Complete the form below and return the form with money to the school by Monday, December 11th, 2017. **(Preferred Method)**
- 2) You can purchase tickets directly from the box office at Centennial Theatre between 12pm and 5pm, Monday to Saturday.
- 3) You can purchase your tickets online, follow this link:
<https://tickets.centennialtheatre.com/TheatreManager/1/online?performance=2451>

Procedure for School Closure due to inclement weather/power failure

In case of school closure due to inclement weather or other emergencies such as power failure, the following steps will be followed:

- A voice mail will be left on the school answering machine.
- An email will be sent to parents.
- A message will be posted on the front page of our website at www.lgca.ca
- Please listen to the radio - News 11:30 am, CKNW, City TV Breakfast Show.
- Parents please note that we will make the best decision possible regarding closure however we realize that parents live in different areas and therefore parents have the final say as to whether they feel it is safe to bring their child/ren to school.

Looking Ahead:



December

Thur	07	Parent/Student High School Meeting – 6:30 pm – Room 302
Fri	08	Report cards go home
Fri	08	Grade 11/12 Semi-Formal
Wed	13	Grade 6 Field Trip to Granville Island
Wed	13	Purdy Chocolate Orders to be picked up
Thur	14	Christmas Concert @ Centennial Theatre
Fri	15	Band to play outside Parkgate Centre
Tue	19	Band to play at Kiwanis Care Centre
Fri	22	Last day of school – noon dismissal

School re-opens after Christmas break 08 January 2018

PLEASE SEE PAGE BELOW FOR ORDERING CHRISTMAS CONCERT TICKETS

Christmas Concert Ticket order form:

Please note that LGCA students who are performing in the concert do not require tickets. This would apply to students in Kindergarten to Grade 7.

Name: _____

Number of tickets required: _____

Cash or cheque enclosed amount: _____
(Make cheque out to LGCA) (Ticket cost: \$5.00 each)

Child's Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Please fill in and return to the school by Monday, December 11th.