

# October 2016

he first month of school is now behind us and we are thankful for God's care and providence at CCA.

The CCA community is a special group that has a strong sense of glorifying God and it is exciting to be a part of it.

I spent 4 days in the beautiful Rockies last week at the 2016 Christian Schools Principals Conference. I am thankful for the opportunity to attend with my wife to learn and grow. It was my first time travelling out west and I found myself many times marveling at the beauty of God's creation.

As much as I enjoyed God's creation, I must say the height of the time for me was gathering with 211 other Christian leaders from across our great nation and uniting in worship and praise. We had many times to worship together and it was precious. It reminded me of how blessed we are as a school community to begin each week in worship and praise as a school lifting up our voices to a loving God!

Psalm 67:5 Let the peoples praise You, O God; Let all the peoples praise You.





# 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 5th 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 <a href="mailto:steveandglenda@sympatico.ca">steveandglenda@sympatico.ca</a>

Wednesday October 19 at 2:30 pm Regular Assembly

#### 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 2016-17 School Calendar can be downloaded from our website.

#### Auction

CCA's Christmas Auction is scheduled for Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> 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!

A SCOTTISH CHRISTMAS CHARITY AUCTION

Please remember each family's requirement:

- Family donation worth a minimum of \$100 (These are tax receiptable if the sales receipts are attached). Don't forget you can purchase something on sale as long as the value is \$100. 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 (extra copies available from CCA's website) 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). The time you spend soliciting counts towards your required volunteer hours!

<u>Donations are due by November 4th.</u> You may leave them anytime at CCA in the front hallway.

We are in need of volunteers. 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.

We've got a Facebook site dedicated to the auction https://www.facebook.com/CalvaryChristmasAuction?fref=ts

Our catalogue is available for viewing here <a href="https://charityauction.bid/cca2016">https://charityauction.bid/cca2016</a>

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.

# October Field Trips

# Foley Mountain Conservation area (Westport)

All students will be bused (2 different days) to Foley Mountain just outside Westport to enjoy an outdoor day of special programming, light hiking and hopefully beautiful fall weather.

Dress: School uniforms. Dress for the weather as this is an outdoors event.

<u>Lunch</u>: Students must bring bag lunches and water bottles. No hot lunch will be provided. (If you ordered a hot lunch for that day you can have a credit on your next lunch order form.)

#### DATES

<u>Tuesday October 11:</u> Grades 6 - 8 Friday October 14: JK - Grade 5

Parent volunteers are needed. Please contact the office if you would like to help on this field trip.

In-House "Field Trip"

# Struggle for Survival simulation - October 17, 1-3 pm

Grades 8 - 11 will "experience poverty" as they try with their "family" to keep food on their table, clothes on their back, pay high rent, eek out a spot for them to live in a slum and finally try to work their way out of poverty.

For information on this and a video clip to watch from Sweden you will see the caliber of this event check out my Facebook event for this: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/531115073756940/">https://www.facebook.com/events/531115073756940/</a> Even endorsed by the UN Secretary. Many major corporations from around the world have been flying their staff into Hong Kong just to experience this. One major airline has sent 40 groups of their staff in. You can watch the video clip here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Pi9e4764Cc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Pi9e4764Cc</a>

## Follow-Up: Give 'em the Boot!

Pastor Ivan will be coming to CCA on Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup> to speak at chapel to share with us pictures and stories from our partnering with Calvary Pentecostal Church last year to help give the underprivileged children of Guatemala new rubber boots for school.

### 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 \$5.25 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 \$11 per family per meal.

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



#### Holidays

No school on Thanksgiving Monday, October 10th HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

#### No-bus afternoon

Wednesday October 12, 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 3 at 7 pm. All families are urged to attend this evening meeting to be brought up to date on many topics. We will no longer have a January AGM.

## Parent Observation Days

Wednesday, October 12 and Thursday, October 13

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 <u>Thursday October 20 and Friday October 21.</u> CCA staff will be attending the Global Leadership Summit.

## Photo Retakes

# Wednesday October 12

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. Orders from the first set of photos are due by Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup>.



## Prayer Night

Tuesday October 25 @ 7 pm

Please join us to pray for our upcoming school year and praise the Lord for all His blessings.

#### Running Club

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

# Softball Fundraiser

On Saturday September  $24^{th}$  CCA organized a Softball Fundraiser that saw 4 teams involved in friendly competition to determine the 2016 champion team. Congratulations to team Bible Thumpers on repeating as champions this year. Thanks to Chris Coker for leading and organizing the day.

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

Soccer at Beckwith Park

Monday, October 3Senior Boys and Senior GirlsTuesday, October 4Junior Boys and Junior Girls

Cross Country Running

Wednesday October 19 Grades 3-8 at Mill of Kintail

#### The Storeroom

Our second hand store, The Storeroom, located at 133 Bridge Street reached another milestone this past month - 3 years! We are so thankful for the Storeroom and all the volunteers. Without any question, it has been very successful in the two main purposes of the store: being a light in the community and helping to raise funds for the school.

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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/thestoreroomcarletonplace">https://www.facebook.com/thestoreroomcarletonplace</a> 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 <u>25 hours</u> 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 2017.

This month's volunteer opportunities are as follows.

#### Field Trip Helpers

We need parent helpers in grades JK to 8 to accompany the field trips to Foley Mountain on Tuesday October 11 (grades 6-8) and Friday October  $14^{th}$  (JK - Grade 5). 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

Have a great month! Blessings!

Tom Bourne

