

October 2014

We are one month into our 2014-15 school year and we are feeling an overwhelming sense of God's provision and blessing. A couple of years ago the leadership of CCA began discussing, praying and creating a sustainability plan. Nearly 50% of our school population was scheduled to graduate in the next three years. The potential of considerably lower enrollment was going to have a very real impact on CCA.

We considered - well not really - holding children back and not graduating them to help our school population. What we came to quickly be reminded of was the reality that our Heavenly Father is sovereign (in supreme control) and that this was his school and we needed to trust in that. We needed to "prepare the horse for battle" and work hard and continue to be involved in advancement and promotion initiatives, but ultimately "victory is of the Lord".

The horse is prepared for the day of battle, But victory belongs to the LORD. Proverbs 21:21

So our prayer was quite simple. We prayed this prayer during staff meetings, board meetings and prayer meetings - "Lord, we invite you to **show yourself mighty**"

Summon your power, God; show us your strength, our God, as you have done before. Ps. 68:28



And much to our amazement, HE HAS DONE THAT! We are so thankful to have: 21 children in Kindergarten and a healthy student population of 130 with many new and great families to add to our community, excellent staff that work hard and are committed to providing a Christ centred classroom and school, great leadership that work well together sharing in the vision of the school, families that work so hard at fundraising and volunteering at the school and children that are committed to learning in an environment that honours the teaching of the Bible.

As I sit here and put these thoughts to paper, I am filled with worship and devotion to our Heavenly Father and sincere thanksgiving to the CCA community!



2-Pitch Fundraiser

CCA is organizing a fun 2-pitch fundraiser tournament on October 3-4 at Lower Reach Park in Smiths Falls. If you are interested in participating, please contact Larry at larrykozlof@gmail.com

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 and social atmosphere that children look forward to. Children not picked up by 3:45 pm will be put in the After School Program.



Assemblies

Wednesday October 1st 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@sympatico.ca

Wednesday, October 8 at 2:30 p.m. Regular Assembly

Wednesday, October 22 at 2:30 p.m. Regular Assembly

Auction

CCA's Christmas Auction is scheduled for Saturday November 22nd at the Carleton Place High School Cafetorium. This is a change from the original date on the 2014-2015 school calendar.

Invite your family, friends, neighbours and colleagues. Each CCA family will receive 6 tickets. Additional tickets are available at the front desk or at the door for \$20. Dessert Buffet & Beverages will be served. Enjoy an exciting evening of Christmas shopping in a whole new way! **We can't wait to see you!!!**

Please remember each family's requirement:

- 1 family donation worth a minimum of \$100 (These are tax receiptable if the sales receipts are attached). You may want to consider pooling your funds with another family in order to purchase something of greater value.
- Solicit 2 businesses. Arm yourself with the donation request letter and try to get a couple of 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 (garage, hair salon, massage therapist, dentist, car dealership, coffee shop, etc)
- Volunteer. Please let Jenny Erwin know how you would like to be involved.

Items are added daily to the auction website: www.calvaryca.com and follow the auction link. Forms can be downloaded from the website.

The direct link to our auction catalogue is <https://www.charityauctionorganizer.com/auction/CCA2014>
Contact our Auction Coordinator Jenny Erwin if you have any questions: auction@calvaryca.com

Church Presentation

Our Leadership team and Worship band will be visiting Rideau Christian Fellowship in Perth on October 19th.

Fall Fair

Our 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.



Field Trips

Friday, October 3

JK - grade 2 will be visiting the Railway Museum of Eastern Ontario in Smiths Falls. Parent volunteers will be needed for this trip. Please contact the office if you are interested in attending.

We will depart from CCA at 9:00am and return by 2pm

Dress: Red shirts, black pants - Dress for weather. Bring a bag lunch and water bottle.

Friday October 3

Grades 3 and 4 will visit Heritage House in Smiths Falls. Bus will leave CCA at 9 am and return by 2 pm.

Friday, October 3

Grades 5 - 8 will be traveling to Gatineau to hike the Luskville Falls trail to a summit to have a spectacular view of God's creation. We will depart from CCA at 9:00am and return by 3:15pm

Dress: Students are welcome to wear appropriate clothing for the hike (uniforms are not required). Be sure to wear sturdy shoes or hiking boots. Bring a bag lunch and water bottle.

Give 'em the Boot!

This thanksgiving season CCA is partnering with Calvary Pentecostal Church helping give the underprivileged children of Guatemala new rubber boots for school. An old rubber boot is placed in the front hallway and any monetary donations are welcome.

Lunch Program

Our lunch program offered each day meets the standards of our Provincial Health Unit. Lunch will include all four food groups with an additional serving of fruit or veggies. The cost to each student is \$5 per lunch, per day for a large portion or \$4 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 \$10 per family per meal.



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

Holidays

No school on Thanksgiving Monday, October 13 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Mabel's Labels Fundraising

Just a reminder that our Mabel's Labels fundraiser ends on October 4th. 16 days! If you have not yet had a chance to stock up on Mabel's great laundry-safe, dishwasher-safe, microwave-safe labels for clothing, school supplies, food containers, allergy alerts, and more, check out our campaign page at <https://www.mabelsfundraising.com/campaigns/11223-calvary-christian-academy> Remember, 20% of all the purchases you make **from our campaign page** go directly to CCA!

No-bus afternoon

Wednesday October 15, 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

Monday, October 6 at 7 pm. All families are urged to attend this important evening meeting to be brought up to date on many topics.

Parent Observation Days

Wednesday, October 15 and Thursday, October 16

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 23 and Friday October 24 CCA staff will be attending the Global Leadership Summit.

Photo Retakes

Monday October 6

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.

Running Club

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

Seaway Valley Principals Meeting

We are excited to be hosting principals from the Seaway Valley Principals Association for a day of meetings and presentations on Monday October 6th.

Sport Events

Soccer at Beckwith Park

Tuesday, October 7

Wednesday, October 8

Junior Boys and Junior Girls

Senior Boys and Senior Girls



Cross Country Run

Thursday October 16

Grades 3-8 at Mill of Kintail

The Storeroom

Our second hand store, The Storeroom, located at 133 Bridge street celebrated their 1 year anniversary on Saturday September 20th. Thank you for all the support!

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. Please remember to keep track of your hours on the Volunteer Hours of Service form.

This month's volunteer opportunities are as follows.

Used Uniform Sale Help

Stephanie McEvoy could use the help of a few parents before and after the Parent General Meeting on the evening of October 6 to help with used uniform sales. Contact Stephanie if interested: stephanie.mcevoy@gmail.com

Field Trip Helpers

We need parent helpers in grades JK to 4 to accompany the field trips on Friday October 3rd. Please let the office know if you are available.

Book Fair Coordinator

We are looking for a volunteer to take over the role of Scholastic Book Fair Coordinator This year's book fair is November 19 - 21. Roles would include setting up and tearing down book fair, coordinating volunteers, tallying up money received and filling in sales sheet, possibly placing orders for out of stock books. If you are interested, please contact the office.

Book Fair Helpers

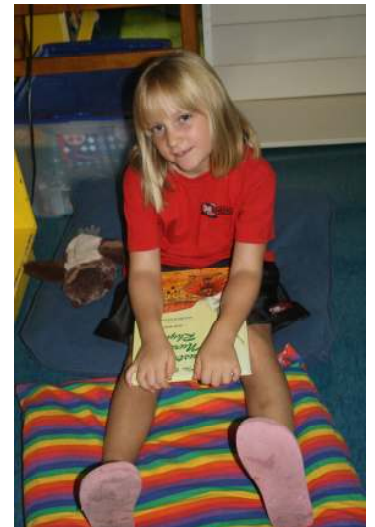
We also need people willing to work at the Book Fair during the day Thursday and Friday. Contact the office if interested.

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 new store in Carleton Place, please contact the ladies at
thestoreroom@calvaryca.com



Have a great month!

Blessings!

Tom Bourne
Principal

