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developing minds

building character

nurturing faith



October 2017

Our first month of school in the 2017-18 school year has quickly passed. God has shown Himself faithful again to us by providing for our needs at CCA. I am thankful for the staff, students, parents and community that all contribute to make CCA a place where Jesus is lifted up.

During Chapel this year, we are spending time discussing our walk with God. We all desire our children to walk closely and intimately with God. This goes further than knowing God, or having an intellectual understanding of Scripture, truth, Jesus and our Heavenly Father, but to follow, obey, trust and walk in a way that is consistent to what we have taught them, and ultimately, what Scripture teaches. Our focus on teaching our children the Bible, right and wrong, all those lessons on Jesus isn't so they can win some future trivia contest, or worse, so that we can beat our chest as parents with pride knowing our children "know their stuff", but as we teach them, we pray that the Spirit of God would help truth sink deep into their hearts and souls and it would have an effect on their life. They would know truth, but we receive the greatest joy seeing our children *walk in truth*. This is the same thought we get from John in his third epistle.

I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth. 3 John 1:4

At CCA it is our mission to work closely with homes and Churches to help our children walk in the truth, to walk in good works which God prepared beforehand. We look forward to a great year together leading our children

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them. Ephesians 2:10



After School Program

A reminder that CCA is offering an after school program. This program offers parents the opportunity of a later pick-up time for their child, while providing a fun environment, snack and social atmosphere that children look forward to. Children who are not picked up by 3:45 pm will be put in the After School Program. The program runs until 5 pm at a cost of \$8 per child per day or a family rate of \$15.

Assemblies

Wednesday October 4th at 2:00 p.m. OCC Kickoff

Siblings, parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend.

At our Operation Christmas Child Campaign Kickoff, each child will pack a shoebox. This year our hope at CCA is to be a blessing to as many families and children as possible.

For further information, please contact Glenda O'Brien: steveandglenda@rogers.com



Wednesdays October 11 & 25 at 2:30 pm Regular Assembly

Parents and friends are always welcome to attend.

Calendars and Events

Please continue to check our online events calendar on our website (accessible from the "events" tab). You can subscribe to our calendar using your smartphone. In addition, our 2017-18 School Calendar can be downloaded from our website.

Auction

CCA's Christmas Auction is scheduled for Saturday, November 18th at the Carleton Place High School Cafetorium.

Invite your family, friends, neighbours and colleagues. Each CCA & CCHS family will receive 6 tickets. Additional tickets are available at the CCA office or at the CPHS door on auction night.



Dessert Buffet & Beverages will be served. It is an exciting evening with both live and silent auctions!

Please remember each family's requirement:

- **Donate** an item/items valued at \$100. (These are tax receipt-able if your sales receipts are attached.) Due by November 3rd.
Please consider your donation carefully! The goal is for you to spend less on a donation than what someone will be willing to pay for that same item at the auction. Alternatively, you may write a cheque to CCA for \$100 and those funds will be used to purchase items for the auction on your behalf. Please fill out the family donation form in this packet and attach one to each donation. Family donations are tracked and families that do
- **Solicit** a minimum of two businesses. Grab a few copies of the donation request letter and try to get a few places to donate goods or services to the auction. A good place to start is a business where you have spent money in the past. You can also send out requests via email. And yes, each family needs to solicit! If you do not solicit, then you are expected to donate more things to the auction to make up for the lack.
- **Volunteer**. This is an event that takes a lot of volunteers and it's a great way to accumulate your required hours. Volunteers are needed in the following areas:
 - set-up Friday evening (Nov 17)

- clean-up Saturday evening (Nov 18)
 - decorating
 - food prep/service
 - registration
 - check-out
 - data entry
 - silent auction table closing
 - extra soliciting (in addition to the 2 required)
- **Pray.** Please pray about every aspect of the auction! Prayer is vital!!

Items are added daily to the auction website: www.calvaryca.com and follow the auction link.

Our catalogue is available for viewing here <https://charityauction.bid/CCA17>

Contact our Auction Coordinator, Jenny Erwin, if you have any questions: auction@calvaryca.com

Fall Fair

Our Back to School Fall Fair last month was an excellent way to begin the school year. It was great to see so many people out and to have some of our alumni families visiting. A big thanks to Mrs. Hamelin for organizing this great event and all the staff for making the night a huge success.



October Field Trips

JK, SK, 1 and 2 - Monday October 23rd

Canada Agriculture Museum

Students in our youngest grades will visit the Agriculture Museum at the Experimental Farm in Ottawa and participate in educational programs. It's bound to be fun getting up close to all those animals! Bag lunch is needed, as well as water bottle. No school lunch will be provided. Parent helpers also requested.

Grades 3, 4 and 5 - Friday October 13th

Mosaic Canada 150 and the Canadian Museum of History

Students in grades 3, 4 and 5/6 will visit the spectacular horticultural sculptures in Parc Jacques Cartier, Gatineau, followed by a visit to the Canadian History Museum (formerly Museum of Civilization). Students must bring a bag lunch and water bottle. No school lunch will be provided. Parent helpers are requested.



Grades 6, 7 and 8 - Friday October 13th

Hiking in Gatineau Park at Luskville Falls

Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 will go on a day hike in Gatineau Park to enjoy a challenge and the beauty of the fall.

Lunch Program

Our daily lunch program meets the standards of our Provincial Health Unit. Lunch includes all four food groups with an additional serving of fruit or veggies. The cost to each student is \$5.50 per lunch per day for a large portion or \$4.50 per lunch per day for a small portion. Large portions will be larger - for example double portions of meat, or a second hot dog or slice of pizza. Lunches must be pre-ordered for planning / preparation purposes. There is a Family Meal Plan option for \$13 per family per day.

More information including order forms can be found on our webpage <http://calvaryca.com/food-program/>

Holidays

No school on Thanksgiving Monday, October 9th HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Nut Free Facility

Please be reminded not to send in any foods that may contain even a trace of nuts, or foods manufactured in such a facility. Parents are required to read all labels. Our teachers are encouraged to remove any foods that are suspicious. On this note, please remember to wash off any peanut butter residue from hands or faces before coming to school. "Life Threatening Allergies" policy is in the CCA Policy and Procedures manual.

No-bus afternoon

Thursday, October 19, Parent Observation Day. There *will* be a bus in the morning, but no bus home on this date. Bus families will be given priority in booking class Observation times Wednesday afternoon.

Parent General Meeting and CCA AGM

Monday, October 2 at 7 pm. All families are urged to attend this evening meeting to be brought up to date on many topics. We no longer have a January AGM.

Parent Observation Days

Thursday, October 19 and Friday morning, October 20

Parent observation days are not mandatory. They provide an opportunity for parents to observe their children in class. Forms will be sent home with children. To book your time, please fill out the form and return it to the office.

PD Days

No school on Thursday October 26 and Friday October 27. CCA staff will be attending the Edifide Educators Conference at Redeemer University College.

Photo Retakes

Monday October 16

Students are to wear dress uniforms if they are having a photo taken. Please notify the office if you would like your child's photo to be re-taken. We will also have a whole school photo taken on that date, so don't miss it!

Running Club

Ongoing on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please make sure your children have running shoes on these days.

Sports Events (for students who have been training at CCA on teams)

Soccer at Beckwith Park

Monday, October 2

Senior Boys and Senior Girls Soccer

Wednesday, October 4

Junior Boys and Junior Girls Soccer

Cross Country Running

Wednesday October 18

Grades 3-8 at Conlon Farm

The Storeroom

If you are able to help out and volunteer, please contact us. If you have any large items you would like to donate we can pick them up.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up to date <https://www.facebook.com/thestoreroomcarletonplace>
thestoreroom@calvaryca.com

Volunteer Opportunities

Family involvement and volunteerism is critical to the health of our school. Volunteerism helps keep tuition down and enables families to take an active role in the spiritual, educational, relational, emotional and physical development of their children. Each family has an obligation to put in 25 hours of volunteer work each year (unless you opted out by paying the extra \$500). Please remember to keep track of your hours on the Volunteer Hours of Service form and to return this form in June 2018.

This month's volunteer opportunities are as follows.

Field Trip Helpers

We need parent helpers in grades JK to 5/6 to accompany the field trips to the Agricultural Museum (JK-2) and the Mosaic sculptures and History Museum (3-5/6) on Friday October 6th. Please let the office know if you are available.

Auction

If you would like to help out in any way with the auction, please contact Jenny Erwin directly
auction@calvaryca.com

The Storeroom

If you are interested in volunteering at our second hand store in Carleton Place, please contact the ladies at thestoreroom@calvaryca.com

Scholastic Book Fair coordinator.

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair takes place November 16th and 17th. This is a popular event which gives proceeds back to CCA to improve our selection of classroom and library books. We are looking for a coordinator who can be responsible for the book fair. If you like books and people, this is a really fun way to get a lot of volunteer hours. The date is already booked with Scholastic. You will be given a short online training with Scholastic with tips about how to best run the fair. Other parent helpers will help run different shifts of time, so you don't have to be present at the fair the entire time. Your responsibilities would include:

- taking the online training
- unpacking boxes and physically setting up the book fair after school on November 15th
- setting up a roster of parent helpers to run the different shifts at the fair (Thursday 4-8 and Friday 9-2 during parent teacher interviews)
- packing the books after the fair is over on Friday afternoon

- doing the paperwork of amount sold (and possibly placing a few orders for books which ran out)
- our previous book fair coordinator would be happy to give you some tips and direction, but unfortunately can't run it this year because she has a new full time job. :)

Contact the CCA office if you would like this position.

Community Events

St. James Anglican Church in Franktown is celebrating their 195th anniversary and Canada's 150th with a Hymn sing on Sunday October 15th at 2 pm.

Have a great month!

Blessings!

Tom Bourne

Principal

