Calvin Christian School Courier

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From the Desk of Mr. Boonstra:

In the event of a snow day, the best place to find out is our school website. We hope to have the information up by 7:00 a.m. We also try to have an announcement on 900 CHML radio, as well as a parent e-blast.

- This past Tuesday, CCS hosted a Christian Schools Canada conference that focused on a research proposal submitted by Relational Schools. It was a fascinating time of learning about the importance of developing meaningful relationships within the school context. I was reminded of the importance of Responsive Classroom within our own school, as we seek to support students socially and emotionally to help them develop meaningful relationships.

- Just a reminder that next Friday (Feb. 15) is the District PD day for our school. CCS will be hosting educators/teachers from the Niagara region. The topic for the day is entitled "Supporting Students with Behavioural and Mental Health Challenges. As you can see, I believe the topic ties in nicely with what I communicated last week about the importance of good mental health. I'm excited to see how we can be supported in our quest to support students faced with mental health challenges. There is no school for the students on this day.

Job Opportunity (Sept. 2019): The CCS Personnel Committee will be looking to fill a definite opening in the primary grades to cover a maternity leave. The committee also invites applications for a band instructor. Christian teachers interested in applying for either of these positions are asked to submit a cover letter, resume, statement of belief, and a philosophy of Christian education to me (aboonstra@ccshamilton.ca).

- The CCS Board of Directors will be focusing on replacing board members over the next few weeks. You are invited to forward names to the board secretary. A final list of nominees will be voted on at the spring membership meeting.

- Congratulations to the school hockey team as they placed third in the district tournament.

- A big thank you to the grade 3 class as they invited me to visit them while enjoying Pioneer Day. It felt a little strange walking into the room and having the students rise and acknowledge my presence with a "good morning, sir." It was great to see the students making cornbread and butter as well - well done grade 3!

- Registration documents for the upcoming school year (2019/20) for JK-Gr. 8 were due last week. If you have not returned your forms, please do so as soon as possible. These documents are important for budgetary purposes.

Upcoming at CCS:

Edcom	Tuesday, Feb. 12
Special Lunch Day	Wednesday, Feb. 13
Little Caesars Pizza Pick Up 3:00 to 5:30	Wednesday, Feb. 13
Happy Valentine's Day	Thursday, Feb. 14
PD Day (No School)	Friday, Feb. 15
Family Day (No School)	Monday, Feb. 18
Indoor Track	Thursday, Feb. 21
Night time Auction and Dinner!	Saturday, Feb. 23
February Fiesta Mexican Dinner!	Saturday, Feb. 23
Mexican hor d'oeuvres or el entremés! 5:00 pm	
February Fiesta dinner or Fiesta de febrero begins 5:30 pm	

Please join us for the AUCTION at 7:00 pm!

Grade 1A: Our class had the opportunity to visit the fire station this week. We were happy to be able to learn about fire safety, explore the fire trucks, and see them use the fire pole. We even got to see them leave for a fire call at the end. Thanks to Mrs.Veldpaus, Mrs. Tigchelaar, Mr. Terpstra, and Mr. Schilstra for coming along with us! RK

Grades 3A and 8A are hosting our worship assembly on Friday, February 22nd at 9:15. We look forward to focusing on this month's message which is, "as a child of God, you are loved by God". All are welcome.

If anyone has an extra microwave they would be willing to donate to the 8b class, it would be greatly appreciated! Our 10+ year old machine has finally broken down and we love warm lunches. Thank you so much. The students of 8b.

7 & 8 Ski Trip - A letter was sent home today with your child regarding further details about the ski/boarding/tubing trip scheduled for Friday, February 15th. Students need to be at CCS by 6:50 am for a 7:00 am departure. Set your alarms and please be prompt! We anticipate being back at school around 7:00 pm. In case of inclement weather and the need to cancel the trip, please check the school website. CM

Blazer Hockey: It was a great week of hockey for the CCS team. We played Providence in an exhibition game on Tuesday and squeaked out a 5-4 victory. Yesterday, the team competed in the annual district tournament. In that tournament, we won all 3 of our games, only to lose in shootout in the semi finals. The team went on to win the consolation game to finish in 3rd place. Great job, team! Looking to next week, the team will play in the HDCH/Guido Invitational Hockey tournament. The games will take place at the Hamilton 4-Ice Centre (710 Mountain Brow Blvd, Hamilton). Players who need a ride to the arena should meet at CCS at 6:45 a.m. to carpool. The first game is slated for 7:45 a.m. A letter with the rest of the details was sent home with the players today. AB

Little Caesar's Pizza Kits
The Little Caesar's Pizza kits will be available for pickup at the school Wed. Feb 13, 3 - 5:30 pm. Please ensure you pick up your orders as there is no room to store at the school beyond this time.

Bulldogs Game Volunteers Needed
If you are joining us at the game, please consider volunteering some time. We are running the Chuck-a-puck and looking for some volunteers to help sell pucks. email fundraising@ccshamilton.ca

TRIP: Have you made plans for Family Day weekend...trip to Indigo, dinner out with your family.... check out this week's online Fundscrip for new February promotions

The Items for the first Annual CCS Night Auction is growing and getting better and better!

Here are some of the items available:
- Safari Niagara 4 Day Passes
- Dinner for 8 by Gourmet Meats!
- John Savidas - 1 month free certificate
- Sports Tickets: Tiger Cats, Raptors and Maple Leafs!
- Lake Eric Cottage Getaway (sleeps 6)
- Complimentary ticket for Lancaster PA's Sight and Sound Theatre
- Musical entertainment for your event by the Harsevoort siblings!
- Lazermania tickets