



Calvin Christian School Courier

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From the desk of Mr. Boonstra...

- Field Day is set for this Wednesday, May 22, with the rain date the following day (May 23). Should we need to reschedule Field Day, we will post the announcement on our website. In case of cancellation, we will have a regular school day and students would need to bring their lunches. If the weather takes a turn for the worse on Field Day, students will continue with the usual Wednesday classes and be permitted to have their field day lunches. Upon arrival on Wednesday, students are expected to go to their home room as usual for devotions and attendance, and from there, they will join their team members and go to their first event. See more information on Field Day in this courier, as well as on our website. Please feel free to join us for the day!
- Please join us for the Spring Membership Meeting on Wednesday, May 29. A number of very important topics are on the agenda, which was sent out this past Wednesday. The HDCH Venture Team will be sharing a short presentation on the new inclusive playground design, an update on our growth plans will be shared and a vote on the school's membership policy will also take place. Voting for 3 new board members is also on the agenda, so please plan to attend this very important meeting!
- Thank you to our Fundraising Committee as they hosted a wonderful Sunrise Fest last Saturday and thank you to everyone who support the event.
- The Fundraising Committee is also busy planning the next event - the CCS Walk-a-thon/Bike-a-thon, which is set for Saturday, May 25. Why not come with the whole family and enjoy an amazing CCS community event. This year's walk-a-thon is taking place at T.B. McQuesten Park, a new location. All proceeds raised go towards keeping tuition rates down. Incidentally, I'm willing to sponsor students, so why not ask your son or daughter to come and see me.
- Healthy Smiles Ontario (HSO) offers a free dental screening for children under age 18 and for families in financial need. For more information contact the City of Hamilton Public Health Dental Services at 905-546-2424 Ext. 5369.
- Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the N2N (food bank) Great Rice Round Up. We have already filled a number of large containers with dozens of bags of rice. The program wraps up on June 14.
- Yesterday we were privileged to be able to celebrate Pentecost Day. We invited Ed Skowron and Martin Lamb from Ethnos to share a little about the ministry they do in spreading the gospel. I know the children enjoyed Mr. Skowron's puppet show. Be sure to ask your child about it!
- Master Field Day: Students who perform particularly well at our track and field days will be invited to represent CCS at Master Field Day (MFD). MFD is set for Friday, May 31, and will take place at the Mohawk Sports Park, located at 1100 Mohawk Road E. Once the team has been selected, you will receive more information.
- A few changes regarding Master Field Day (MFD) are in the works. First, high jump has been eliminated as an event because of safety factors and it has been replaced by ball throw for all age groups. This change also will be reflected in our

Job Opening (part time) - School Counsellor
The board of directors has recently approved the hiring of a school counsellor. This is a new position, created to provide support for students struggling with mental health concerns. Qualified individuals should send a cover letter, a resume, a statement of faith and a list of references to aboonstra@ccshamilton.ca. Deadline for application submissions is May 27. For more information, please contact the school office.

Job Openings - Paraeducators
CCS also has openings for Educational Assistants and Teacher Assistants. Qualified individuals should send a cover letter, a resume, a statement of faith and a list of references to aboonstra@ccshamilton.ca. Deadline for applications is June 7. For more information, please contact the school office.

UPCOMING AT CCS!

Victoria Day (No School)	Monday, May 20
CCS Field Day	Wednesday, May 22
Golf Committee	Wednesday, May 22
CCS Track Day	Friday, May 24
CCS Walkathon (McQuesten Park)	Saturday, May 25
JKB/SKB Field Day	Tuesday, May 28
JKA/SKA Field Day	Wednesday, May 29
Membership Meeting 7:30 registration	Wednesday, May 29
Master Field Day	Friday, May 31
Regular School only for JK Friday to Gr. 4)	
CCS Golf Tournament	Saturday, June 1
New Student Orientation Day	Monday, June 3
PA Day (No School)	Friday, June 7
Gr. 8 Ottawa Trip	June 12, 13, and 14
Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony	Tuesday, June 18
Last Day of School (½ day)	Friday, June 21

own Field Day/Track Day practices. Secondly, in the past, even though only a few grade 4 students qualified for MFD, we gave all other grade 4 students the day off. We are going to change that practice. We will expect grade 4 student who do not qualify for MFD to be at school. **There will be classes for JK-4 and no classes for grade 5-8.**

Junior Kindergarten: Special thanks to Mr. Vanderleeuw and Mr. Patterson for joining us in the forest this week. We had a wonderful trip both days with beautiful spring weather. We enjoyed spending time searching for forest treasures that start with the letters of the alphabet. JH

Kindergarten: Thanks to Mrs. Hoogland, Mrs. Noorduyn, Mrs. Peereboom and Mrs. Zimmer who joined us in the forest! We saw so many interesting things....a salamander, a trio of deer, white trilliums, forget-me-nots, water striders, dandelions...our Creator is so amazing! Just a reminder that it is also the season of ticks...do a tick check after heading outside this weekend! Enjoy the sunshine and the long weekend with your family. W²

7A History Class Trip - On Thursday, May 30th, we plan to visit Westfield Heritage Village to take part in their educational program; When Two Paths Meet: Indigenous and Settler Relations in Early Ontario. We are still looking for two or three parent volunteers to come with us. We would leave school at 12:00 pm, and return by 2:30 pm. Please email me at cmantel@ccshamilton.ca if you are able to join us. CM

Senior Girls' Baseball: Due to tryout cancellations this past week, we will have a final tryout on Thursday, May, 23 from 3:30-4:30 pm. Be sure to come out with your own baseball glove, your gym clothing and proper footwear! Other practice information and the June 5th NDCS Girls' Tournament schedule can be found on the school website under the tabs - school life/sports at CCS/baseball. JB

PE Department - Do you have old baseball gloves lying around your garage looking for a new home? If your glove is still in good working condition and suitable for a student in grade 3-8 CCS would love to give it more attention. Please just send it in with your son or daughter and it can be given to Ms. Dean at school. Thank you!

Senior Choir: We had a great day at the Canada's Wonderland Festival of Music. The students sang very well and received positive feedback and encouragement from the adjudicator. He was impressed with their ability to sing the challenging music with good expression and accuracy. Thank you to Mrs. Joyce Lee for accompanying the choir with such expertise! Thank you also to Mrs. Bakker, Mrs. Zantingh, and Mr. Whetstone for accompanying us for the day. After the festival participation, the students were able to enjoy the park and had a fabulous time together. DVE

May 27 - 31 is **Bike to School Week** across Hamilton and the GTA. Once again, CCS is participating to show our community that we are a school that values physical fitness and environmental awareness.

We are encouraging as many students and staff members as possible to bike, walk or roll to school as many days as possible for that week. We will be keeping a school-wide tally to see how many people have participated.

While some of you just live too far away, we would love to see high levels of participation from those who live close enough. Some suggestions:

Take time over the coming week to plan out and practice a safe

route. Find a group of people who live near you and organize a biking or walking group. Remind your children of biking and walking safety rules. This link (https://hamiltonpolice.on.ca/sites/default/files/ontarios_safe_cycling_guide.pdf) provides great cycling safety information. Let's get moving!

For All God's Children 25th Anniversary Golf Tournament:

The excitement is building! We are just two short weeks away from our CCS annual Golf Tournament. There are still a few spots left for golf and dinner so please get in your registration. This year's sponsorships and donations will once again support Calvin's Special Education Programs and specifically the inclusive playground project. This year we will be hosting a silent auction on-line with registration beginning on Tuesday, May 21st, allowing you the ability to preview all of the great items. Bidding will begin on Monday, May 27th and will close on Saturday, June 1st. This is a convenient and exciting way for all of us to join in and be a part of this great event to support Special Education at CCS! To register go to www.charityauction.bid/ccsgolf

Join us for the **CCS walkathon/bikeathon**, Saturday May 25, 9-12 at T.B. McQuesten Park. New this year - a bike drive and bike courses by New Hope Bikes. Gather sponsors, bring your old bikes to donate and come have some fun! www.ccs-hamilton.ca/walk-a-thonbike-a-thon.php

The **Fundraising Committee** is looking for new members! Join in the fun as we raise money to help support Calvin Christian School. Email fundraising@ccshamilton.ca for more information."

Summer Speech and Language Therapy- Do you have a child or teen who has speech and language needs? I will be offering weekly speech and language therapy sessions for children and teens this summer, free of charge to our Christian community. To schedule a screening (no charge), please contact Melanie Burnip at 905-518-8514 or melanieburnip@gmail.com

Prayer for the Week

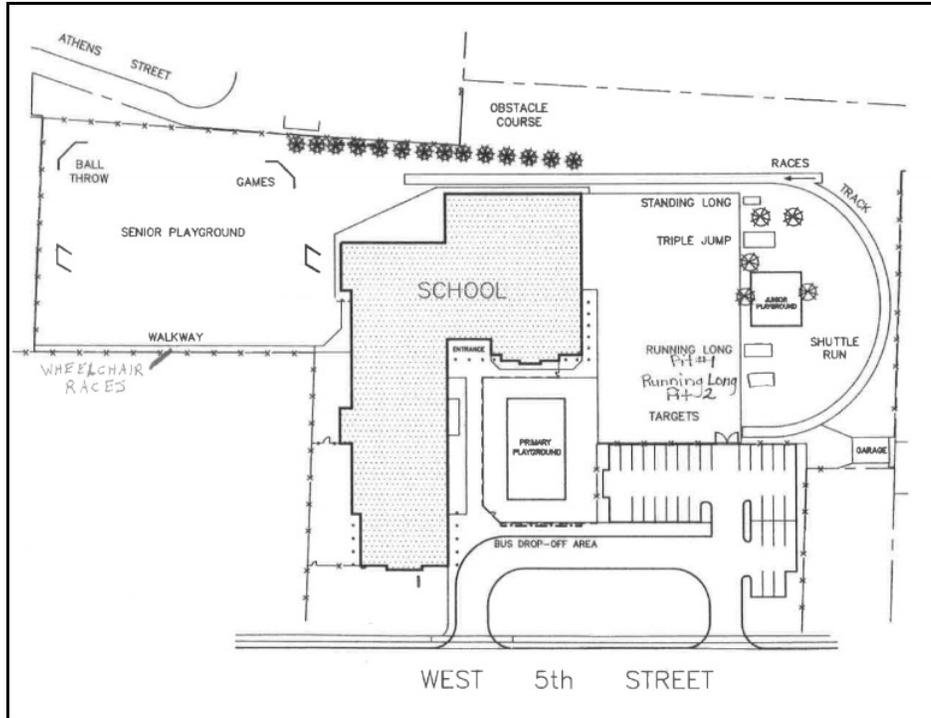
Dear God,

We praise you for another week of Christian education at Calvin Christian School. We recognize this is a gift from you. We are aware of countries around the world where this is not possible. So, we ask that you strengthen our brothers and sisters around the globe who must worship you in secret because of persecution. We pray that we would never take this gift of worshiping you and educating our children in the truth of your Word for granted. We pray an ongoing blessing on the Board and leadership of Calvin. Give them great wisdom as they lead and prepare for the future. We also ask for your blessing on this upcoming long weekend. Thanks for this opportunity to rest, spend time with family and loved ones, and hopefully spend lots of time outside.

In Jesus name, Amen

Field Day

- What a fabulous CCS community we have! Many of the volunteer positions have been filled for Field Day on Wednesday, May 22. There are many parent volunteers who will ensure your child is well fed at the Food Stand, parent volunteers helping out at various events, and also parents who are helping to supervise the primary playground. We only need 8 more afternoon volunteers to make sure the day runs smoothly (12:00 - 3:00 pm). Please contact Mrs. Winnie Wiebenga @ wwiebenga@ccshamilton.ca asap if you are able to help out for a few hours at an afternoon event. Volunteers, look for an email from Mrs. Wiebenga on Tuesday to let you know of your assignments. There will also be a table set up just outside the main office on Field Day to remind you of your assignment and where the assignment is located on the school grounds. Don't forget to send along a hat, sunscreen and a water bottle with your child(ren) on Field Day. We look forward to a great day of cheering, running, jumping, pulling, and working together as a team to be our very best! See you there!



SCHEDULE OF FIELD DAY EVENTS

Start Time	Running Long	Targets	Sack Races	Ball Throw	Dashes	Triple Jump	Obstacle Course	Standing Long	Games	Shuttle Relay
8:50	DEVOTIONS									
9:15	1-11	2-12	3-13	4-14	5-15	6-16	7-17	8-18	9-19	10-20
9:45	2-13	3-14	4-15	5-16	6-17	7-18	8-19	9-20	10-12	1-11
10:15	3-15	4-16	5-17	6-18	7-19	8-20	9-12	10-11	1-14	2-13
10:45	4-17	5-18	6-19	7-20	8-12	9-11	10-14	1-13	2-16	3-15
11:15	5-19	6-20	7-12	8-11	9-14	10-13	1-16	2-15	3-18	4-17
11:45	Lunch	7-11	Lunch	9-13	Lunch	1-15	Lunch	3-17	Lunch	5-19
12:15	6-12	Lunch	8-14	Lunch	10-16	Lunch	2-18	Lunch	4-20	Lunch
12:45	7-14	8-13	9-16	10-15	1-18	2-17	3-20	4-19	5-11	6-12
1:15	8-16	9-15	10-18	1-17	2-20	3-19	4-11	5-12	6-13	7-14
1:45	9-18	10-17	1-20	2-19	3-11	4-12	5-13	6-14	7-15	8-16
2:15	10-20	1-19	2-11	3-12	4-13	5-14	6-15	7-16	8-17	9-18
2:45	CLOSING									