

A GLANCE AHEAD!

March 2012

n Chapel this week we were reminded through an incredible and yet humorous Old Testament story that God is great and mighty. In fact, God keenly wants to show Himself great and mighty in our lives. Unfortunately, Ifar too often we rely on our own efforts and fail to invite God to take absolute control and work in such a way that would leave no dispute as to the reason for the outcome.

In Numbers 22, Balak the king of Moab had a problem. The Israelites were being led by God into the Promised Land and were wiping out all the current inhabitants of the land. They had just finished wiping out the Amorites and the Moabites were next in line. Balak was in dread and sent messengers with fees to seek out help from Balaam. Balaam was instructed in a dream to not go with the messengers as the Israelites were blessed from God. Unfortunately, through a sequence of persistence, the messengers were able to convince Balaam to go against God and come with them.

This is the part of the story where God demonstrates his great power and authority. God used an angel of the Lord and a talking donkey. Yes a talking donkey to stop Balaam from sinning and disobeying God. Please read it yourself in Numbers 22:28. When we understand the power and authority God has to speak the world into existence (Genesis 1 and 2) and to uphold all things by the word of His power (Hebrews 1) surely making a donkey speak is conceivable.

Our desire and prayer here at CCA is to invite the Lord to show himself mighty in our lives as we serve Him!

The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17

Assemblies

Please be reminded that families are encouraged to attend our assemblies.

Thursday March 1st at 2:30 p.m.

The grade 4's are going to perform a variation of Leslie Tyron's *The Little Red Hen* at the assembly.

<u>Wednesday March 21st at 2:30 p.m.</u> Regular Assembly



Art

Congratulations to both Annabel Dow in grade 1 and Elizabeth Horsey in grade 3 on winning the Carleton Place Legion Remembrance Day poster competition. Elizabeth won the primary Black and White competition and Annabel won the primary colored poster competition.



Capital Campaign

We have shared with our families previously that CCA has hired the services of The Dennis Group (http://thedennisgroup.ca/) to add a push to our Capital Campaign to help us meet our goals. They are completing the preliminary phase and will be ready to contact prospective donors in the near future. Please let us know if you have any referrals.

Dental Screening

Wednesday March 7th
JK/SK/Grade 2 at 12:00pm

Grandparents Day

Please mark your calendars for Grandparents Day on Wednesday May 9th. This is a highlight of CCA each year and we look forward to having a gym full of grandparents with big smiles.



Holidays

March Break - school will be closed for the week of March 12-16 and will re-open on March 19. Have a safe and relaxing March Break!

In School Puppeteers Presentation

Monday March 19th

Grades JK - 4 at 12:00 p.m. in CCA Gym

Grades 5 - 8 at 1:15 p.m. in CCA Gym

The Kids on the Block puppeteers will be visiting CCA to participate in two performances that will promote character building among our students.

No Bus Days

Monday March 5th - Ski Day (in case of Ski Day cancellation, it remains a no bus day)

Registration

We were encouraged with the great turnout at our Open Houses last month. It is exciting meeting new families that are interested in the very things CCA promotes and encourages. Please continue to promote CCA among your friends and families and continue to share the great testimony of how CCA has prepared your children for success.

Science Fair

Our Science Fair is scheduled for <u>Friday March 23rd</u> beginning at 9:00 am. Students in grades 4-8 are required to work on projects independently or in pairs. Students in grades 1 to 3 will be participating in class projects led by their homeroom teacher. Science Fairs provide students an opportunity to extend their academic learning by developing their own investigations. Students will be evaluated on their projects by their homeroom teacher.

Please remember that a successful Science Fair project does not have to be expensive or even terribly time-consuming. However, it does require some planning and careful thought. Projects become frustrating to students, parents and teachers when they are left to the last minute and thus don't have the chance to be as good as they possibly can.



Ski Day

Weather permitting, we have booked our annual ski day on Mount Pakenham for Monday, March 5^{th} . We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs. Jenn McNamara who organized and coordinated this big event again this year.

Please note: If we have to cancel the ski day due to bad weather conditions on the ski hill, there will be a regular academic school day at CCA. However, this will remain a NO BUS DAY.

If we have to cancel the ski day due to bad weather and UCDSB cancels their buses (www.ucdsb.on.ca/transportation), CCA will be closed as per a regular snow day. We will put a message on the school phone detailing the decision.

Speeches

Congratulations to all of our students for their excellent work on their speeches! We were thankful to see so many of our students participate in the gym and share their speeches with our families. Congratulations to Christian Erwin (Primary Division), Camden Erwin and Liam Gardiner (Junior), and Madison Reid and Stuart Wills (Intermediate) as they represented CCA at the Carleton Place competition at the Legion.



We are pleased to share with you that in the Carleton Place competition at the Legion, both Christian and Liam finished 3^{rd} , Camden finished 2^{nd} and Madison finished 1^{st} . Madison has advanced and will be competing in the regional competition.

Sports

Many of our boys and girls have been working hard at basketball. We are looking forward to having our students participate in the Lanark County basketball tournaments this month.

Junior Girls - March 20th at Montague Public School

Junior Boys - March 22nd at Montague Public School

Senior Girls - March 22nd in Smiths Falls

Senior Boys - March 7th at Montague Public School



Where's Franktown? Run

Spring is fast approaching and so is our run. Don't forget to mark your calendars on May 12th with our *Where's Franktown?* Run. Please spread the word among your communities. Registration forms and pledge forms can be downloaded from our website http://calvaryca.com/events/franktown/

For further information, please contact Chris Froggatt, our race director, at cfroggatt@national.ca

Community Notices

Are You Looking For a New Family Adventure?

Host an International Student in August 2012. Hosting a student is a wonderful and rewarding experience. Share your culture and learn about the Japanese culture. By enriching, educating, and enlightening your family, you will be gaining new insights and a renewed appreciation for different cultures. If you would like to be part of this opportunity please call JoAnn Campbell, Homestay Coordinator 613-264-8843 or request information at jcampbell@mliesl.com. Honorariums are provided to participating families.



Have a great month!

Sincerely,

Tom Bourne - Principal



