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# Principal's Ponderings

Mr. T. Postma

The school year continues to move along as God, in His providence, has ordained. We have already seen many wonderful developments and activities including the bazaar, Christmas program, various tournaments, service projects, assemblies and much more. All of these things not only testify of God's providence but also His faithfulness.

This year will go down in memory as another one where the ice rink never "solidified." We continue to experience the effects of El Nino right in our own backyard. This is disappointing as this winter activity always provided the students with wonderful skating moments; it kept them occupied and enabled them to improve a very healthy skill. As they say, "There's always next year!"

As I am writing this piece, the grade 2 students are enjoying Dr. Seuss day. Students are dressed up along Dr. Seuss themes and I was even invited to sample a morsel of "green eggs and ham." I applaud the chef. Next door, in grade 3, the students



are celebrating Pioneer Day. Here too, the students are dressed up. The teacher addresses them by last names first. Their lunch baskets consist of cupcakes, bread and apple cider. Many parents assisted in making the day as authentically pioneer as possible. By the time I extracted myself from all that fun, I missed the history feast day in the grade 7 class. But I did hear about it. There, the students acted as colonists or "habitants" of New France. They had worked the land and paid their taxes to the Seigneur. He in return hosted a feast day where the "habitants" performed a skit, sang songs, played instruments, displayed art work and enjoyed a meal – which included their own baked bread. And so, day after day, there is something extra, something deeper and broader as we delve into the topics, the issues, the program of studies. Reaching out to the students in various and creative ways, helping them to enjoy learning and to bloom where they are planted, all speak to what we aspire to as Christian educators.

Speaking of extra-curricular activities: right now, we are also preparing for the Fine Arts Festival, the music festival at Redeemer University College, the Book Fair and a major spring program, *The Sound of Music*. This musical will be presented by our grades 4-8 students. "When [our students] know the notes to sing, [they] can sing most anything." Of course you will want to

confirm that, so do plan to attend our performances in May (see calendar of events).

We are currently in the midst of planning for the next school year. Three main areas for consideration include staffing needs, registration and budgets. We anticipate the return of most of our teachers. Mrs. Breimer will be going on maternity leave. She and her husband await the arrival in May of their first child. May the Lord make all things well. Our June *In Touch* will detail how we plan to move forward with staffing. In terms of the budget, the BOD takes very seriously the cost of tuition at CCS. To that end, we explore ways and means to decrease expenses and increase revenue without automatically increasing tuition. When all things are said and done, we may have to increase tuition but it is not done without due consideration as to what the community can absorb. Tuition is a sensitive matter. For some families, there is a willingness to pay more for quality services. For other families, it becomes a deep burden to meet such higher costs. The school does have a tuition assistance program, and we continue to urge families to donate to it or to investigate it if the need is there. Calvin Christian School is indeed blessed with a good enrollment from year to year. Here too, the Lord directs our mission. May He guide us and enable Christian education to prosper.

## Calendar of Events

### Open House:

Monday, May 2, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### \*Grandparents Day:

Tuesday, May 3, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Lunch is included.

### Sound of Music Performance:

Tuesday, May 3, 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday, May 5, 11:00 a.m. (matinee show)

Sunrise Fest: Saturday, May 7

Walk-a-thon: Saturday, May 28

Golf Tournament: Saturday, June 4

\*Grandparents Day: You will notice that Grandparents Day has a new date and a new time. We have switched the day to a Tuesday and the day will begin at 9:00 a.m. Our staff and students are excited to welcome you to our school for the morning! Be sure to check our website for all the latest information regarding school events.

### Front cover:

Students collected a total of 480 pounds of non food items for Neighbour to Neighbour

## Primary French Mrs. J. Van Eek

"Qu'est-ce qui se passe?" and "Le ciel tombe!" are a sampling of phrases that the primary students are using to retell the story of Chicken Little en français. *La Poule Maboule* is just one of the story-telling units in the new Histoires en Action/AIM program now being taught at CCS. This program has proven to be a revolutionary new and unique approach to second language instruction, and so far the CCS students are loving it!

What is unique about it? It is taught in French only, so students receive an immersion experience. The teacher prompts the students to speak chorally, using hand gestures, so students are learning kinesthetically, visually, and orally. All the very valuable and useful (and irregular!) verbs are learned in conjunction with associated nouns, so students are able to use full sentence expressions to communicate authentically. Story, song, video, drama, partner and group work are integrated, so students are engaged in a variety of ways.

Overall, the program is bringing joy and success to these young French learners. If you would like to learn more about the program, please check out the AIM website: <http://www.aimlanguagelearning.com/> or contact me: [jvaneeek@ccshamilton.ca](mailto:jvaneeek@ccshamilton.ca). I'd love to share my passion about second language learning with you!



## Teddy Bear Picnic Mrs. J. Hagen

On January 29<sup>th</sup>, Calvin Christian School welcomed over 30 children along with their siblings and caregivers to the seventh annual Teddy Bear Picnic. This morning event involved the careful planning of the Public Relations Committee and targeted families in the Christian community who are making decisions about their children's education. Here are some comments from parents and children who attended:



"My daughter had heard so much about Jubilee from her older brothers so she could hardly wait for her own turn at the Teddy Bear Picnic. She held on tightly to her teddy as she took in everything at first. She loved playing with the hoola hoops in the gym and singing some well-loved Bible songs with her new friends! She was so proud of her teddy bear mask she made in the Jubilee room with Mrs. Hagen. The whole morning was a great way to experience what fun she will have in Jubilee. The next day, she woke up expecting that school was going to start. It may be a long wait until September! It is evident that God's love shines through the teachers and volunteers who work to provide a loving, Christ-centred environment for our children to grow in. We are so thankful that we and our children can be a part of that!" *Erin Brodie*

"We were excited to bring our son to the Teddy Bear picnic. After being a part of the school community for a number of years, it was incredible to experience CCS as a parent for the first time. Although my son started off feeling nervous, the smiling faces, warm welcomes, and well-planned activities helped him to settle in right away. That night he was singing *He's got the Whole World in His Hands* and smiled whenever we mentioned school. I came away from the Teddy Bear Picnic with even more appreciation for the learning communities of care and grace that exist throughout the school, starting in Jubilee!" *Allison Dekker*

"Hi! My name is Iden and I'm 3 years old. I got to go to the Teddy Bear Picnic last Friday! With my teddy bear in one hand and my mom's leg in the other, I was set to go. Pretty soon, both my hands were free to play with all the toys that had been set out for me and the other 3 year olds. We got to visit different parts of the school and meet our new teacher. I was surprised that my classroom has a slide AND plastic dinosaurs. My mom loved the big bright windows in my classroom. Another person I got to meet was the principal, Mr. Postma. He showed all of us his three favourite teddy bears. He seems really great, too. My favourite part of the morning was playing with the parachute in the gym. We got to put our teddy bears in the middle of the parachute and then see if we could make them jump by pulling the sides. It was so fun! Thanks for getting me even more excited about coming to CCS in September!" *Winona & Iden Siebenga*

# Staff Introductions



**Mrs. Trisha Brouwer** is a paraeducator in one of the grade one classes. She and Duane have four children, all of whom attend CCS. She holds a B.A and a B.Ed from Redeemer University College. She is the GEMS (girls club) head counsellor at her church. Trisha enjoys playing

volleyball, being part of a book club, cooking and baking. Her family likes to hike together and explore the trails around Hamilton.



**Mrs. Teresa Bowers** is a paraeducator in grade eight. She and Kevin are blessed with three children who attend Providence Christian School in Dundas. She grew up in Whitby and she studied music and education at Redeemer University College. She has enjoyed supply teaching prior to her current position. She

volunteers on committees at her children's school. She loves to go north to spend time with family and friends. Teresa also enjoys building up volleyball programs in Ancaster.



**Ms. Kirsten Vos** grew up in Ottawa and now lives in Hamilton with her daughter who is in grade four at CCS. She attended Redeemer University College and graduated with a B.A and B.Ed. She recently received a degree in Autism and Behaviour Sciences. She is working as a

personal support worker and educational assistant with grade one and two students. Kirsten enjoys hiking, reading, drawing, and painting. Kirsten also sings on the praise team at her church and she enjoys helping out with Vacation Bible School.



**Mrs. Lianna Reitsma** is a CCS graduate. She and her husband Peter have two boys enrolled at CCS. She worked for fifteen years in administration in a hospital and at the CAS. She is excited to be working in a school environment. She holds a B.A in English from Redeemer

University College. She is a member of the Hamilton Potter's Guild and enjoys crafting beautiful pieces of pottery. Lianna also enjoys being involved in her church and spending time with her family.



**Mrs. Amanda Sisson** is OCT certified and has a TESL (Teaching English as a Second Language) Diploma. She graduated from Redeemer University College in 2015 and got married a week later to her husband, Perry. They are youth leaders at West Highland Baptist Church and currently enjoy living down the mountain in

Hamilton. She worked as an ESL teacher for Columbia International College's summer camp and had a three month contract as the grade six teacher at Beacon Christian School. Amanda is a grade 1 paraeducator and is also involved in helping with the upcoming musical, *Sound of Music*.

## Staff News

We congratulate John van Arragon on becoming a grandfather when his son and daughter-in-law adopted two year old Ashton. We also congratulate Ted Postma on the birth of another grandson, Troy Frederic Henry Schat. Paul Flowersmith also welcomed another grandchild, Aubrylynn Olive. We pray these little additions will bring much joy to their families.

## Student Council

Mrs. S. Wikkerink

In October, the students from grades four to eight gathered in the gym to listen to potential student council members present their speeches. After the assembly, everyone went back to their classrooms to vote for the Calvin Christian School Student Council of 2015-2016. The members of this year's student council are Sydney, Devon, Jonah, Alena, Carly, Jean, Kaitlyn, Sue, Jamie and Jonathan.

Student Council has had a busy year so far. We have held a hot chocolate sale to raise funds for our sponsor child and for City Kidz. In December, the students decorated their teachers for Christmas. The costumes were amazing. We saw the Grinch and Cindy Lou Who and an entire Christmas dinner table. In January, we held a "Dress Like your Teacher" day. It was great to see so many student and teacher look-a-likes. In February, we are sharing our love with others by bringing items for an "Anything but Food" drive. Student council members will be delivering these items to Neighbour to Neighbour.



We look forward to a few more great student council sponsored events in the months to come.

# Sports at CCS

## Girls' Volleyball

Ms. K. Lenters & Mrs. A. Breimer

The 2015-2016 girls' volleyball season has come to a close, but we had a fantastic season. This year we submitted two teams to the HDCH invitational and the NDCS volleyball tournament. Much improvement was evident on both teams as the season progressed. Our first tournament was the HDCH invitational where the girls got some great game experience and learned how to communicate and work together as a team. At our final NDCS tournament, Team B had some strong wins and had a great finish to their day. Team A had a bit of a tough start but was able to pull it together as a team and make their way all the way to the finals! The girls have a lot to be proud of!



## Boys' Volleyball

Mr. N. Wensink

In the months of November and December, the boys' volleyball team geared up for a new season of volleyball. Our first tournament was held at HDCH, where we finished our pool in first place. The boys continued to play very well in the new format of volleyball called triple ball, focusing much more on making good plays, rather than on serving. We ended up playing in the finals and finished our day in second place. Our next and final tournament was held at Heritage Christian School in Jordan. In this tournament, the boys really came together as a team and played very well in the lines that were set. We were in a tough pool for this tournament, but again finished our pool in first place. After facing a few more tough teams in the playoff brackets, we finished

our day in third place. Overall, the volleyball team this year played hard, played well, and showed great sportsmanship, both in wins and losses.

## Hockey Report

Mr. A. Boonstra

On Friday, February 5, fourteen boys and three girls from CCS competed in the annual Niagara District Christian Schools hockey tournament. The team had two practices and one exhibition game to prepare. At the tournament, the team won two games in our pool and lost the third. That record allowed us to make the semi finals. In a very exciting game, we ended up losing 4-1 when the other team scored a couple of late goals. In the consolation game, we blasted out to a 5-0 lead and hung on for a 6-4 victory, allowing us to claim third place overall. Great job team!

# Golden Horseshoe Music Festival

Mrs. D. Vanegmond

Congratulations to the CCS Senior Choir and Concert Band who achieved a gold and silver standard respectively at the 2016 Golden Horseshoe Music Festival held in February, at Redeemer University College. We are very proud of their accomplishments! This was a first time entry for CCS, joining another 115 ensembles from other private and public schools in the Golden Horseshoe District. In addition to the performances, the students enjoyed a free lunch time concert by the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra. Overall, the festival was a benefit to our students. We hope to participate again in 2017!

### Bus Driver Needed

CCS has an opening for a bus driver for approximately 20 hours per week plus class trips when needed. If you are interested in this position, and have a valid B class license, please send a resume and statement of faith to Mr. Jim Hosmar at [jhosmar@ccshamilton.ca](mailto:jhosmar@ccshamilton.ca), or call the school office at 905 388-2645.

### Student Quotes:

**Gr. 1 student:** I lost a molar.

**A classmate:** No, you didn't! You can only lose teeth, not molars!

**Gr. 1 teacher during French class:** Cinq, quatre, trois...

**Student:** Hey, she's counting down in Spanish.

During a study about the human body,

**Gr. 1 teacher:** The stomach is actually quite small.

**Student:** But, you should see my dad's!



Cupcakes for Kyra



Gr. 7 Habitant Day



Report card day



Assembly skit Gr.



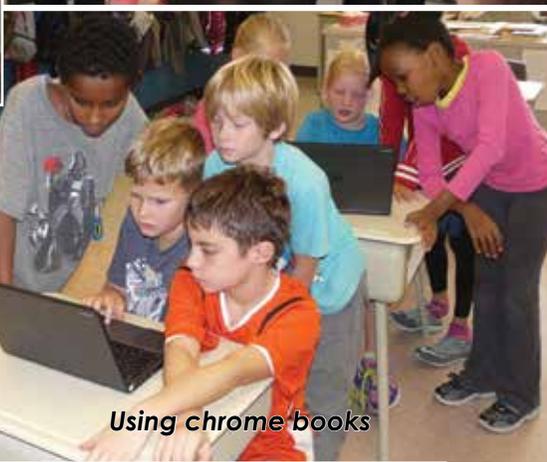
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Making beautiful music



Science



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A pioneer lunch



French clowns Gr. 4



Visiting Battlefield House



Big and little buddies



Gr. 3 and Gr. 4



Dress like the teacher



Playing marbles Gr. 3 Pioneer Day



Gr. 4



Gr. 1 at the re-Source Thrift Shop



Gr. 4 meets veterans



at the Teddy Bear Picnic



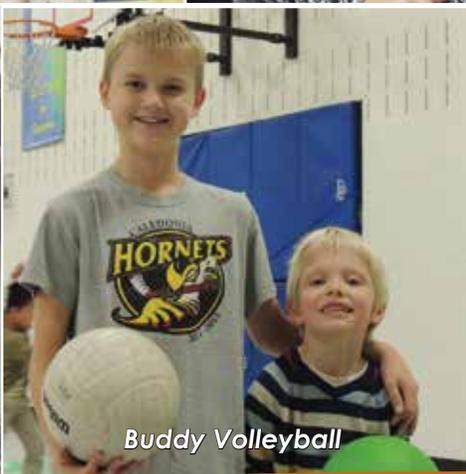
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Habitant Day Gr. 7



Gr. 1 Christmas with grandfriends



Buddy Volleyball



Hoola hoop fun



Dress your teacher

# Student Work

## With a Friend

I have a best friend. Her name is Gloria. We like to make towers together and we also like to give hugs to each other. When it's time for her to go home I give her one more hug. Hugging is best with a friend. *China U. Gr. 1A*

## With a Friend

I have a cool friend. His name is Braeden. We met in grade one. We are best friends. We play every day. He is nice, really nice. He went to my house. I went to his too. Braeden is funny. Playing is best with a friend. *Deacon M. Gr. 1A*

## Animals Build

How do beavers and termites know how to build? Well, God taught them. The beaver makes its house out of mud and sticks. Termites build their house for when it is hot to be cool, and when it is cold to be warm. It is cool, isn't it? To me it is cool. *Aiden V. Gr. 1A*

## Animals Build

Beavers make their homes so that they can hide from mountain wolves. Beavers bring branches, but first they chew the bark off. Their homes are called a lodge. God made beavers. Beavers are wild. Beavers make their homes with mud and sticks. *Ava P. Gr. 1A*

## The Park

I like going to the park. I like the amusement park because they have really fun stuff. I like the merry-go-round. I also like the roller coasters. I also like the water parks. I like the splash pad. It's the best. *Joseph T. Gr. 1A*

## The Park

I like going to the park because you can go on the monkey bars. You can go on the slide too. You can also go on the swings. There are swimming parks. There are running tracks. You can go to a baseball park. *Eli W. Gr. 1A*

## Snow Day

White, Snowy  
Snowmobiling, Skating, Sledding  
Snow settling on branches  
No school  
*Kiyle V. 2A*

## Ice

Frozen, Smooth  
Skating, Ice fishing, Cracking  
Ice on the grass  
Icicles  
*Hannah Z. 2A*

## Snowballs

Round, Snowy  
Throwing, Hitting, Dodging  
Having lots of fun  
Snowballs  
*Moriah K. 2A*

## Penguin

White, Black  
Laughing, Slipping, Sliding  
Penguins are so cute.  
Winter bird  
*Grace T. 3A*

## Arctic Fox

Scary, Fierce  
Running, Growling, Prowling  
Very vicious, watch out!  
Carnivore  
*Brayden M. 3A*

## Winter Opposites

I like building snowmen.  
I dislike when they melt.

I like to skate.  
I dislike when I fall and hurt myself.

I like making snow angels.  
I dislike when people step on them.

I like going sledding.  
I dislike falling off.

I like playing in the snow.  
I dislike getting frostbite.

I like sliding on the ice.  
I dislike getting hurt.  
*Olivia W. 3A*

## Snowman

I built a snowman.  
Pat, pat  
My snowman started to melt in  
the sun.  
Drip, drip  
I decided to go skating and fell.  
Ouch, ouch  
I was flying along the ice.  
Wee, wee  
I did a back flip in the air.  
Woah, woah  
I landed on my feet.  
Stomp, stomp  
*Joshua R. 3A*

## 4A's stories about putting on a skit...

Last week, our group did a play called, *The Princess Who Was Hidden from the World*. We put on the play for the grade 1B class. I was the servant girl, Andrew was the old chief, Jada was the princess, and Clairra was the young chief. Our group loved doing the play for the grade 1 class, and they enjoyed it. They learned that you sometimes need to be wiser. The play was about an old chief who didn't tell his daughter about the world. A servant went with her to a rainforest. The princess didn't know anything so she asked the servant girl and she said, "I can only tell you the story for a price." The princess kept on giving her things, not noticing that the servant girl tricked her. The young chief mistook the servant girl for the princess and married her. We also had a painting for the background that Ms. DeJong painted. It had a palm tree, peacock, rainbow, and a waterfall on it. *Samantha J.*

The skit we put on was called *The Princess Who Was Hidden Away from the World*. I was the old chief, Eden was the servant girl, Ryan was the young chief, and Hannah was the princess. In the skit the servant girl tricked the princess. The princess asked about nature, and the servant girl tricked the princess out of her things. The princess didn't know anything about nature

because her father, the old chief, didn't tell his daughter about the world. That is why the princess was tricked so easily. Our group put on the skit for Mrs. Hartman's class. All the people in our group had robes (blankets) and a bongo drum the size of a globe. We had the backdrop taped to the Promethean board because it was Dr. Seuss Day for grade 2. *Micah B.*

### Grade 6A Bible Journal Entries for The Triumphal Entry

Dear Journal,  
I'm sorry this is messy. It's really hard to write with hoofs. Today the strangest thing happened. I was grazing in the field when two random men walked up to me. I wanted to run, but I couldn't. Then my master came out and I was so relieved. They had a short chat, but I was only able to make out part of it. I heard that someone named Yeshuah was in town and wanted to ride me, a donkey never ridden before! So I went with the two men. I did my best to look strong. Then someone climbed on my back as I walked towards the mob of

people. They had palm branches in their hand. Yum. Was it a snack for me? I saw the people were looking at the man they called Yeshuah or Emmanuel meaning "God with us". I knew then that I was carrying a king on my back, a king who would save people from their sins. He was not here to conquer the Romans. *Chelsea S.*

Dear Journal,  
The strangest thing happened today. We were walking to Jerusalem and Jesus asked me and a few other disciples, "Go ahead of me. You will find a colt tied up. Untie it and bring it to me." We were confused about why Jesus, the Messiah, would want to ride on a donkey. But we didn't question Jesus and went on ahead, found a donkey, untied it, and brought it to Jesus. Jesus got on the colt and started to ride into Jerusalem. As he entered the city, people laid their cloaks down on the road, picked palm branches and waved them in the air while shouting, "Hosanna!" The palm branches represented prosperity, beauty and victory. They were like waving national flags. I

wonder if the people knew who he really was and how he was going to save them. *Claire W.*

Dear Journal,  
I was so excited for Jesus to come! I decided to get there a little early. More and more people started showing up, but I had a good view of everything. We waited a while. My plan was that as soon as Jesus would come, I would wave my palm branch. Then in the distance I saw someone riding a donkey. I thought maybe it could be him, but riding on a donkey? Then as the figure got closer I realized it was Jesus! I started waving my palm branch wildly. I was wondering why Jesus was riding a colt. People say he's a king, but he doesn't look like a king. People also say he is going to overcome the Romans. What makes this man so great? Others say he has done what men can't do. I would like to see this myself. I yelled "Hosanna" many times. When Jesus passed by me, he seemed calm. For the rest of the day I had a hard time getting him out of my mind. *Jane J.*

## Knitting Club

*Ms. R. Deweerd*

What brings students together better than a set of needles and a cup of hot chocolate? New this year to CCS is our knitting club in grade 6. The club consists of just over 20 students who are eager to learn the intricate skill of knitting. Our first project is well underway, a basic knitted infinity scarf. All students were given needles and yarn in a colour of their choice. We meet once a week during lunch hour where we knit and get to know each other better. Some knitters have begun a second project, a knitted newborn hat. We are currently in contact with McMaster Hospital and are hoping to donate our hats later this year. This has created a great opportunity to use our talents to help out in the greater Hamilton community. We look forward to more projects ahead and hope to expand the knitting club to other students in the future.



## Bazaar Total

The CCS bazaar in November raised \$50,570 for the school! Thanks to all the committee members and volunteers who spent countless hours putting together this fun family event!

## A Visit to the re-Source Thrift Shop Miss W. Wierenga



As a culmination to our Matter and Materials unit of study, the two grade one classes visited the re-Source Thrift Shop. There we had the reduce-reuse-recycle message reinforced. Mrs. Hosmar showed us around the store including the receiving and sorting area. We dropped off old batteries and donated toys that we no longer used. The highlight, though, was being allowed to purchase something to take home. In some cases that meant buying an item that a classmate had donated. We were thrilled to return to school with new treasures. Who knew shopping could be so fun?!



You are encouraged to visit the store on Upper Gage near the Linc. Proceeds support Christian education at CCS.

## Earth Rangers Miss W. Wierenga

Earth Rangers is an organization that promotes conservation and the protection of wildlife. We were privileged recently to host them at school. Grades one through six learned about animals around the world that are threatened with extinction. Several live animals kept us entertained as we learned about habitat destruction and pollution. We had to duck our heads as a falcon swooped its way back and forth across the gym. It was a great way to be reminded of the diversity and interconnectedness of creation.



## Cupcakes for Kyra Mrs. T. Kooistra, Mrs. R. Winkel, and Mr. P. Veldhuis

Since suffering a stroke in September, Kyra Dobrenski has been on the minds and hearts of her grade five classmates. Although the students have supported Kyra through daily prayer requests as well as with cards/gifts of encouragement, they still wanted to do something more for Kyra and her family. After discussions were held in both classes, the idea of a school wide bake sale to raise funds was born.

With the creative idea of Mrs. Kooistra, it was decided to make "owl" cupcakes for the entire student body. Why an owl, you might ask? Owls are Kyra's favourite bird!



With the help of parents and former CCS students, over 500 vanilla and chocolate owl cupcakes were baked and many bags of Oreo cookies, cans of frosting, and bags of Smarties were donated. On the morning of February 2, donning latex gloves, each grade 5 student helped to decorate around ten cupcakes. Not only was the entire student body served cupcakes, but a school parent placed an order for two dozen cupcakes as a treat for his colleagues at work!

The grade 5A/5B students wish to thank the CCS community for their generous support of the "Cupcakes for Kyra" fundraiser. Over \$1900 was raised to assist the Dobrenski family. Above all, we thank God for blessing us in this fundraiser and continuing to provide His healing hand in the life of our classmate, Kyra.

# 2015/16 Drive *Mrs. N. Rumph*

We are in the midst of our 2015/16 Drive and we would like to thank all who have contributed to it. With your support, you are helping CCS to provide a Christian education that is affordable. Our focus is on three key areas which are tuition assistance, the bus reserve and the building reserve.

**Tuition Bursary** – We were unable to serve several families and it is difficult to say farewell to families due to a lack of finances. Currently sixteen families receive assistance which translates to an accumulated total of \$40,000.

**Building Reserve** – Maintenance and replacement costs continue to increase as the building ages. Preparing for tomorrow also means making sure we have a high quality and up-to-date school facility for our students, staff and community.

**Bus Reserve** – The life cycle of a bus is approximately twelve years. With six buses this means we are replacing a bus every two years. The cost for one bus is about \$110,000. Your support helps us to transport many children to and from school each day as well as on class trips.

We welcome and appreciate your support. To donate please send your cheque to the school or donate online at [www.ccs-hamilton.ca](http://www.ccs-hamilton.ca).

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