

# A GLANCE AHEAD!

# **April 2021**

W ith Easter landing on the first weekend of this month, followers of Christ from all over the world will take time to REMEMBER what Christ has done for us as we humbly commemorate the cross of Christ on Good Friday and joyfully celebrate the empty tomb on Resurrection Sunday.

May we never grow weary of REMEMBERING what the Lord has done for us.

In the Old Testament, God often charged his people to REMEMBER what He had accomplished on their behalf because the Lord knows human beings are plagued with short memories of his goodness. Nowhere in scripture is the spiritual amnesia of God's people more clearly seen than in the story of the Exodus. Within two chapters of being rescued from slavery, we read that the Israelites were already grumbling towards God in the wilderness.

I think when you and I read the story of the Israelite's grumbling we are quick to judge them, wondering how they could be so ignorant and forgetful of what God saved them from. But, I think if we are honest, we may find we forget the Lord's goodness in our own lives much quicker than we ought to as well and we have much more in common with the grumbling Israelites than we like to admit.

To help quell the Israelite's spiritual amnesia, God sometimes directed his people to set up a memorial of remembrance. For example, in Joshua 3 God performed a miracle for his people by causing the Jordan River to stop flowing so they could cross over to the Promised Land on dry ground. He instructed Joshua to gather twelve stones and set up a memorial as a sign of remembrance for what He had done that day so they would always REMEMBER His faithfulness.

On Good Friday, we REMEMBER God's faithfulness to us by commemorating the cross of Jesus Christ and on Resurrection Sunday we REMEMBER God's faithfulness to us by celebrating Christ's empty tomb. The cross and the empty tomb are like the memorial next to the Jordan River. May they be signs of remembrance for us, always reminding us of what God has accomplished on our behalf.

As each of us gather with our families and churches on Easter weekend (though it may look a bit different than previous years), my prayer is that all of us will experience a renewed awe over what Jesus Christ has done for us as we REMEMBER His faithfulness. May the cross and the empty tomb be gracious reminders of the length and breadth and depth our Heavenly Father has gone too and our saviour Jesus Christ has endured, for our sake.

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. - 2 Corinthians 5:21

### 2021-22 Enrolment

The news about CCA's excellence is spreading, each week we receive several calls about enrolment for 2021-22 school year. This is in part due to your word-of-mouth advertising, thank you! Did you know that if a new family enrolls because of your word of mouth sharing, you receive an Ambassador Grant of \$500 which is applied to your family tuition. In the case that multiple families were involved the \$500 is shared.

Our Tuition Calculation Form will be coming home at the end of this month, this form is necessary to communicate your intentions for next school year and to ensure your child's spot in the class. Please be sure to fill it in and return it by the given date.



# April Break (postponed March Break)

In response to the recommendations from Public Health, CCA and CCHS will enjoy April Spring Break the week of April 12-16. We pray this will be a refreshing and enjoyable break for your family and for the Academy staff. Apple seed Preschool remains open during the Spring Break.

#### **Assemblies**

Thursday April 1 @ 2pm Virtual Easter Message

Wednesday April 7 @ 2 pm Virtual Assembly Wednesday April 21 @ 2:00 Virtual Assembly

# Clean Up Day

CCA staff and students will be putting on gloves and picking up garbage up and down the road and nearby properties, and cleaning up our yard on Friday April 30th beginning at 2:00pm. Clean up day is a day that is intended to bring awareness and appreciation for being good stewards and having a servant heart helping out. Students will be participating in cleaning up in and around CCA. Please send a pair of work gloves and a grocery bag to use for this activity.

# Grandparents Day - Save the Date: Wednesday May 12th

We are very much looking forward to the day we can invite our Grandparents to the school for a lunch and program but for this year (again) we will be producing a Grandparent Day virtual production. Please send in a picture of your Grandparent(s) to <a href="mailto:ccaonline@calvaryca.com">ccaonline@calvaryca.com</a> for this special presentation which will be made for you to send to your Grandparents and help them feel loved. Photo entries are due by the end of April.

#### Health and Wellness

CCA continues to be Covid-free and give God all the thanks for this season of health! Thank you to each of you for doing your part in keeping protocols and following the guidance to keep our school healthy. Please be sure to read the weekly Health and Wellness email updates for all the latest information. If you have any questions with regards to your circumstance, please call the office for direction and help.

# Holidays

Friday April 2 - Good Friday. Monday April 5 - Easter Monday - Happy Easter Monday April 12 - Friday April 16 - Spring Break

# Memorizing Scripture

Students are encouraged to participate in the March Memory Challenge, the last day to say your verses is Friday April  $9^{th}$  - Award Presentations will be made on Friday, April  $9^{th}$ .

Bronze: Psalm 119:1-6 Silver: Psalm 119:1-16 Gold: Psalm 119:1-24 Platinum: Psalm 119:1-40



# Mid Semester Report Cards

Mid Semester Report Cards will be going home with students on Wednesday, April 21 instead of April  $14^{th}$  as previously scheduled.

# No Uniform Days

Fridays in April (April 9, 23, 30) are dress down days, thanks to the generous bidders at our annual Christmas auction.

# Running Club

Once the track is dry enough, Running Club will start up again as we participate as a school community in our "Get Out" initiative with a goal to run across Canada by accumulating 8000kms.

# Staff Update

We want to say good-bye to Mrs. Macdonald and wish her well as she finishes off her teaching before expecting a baby next month. We pray for a healthy delivery, baby and mom © A warm CCA welcome to Ms.Billings who will teach the grade 4's for the remaining months of the school year with some support from another teacher.

Welcome to Ms. Katelyn Pryce, a new addition to the Pryce and Beckwith Dream Team (Twice the Pryce!!) in Appleseed's Preschool. Katelyn will be joining the preschool team to round out the team who cares for 16 of CCA's youngest children each day.

#### Summer Programs

For the summer of 2021 CCA will offer an abbreviated Summer Program for children aged 4-6 beginning June 28 and running for the month of July. We hope to resume our full summer program next summer. As we enter our tenth year of summer programs, we are looking forward to a full program, if you are interested apply early. For more information visit <a href="http://calvaryca.com/summerprogram/">http://calvaryca.com/summerprogram/</a>

# Speech Competition

Last Month each student presented their speeches in the classroom and several chose to participate in CCA's own virtual speech competition on Monday March 8th - well done to each one! You can watch the CCA's Speak Out competition on Youtube if you request the link from the office. Congratulations to everyone and especially our winners in the Primary, Junior and Intermediate divisions.

# In the Primary Division

First Place - Mika Hobbs (Animals that would NOT make good pets) Second Place - Parker Evoy (American Foot ball) and Daniel Boogerman (Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire)

#### In the Junior Division

First Place - Livia Kruszelnicki (Kids in History)
Second Place - Kolden Foster (Character development in stories)
Third Place - Haavah Kruszelnicki (Elephants) and Isaac Evoy (D-Day)

# In the Intermediate Division

First Place - Caleb Bourne (Greatest people of all time) Second Place - Arianna Roth (Memories) Third Place - Toby Summach (Peanut Butter sandwiches)



# Where's Franktown? 2021 Update

This year would have marked the 17<sup>th</sup> year since we started our annual Where's Franktown run. With the uncertainty of the pandemic and restrictions in place, we are sadly postponing our traditional run again this year. Instead, we will embark on a school wide running endeavor that requires full student and staff participation during school hours to raise money to invest in a large campus initiative to maximize the outside

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space God has blessed us with at the Academy.

Beginning in April, and running into May until we reach our "GET OUT" goal, students will resume our Running Club program on the CCA track as we look to accumulate kilometers and run the equivalent distance of running across Canada - 8000km!!

More details about the initiative will come out in the near future...stay tuned!

# April Alumni Update - Gabe Schilke

What path of schooling did you pursue after graduating CCA or CCHS? After graduating CCHS, I did a year of mission work, then decided to go to a Christian university to get a degree in the sciences.

# Where are you at on that path?

Right now I am at Redeemer University studying Kinesiology with a minor in Biology.

# Do you still have connections to the Academy?

Yes, I still have many connections to the Academy and High School. Many of my siblings still go there and I am still in contact with many of the friends that I met during my time there.



# What would you like to share with the Academy students and families today?

I would just like to encourage the students that God has a plan. Deciding what path of schooling to undertake can be stressful but God loves you and has a plan for you. Just trust Him and take the next step in faith.

#### How can we pray for you?

You can pray that I would understand and be able to walk in the things that God has for me at this time and place in my life. That I would be a light and an encourager to the people around me.

# Any funny or special memories from your time at CCA?

I had a lot of good times during my time at CCA and CCHS but I would say some of my favorites would be playing cards, spike ball, and basketball at lunch, the annual Christian school volleyball and badminton tournaments, and the end of year trip to camp Cherith in my grade 11 year. Some funny memories would be seeing Jose Calderon's look-alike at the badminton tournament and the movie theater ideas that the grade 12 class came up with in my last year.

# Have a great month! Tom Bourne, Principal

