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A GLANCE AHEAD!

May 2016

We've spent a whole year focusing on love: Love Does! Recognizing that we have been loved with an everlasting, unconditional love from our Heavenly Father and that we are called to live a life reflecting that transforming love through action.

Bob Goff, author of Love Does, shares a story below about his seaplane that helps illustrate our teaching of "love does".

The plane is called a DeHavilland Beaver and it takes off and lands on the water. I can't lie, this plane is tough, it's rugged, it's all guy. There's no sound quite like the one it makes when its huge radial engine starts and a cloud of oil soaked blue smoke explodes out of it. Because it was built over fifty years ago, the engine leaks oil. Not a little oil; lots of it. There's nothing wrong with the plane, it's just what Beavers were designed in the factory to do; they leak. The oil gets on the windows, on the wings, on the passengers, on everything. It's just great! People who own Beavers say with tongue in cheek, that you know when they've run out of oil, because they stop leaking.

I understand more about my faith when I think about that airplane. We were made to leak as well; we were made to leak Jesus. We're the ones who are supposed to love each other extravagantly, spontaneously, not just on Wednesday nights or Sunday mornings. And when we do, people might look at us a little funny, like there's something wrong with us. But there isn't. It's what we were made to do. When we love each other extravagantly, our love gets on everybody and everything.

I know when I'm fearful, stressed out or distracted. In those times, it feels like I've run out of love and what I notice always happens first, is that I stop leaking. My love isn't as messy or spontaneous anymore. There's nothing left behind when I leave a conversation. I come across as painfully polite, merely pleasant, barely tolerant, it's somewhere in the mid-range rather than an explosion from a big engine and lots of blue smoke. When I stop leaking, I'm reminded that I'm not living the way I was designed to from the factory. He takes the old version of us and whispers to us that we were made to leak our love. He tells us to do it with extravagance; to let it get on everything and everybody. What I like about the way God extravagantly loves us, is that He doesn't make us love Him or anyone else either. Instead, He lets us decide every day whether we'll play it safe or leak what we love.



The next time I get out of that plane it will have oil all over it; I'll have oil all over me and I'll smile hoping that everyone who's been near you will have evidence of what you love all over them too.

Registration

Please continue to spread the word to friends, family and church members that registration is now open for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year. If you know families interested in CCA, please direct them to our office - thank you!

Apple Seeds Preschool

Apple Seeds Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2016-2017 school year. Our license with the Ministry of Education is for children from 2.5 to 5 years of age. Apple Seeds operates five days a week. There are full time spots (8am to 5pm) and part time spots (8:30am to 11:30am without lunch - or 8:30am to 12:30pm *with* lunch). If you have any further questions, please contact Christine Martel at cmartel@calvaryca.com.

Assemblies

Friday May 6 @ 3:00 p.m.

Where's Franktown run

Wednesday May 11th @ 2:30 p.m.

Regular Assembly

Wednesday May 25th @ 2:30 pm

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Field Trips

Treasure Island - the musical - Wednesday May 4th, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

In-house field trip. The Academy for Musical Theatre (Perth) will perform this lively musical for CCA students. Parents are welcome.

Upper Canada Village Overnight Live-in-Adventure - May 5th & 6th

Students in grades 4 & 5 will be bused to Upper Canada Village where they will experience life in the 19th Century.

Redeemer Christian HS Drama: Cinderella Confidential - Tuesday May 17

Students in grades 7 & 8 will be bused to Redeemer to watch their spring drama.

Perth Regional Heritage Fair Special Events - afternoon of Friday May 20th, grades 4 - 7

Grades 4 - 7 will be bused to Perth to view a Pioneer Village (including exhibit and demo by the Algonquins of Pickwakanagan), Military Encampment and Settler's Trek. Individuals, dressed in period outfits, will have followed the original journey taken by the first settlers from Brockville to Perth, arriving by foot, canoe and horse & wagon.

Outdoor Education Days at CCA May 16, 18 and 20 (weather permitting)

All grades will spend time outside on CCA's own 50-acre nature property with CCA's Outdoor Ed specialist, Mrs. Allison Weldon. Send rubber boots and spare clothes!

Mon, May 16

Outdoor Education

Preschool - gr 1/2

Hike/ Nature Walk and Pond Exploration, with grade 7 and 8 helpers

Wed May 18

Outdoor Education "Survival"

Grades 6, 7 & 8

2:00 - 3:20 pm Grades 6-8 play a fun interactive game called Survival based on ecosystems and the food chain.

Friday May 20

Outdoor Education

Grades 2/3 - 4

Hike/ Nature Walk and Pond Exploration. Classes will go in grade groups.

Thursday May 26

Outdoor Education

Grade 5

Hike/ Nature Walk and Pond Exploration



Grandparents' Day - Tuesday May 3rd

We will be celebrating our Grandparents on Tuesday May 3rd from 1 to 3 pm. Please invite that special grandparent or senior to enjoy the afternoon with us. Visitors will enjoy a wonderful light lunch and presentations from our students. Any questions, please contact the office.

Holidays

Monday, May 23 Victoria Day

Presentation - Strength to Fight May 19th at 7:00 pm

Computers, Smartphones, Gaming Systems. We're living in a world of unending exposure to a wild west of information and mis-information. How do we raise our kids, to navigate this ever increasing digital world? How do we live purely, in a pornified society? Parents are invited to attend a presentation by Strength to Fight at 7:00pm where they will discuss ideas we need to ingrain in our families, and the practical steps we can take to protect them.

Music Festival - Thursday May 12

Has your child taken private music lessons this year at CCA or outside of school? We would like to celebrate their hard work and progress at our Music Festival on Thursday May 12th beginning at 7:00 pm in the gymnasium.

Students may perform one (or two short) pieces or songs per instrument studied.

To sign up your child, or for other questions, please contact or have your child's teacher contact Mr. Blais either in person, by phone ([613-283-5089](tel:613-283-5089)) or by e-mail (pblais@calvaryca.com).



Sports

Track & Field

CCA Track Meet → Thursday May 19th

All students from grades 1 to 8 will be participating in the Track and Field day on CCA grounds.

Christian Schools Track Meet → Monday May 30th at Terry Fox Athletic Facility in Ottawa

CDSBEO (Lanark) Jr & Sr Track Meets → Thursday June 9th (rain dates June 10 or 14) at N.D.

Ultimate Frisbee - Grade 8 - May 24th Lansdowne Park, Ottawa

3-Pitch - Senior Boys - Monday May 30th at Lower Reach Park, Smiths Falls

3-Pitch - Senior Girls - Wednesday June 1st (rain date June 2nd) at Conlon Farms, Perth

3-Pitch - Junior Mixed - Tuesday June 21st (rain date June 22nd) at Conlon Farms, Perth



Where's Franktown? Update

Our 12th annual "Where's Franktown?" Run is just around the corner on Saturday May 7th on Mothers' Day weekend and just three weeks before the National Capital Race Weekend. Below are areas in which we can still use your help in order to make this year's race event as successful as past ones.



Runners

We are trying to grow this race each year and as such need and hope for more runners for this year's race. We are really encouraging each of you to ask around and reach out to your contacts on e-mail, Facebook and Twitter. You would be surprised how many of your contacts may be open to trying their first 5k, 10k or 15k run or those who are already runners and you may not know!

For seasoned runners, the "Where's Franktown?" run is an excellent way to build up to the big National Capital Race weekend. For new runners, the "Where's Franktown?" race event is a great starting point for a run - flat, safe, kid friendly and fun! Please invite your friends.

Best way to register online: <http://calvaryca.com/events/franktown/>

Sponsors - A big thank you to our sponsors!



Food

Following the example of previous years, we are hoping and expecting parents to help out with donations of food. Including runners, fans and volunteers we anticipate that we may have as many 800 hungry people! As such, we will soon be sending a separate email asking for parents and families to help out by bringing in salads, various trays and other supplies. The more we can get donated, the less we have to buy and that means more proceeds to our school! Watch for the email soon!

Pledges

Last year we were blessed by the efforts of many with pledging. Our goal this year is to raise \$10,000 in pledges. We are asking that each family contribute and make this goal a reality. As an incentive, if we raise \$10,000 in pledges we will celebrate with a fun carnival afternoon that will include a dunk tank. For every \$10 in pledges a student generates, they will get a throw at the dunk tank with a lucky teacher of their choice sitting in the tank....imagine the possibilities.

Pledging can be done a couple of ways.

- Printing a pledge sheet and sending in support to Calvary Christian Academy - [Open Pledge Sheet](#)
- Donating directly to CCA as a charity through the 2016 Where's Franktown Running Room page - [Click here](#)
- Pledging an athlete that is competing in the run can be done by donating directly to CCA as a charity through the 2016 Where's Franktown Running Room page and put the participants name in the *On behalf of* tab

Thank you! This year's event is shaping up to be exciting!

Volunteer Opportunities

Please be reminded that Volunteer Hours of Service Forms are due in the office on June 10th. This form is available on our website calvaryca.com under "Our School" - "School Forms". Below are some volunteering opportunities during the last two months of the school year.

- Where's Franktown? Run - Tom Bourne tom.bourne@calvaryca.com
- CCA Track & Field Day Thursday May 19th - tom.bourne@calvaryca.com
- Food Program - Sylvia Bourne kitchen@calvaryca.com
- Grandparents Day - office@calvaryca.com

Have a great month!

Tom Bourne - Principal

