

# A GLANCE AHEAD! May 2011

he end of the year is quickly approaching and I am so thankful for such a wonderful year. As we look back on the year, we can see God's blessing in all areas of our school. I am so thankful for each staff member here at CCA for investing into our students lives each day. In various ways throughout each day, staff are showering God's love upon the students in real meaningful and purposeful ways.

Collectively as a staff at the beginning of each day, we pray for the events of the day and ask God to allow us to be channels of His love to the students. The apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 13 reminds us of the importance of love.

But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love. 1 Cor. 13:13

Christianity cannot function without faith, hope and love, all three are essential. However, Paul brings special attention to love by saying it is "the greatest". I have often wondered why love is the greatest. One conclusion I have come to as to why love is the greatest is because it is the grace in which there is some likeness between us and God. God has no need of faith as he is dependent on no one. God has no need of hope because to him all things are certain whether past, present, or future. But God is love and he blesses our lives with His love each day. May we never stop loving and showing our love!

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal live. John 3:16

#### Registration

Please continue to spread the word to friends, family and church members that registration is now open for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year. If you know families interested in CCA, please direct them to our office – thank you!

#### Assemblies

<u>Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30 p.m.</u> Regular Assembly <u>Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30 p.m.</u> Regular Assembly

#### Holidays

Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> Victoria Day

PD Day Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>



# Hot Dogs/Spaghetti

Hot dogs -  $\underline{May}$  25<sup>th</sup> \*Please not there will not be a hot lunch served on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Spaghetti - <u>May 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup></u>

#### Choir

Our choir will be singing at Chapel Ridge Free Methodist Church on Sunday May  $1^{\text{st}}$ . Great job to the students on an amazing job! We continue to hear great things from these choir visits.

### Grade 8 Movie Night

Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup> @ 3:45 p.m. Pickup is at 5:30 p.m.

Students are invited to stay after school and watch Tangled in the gym.

Admission costs \$3.00 and includes juice and popcorn.

# Grandparents' Day

We will be celebrating our Grandparents on Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3p.m. Please invite that special grandparent or senior to enjoy the afternoon with us. Visitors will enjoy a wonderful meal and presentations from our students. Any questions, please contact Jen Keating at rnjkeating@gmail.com.

## Heritage Fair

Our Heritage Fair was a real success! The work that the students put into their projects was impressive. I am including a few of the email comments that I received from the judges. ALL judges were complimentary - in person - and were very impressed by the students and their hard work. The consistent comment from the judges was that they were amazed by how respectful the students were and how well they communicated with adults - especially looking them right in the eyes when they spoke! Mary Cook was effusive in her praise for CCA - moving many of the parents and teachers in the audience to tears.



Unfortunately only six projects can move on - many more could have. Representing CCA at the regional's in Perth are:

- Genevieve Theberge
- Sawyer/Stuart Wills
- Hannah VanHofwegan/Madeline Froggatt
- Seth Hogeterp
- Tamika Heagy and
- Nikolas/Katerina Kouloufakos.

All students are to be commended. I hope that they enjoyed the experience of exploring a new topic and have benefited from learning more about our awesome heritage!

I certainly enjoyed taking part and would be happy to do so again. The children were delightful and they had obviously worked hard on their projects. Wendy LeBlanc (mayor of Carleton Place)

I was impressed with the quality of all the displays and the maturity and conduct of the students. Dennis Staples (mayor of Smiths Falls)

# Apple Seeds Kindergarten Readiness Program

Is your child ready for Junior Kindergarten this fall? If your child will be four years old by December 2011, they could benefit from this *new* program.

We are excited to be offering a kindergarten readiness program this spring. Details are below.

Our kindergarten readiness program is a 5-week kindergarten orientation offered:

Tuesday mornings: 9:00 - 11:30am May 24, 31, June 7, 14, and 21

Cost: \$50.00

We will spend the morning working on:

- Shape and colour recognition through learning activities
- Literacy and math skills
- Fine motor skills through crafts and learning the use of writing tools.
- Language development through stories, songs and games.
- Socialization through participation and cooperation.

We will spend time in our kindergarten playground, school gymnasium and tour the school premises. Please contact Calvary Christian Academy to register your child for this exciting opportunity.

# Science Fair - Regionals

Congratulations to two of our grade 8 boys, Griffen Atkinson and Caleb Bosman, for winning the Junior Mechanical Engineering Award at the Lanark County Science Fair. Griffen and Caleb finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in their division for their project on Hydraulics.

#### **Sports**

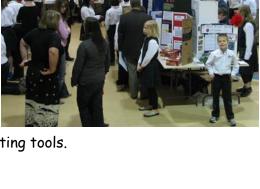
#### Track & Field

CCA Track Meet  $\rightarrow$  <u>Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup></u> All students from grades 1 to 8 will be participating LDESAA Track Meet  $\rightarrow$  <u>Monday May 16<sup>th</sup></u> Students in grades 3-6 who qualify LDESAA Track Meet  $\rightarrow$  <u>Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup></u> Students in grades 7-8 who qualify

# Intramural Floor Hockey

The regular season has come to an end and playoffs begin May  $3^{rd}$  at lunch.

Canucks vs Senators
Canadians vs Leafs







Our 7<sup>th</sup> annual Where's Franktown? Run will be taking place this month on Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Below are areas that we can still use your help this year making this event a success.

## <u>Runners</u>

We do need and hope for more runners. We are really encouraging each of you to ask around. It is surprising how many people are open to trying a 5km, and Where's Franktown? is a great starting point-flat, safe, kid friendly and fun! Please invite your friends.

Best way to register: www.eventsonline.ca/events/franktown/

#### **Sponsors**

We are delighted to have "sold' our gold level sponsorship of our 5km run to Tim Horton's Hwy 7 Carleton Place. Our 1km run is being kindly sponsored again this year by Lanark Veterinary Clinic. We have sold a few kilometers along our route; details will follow.

At this point, we have yet to sell another GOLD \$5000.00 run, and our SILVER level \$2000.00 15 km. And of course, we have plenty of \$500 km to still sell.

If you know of any business who might be interested, please consider forwarding them the attached, or passing their name back to us.

We are also very thankful to have many generous and highly supportive community businesses helping us with gifts-in-kind, and such. Thank you:

Rental Village, Carleton Place, Perth, Smiths Falls and Stittsville Harvey's Carleton Place Golden Triangle Signs Hometown Kitchens

#### Volunteers

Thank you to the many helping already, and yet many, many more are needed still! Please contact Betsy Simpson if you are able to help out betsy7simpson@gmail.com

#### <u>Food</u>

Once again, hoping and expecting parents to help out. We need to feed likely 800 people or more! Last year we cooked 940 hamburgers/hotdogs, and we usually grow by 20%.

Asking for parents to please contribute in one of the following main categories (nut free please):

LARGE SALADS - (garden, Caesar, pasta, bean...anything goes) VEGGIE or CHEESE TRAYS MUFFINS - from healthy to fun....(but again, no nuts, please) BAKING - cookies, squares...finger foods

Beyond the above, we will also be serving soups, hot dogs and hamburgers. If you want to make a soup, we are suggesting chicken noodle type.

WHEN: Please bring Friday after school or early Saturday morning - to Grade 8 portable. (We have limited fridge space, so, anything requiring refrigeration needs to arrive Saturday morning...thank you)

Runners will be hungry and ready to eat....muffins are always a favourite! Thank you

#### Volunteer Opportunities

There are many volunteer opportunities during the last two months of the school year. Below is a list of opportunities and contact information.

Where's Franktown? Run - Betsy Simpson <u>betsy7simpson@gmail.com</u>
Outdoor Maintenance/Landscaping - Vanessa Bernicky <u>vbernicky@smithsfalls.ca</u>
Internal Volunteering - Tom Bourne <u>tom.bourne@calvaryca.com</u>
CCA Track & Field Day - Tom Bourne

Have a great month!

Tom Bourne - Principal Regina Johnson - Administrative Assistant





