



**CALVARY
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A GLANCE AHEAD!

February 2014

We celebrated together last month as we completed and opened our new addition. Our addition is an Early Childhood Education wing that adds two classrooms - preschool and kindergarten. Furthermore, our hard working staff now have a staffroom and bathroom to call their own. We were reminded during the entire building process how good God is to each of us. He oversaw the entire process and His providence was very evident throughout.

As we celebrated together before we opened the classrooms, we reminded ourselves how everything belongs to God - including the new addition, the items in the addition - all of CCA! This is a good reminder to be very quick to thank Him and rely on him. May CCA continue to be a place that honours God and educates children in His love.

This is a great reminder that our lives belong to our Heavenly Father as well. He is our creator who upholds all things. He blesses each of us beyond what we are deserving and takes care of us each and every day. The Apostle Paul reminds us that we were bought with a price - therefore, let's continue to live in light of this.

For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body. 1 Cor 6:20



Open House

We will be holding our Open Houses every Tuesday during the month of February. Open houses are from 9:30-11:00am and 6:30-8:00pm. Please take the time to promote our school amongst your friends and contacts. We have prepared a flyer that you can hand out to anyone who is interested. It may be particularly useful to leave flyers at your church/youth program or MOPS program. In addition, we have created an event on our Facebook page that can be shared with friends.



Assemblies

Parents are invited to join us at our assemblies each month as our children have different opportunities to bless CCA. Students are asked to wear their POD shirts during these days.

Wednesday, February 12th

Grade 7 will present the play "Veux-tu aller au Carnaval?" during the school's assembly on February 12 at 2:30.

Wednesday, February 26th at 2:30 p.m. Regular assembly

Grade 1/2 will perform the play " Petit chat cherche une famille " in the school's assembly on February 26 at 2:30.



Congratulations

Congratulations to our Art students in the picture for placing in the top 3 in the Legion Remembrance Day poster contest - great work! Winners included (left to right) Quinten, Grace (represented by her brother), Joel, Keith, Evelyn, Abby, Timothy and Connor.



Facebook

Our Facebook page is gaining great momentum. We are hoping to reach 300 "likes". We are encouraging families to "like" us on Facebook to help promote CCA through social media. We consistently add photos and information about CCA.

Field Trips

Thursday, February 27th to Friday February 28th

Our grade 7 and 8 students will be participating in a 2 day/1 night retreat at Galilee Bible Camp. The theme of the retreat is Purity. Further information was sent home to the grade 7 and 8 families.

Giving

The picture to the right shows volunteers from The Storeroom and students making a donation of \$500 to the Foodbank right before Christmas.



Holidays

No school on *Family Day, Monday, February 17th*.

Intramurals

Intramural basketball has begun on Wednesdays and Fridays for children in grades 1-4. This is a great opportunity for our younger children to be introduced to the sport and have lots of fun. Our grade 8's are doing a fantastic job leading this initiative - well done grade 8's!



Music

Greetings from CCA Music!

The far portable behind the school is once again the music room. Please feel free to drop by! Here is an update on our second semester endeavours:

Grades 1-2 are taking up the rhythm instruments and then the bucket drums, going deeper into the elements of rhythm, tempo and dynamics. We will soon be composing our own rhythms.

Grades 3-4 are taking up the ukulele! After a few weeks, information will be sent home on how your child can sign-out a ukulele.

Grades 5-8 are continuing with their band instruments. The emphasis this semester will be going beyond the notes and rhythm to *musicality*. Students were given a **Practice Tracker Form** that will need to be completed weekly.

No Bus Afternoon

There are no "no bus afternoons" this month. (February 21 had been scheduled as a "no bus afternoon" but there will now be a bus on that day.)

Public Speaking

Our students have been working hard once again on their speeches. Please note the evenings when students will participate in our school Public Speaking contest.

Tuesday, February 18th at 7 p.m. - Primary (K-3)

Thursday, February 20th at 7 p.m. - Junior, Intermediate (4-8)



Skating Party

Our annual skate party is scheduled for Thursday February 20th at the Beckwith arena on 9th line. Please note this is a change of date from the original scheduled date as the ice was not available. Parents and families are welcome to attend. Please make sure your child brings their skates and helmet.

9:30am - 10:30am skating Kindergarten to grade 4

10:30am - 11:30pm Staff/student broomball game (grade 8's)

11:30pm - 12:30pm skating grades 5 to 8

Sports

School basketball has begun with a swish! We are encouraged with the progress the students are making. Tournament dates will be posted on our events calendar as they become available.

Jr. and Sr. Girls - Mrs. Reid

Jr. and Sr. Boys - Mr. Bourne

Winter Carnival

Students are participating in an exciting winter carnival in their POD groups during the morning of February 14th. Fun winter activities and winter treats and snacks will make this day a blast.

Yearbook

Our Yearbook preparation has begun! Yearbooks are a great way to remember all the good times we had at CCA this year. Ms. Werner is leading the yearbook this year. If you have any pictures from sporting events, activities, assemblies, etc, that you can send in for the yearbook that would be great!

Have a great month!

Sincerely,

Tom Bourne - Principal

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