



Calvin Christian School Courier

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From the Desk of Mr. Boonstra:

- With the annual CCS Bazaar right around the corner, I thought I would take a moment to plug the work of the Bazaar Committee. The committee does an incredible amount of work preparing for this wonderful community event. Funds raised by the Bazaar go towards keeping tuition costs lower as well. Please consider how you can support this year's Bazaar by signing up to volunteer in a room or by simply taking your loved ones to the Bazaar on November 16 - you won't be disappointed! See the following link for more information - <https://ccshamilton.ca/annual-bazaar-p195.php>.
- Last week the teachers of CCS enjoyed the annual Edvance Teachers Gathering. The theme of the conference was "The Imperative of Love" and a couple of key quotes stood out for me - "happiness is not found within us, it is found between us" and "learning is mutual and deeply social." As a staff we'll be unpacking some of the themes at our next staff meeting. Feel free to ask any of us about our conversations.
- I'm excited to share that our teachers have been looking for some innovative music enrichment opportunities for our students. You may be familiar with the Boris Brott music series that students have been attending for many years, but more recently our students are exploring the music of Indigenous people, as well as the music of Jim Arnold, who will be sharing his unique look at music around the world. Most of these events are taking place over the next couple of weeks.
- Progress Reports go home next Friday (Nov. 8). The reports serve as an update on the progress your child has made so far in semester one. They also serve as the basis for Parent/Teacher conferences the following week (Nov. 12, 14, and 15). The conferences on the 12th and 14th take place in the evening and on the 15th they run in the morning. You can register online at www.schoolinterviews.ca. **Registration opens on Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 9:00 a.m. and our school event code is zyarm.**
- You may have noticed that we recently sent out a video from the Christian School Foundation (CSF). CCS has a formal relationship with CSF as this foundation works on our behalf to raise money for various bursaries - bursaries that support CCS families. We hope to share the remaining 3 videos with you over the course of the next week. We ask that you consider viewing the message from CSF and forward it to whomever you think may be interested.
- If you haven't had the chance to see the paraeducator ad that we have been placing in the courier for the past few weeks, I'd like to draw your attention to it. If you or someone you know might be interested in this role, please do not hesitate to contact me.

UPCOMING AT CCS

Meet us Mondays	Monday, November 4
Transportation Committee	Monday, November 4
CCS Spelling Bee	Tuesday, November 5
BOD Meeting	Tuesday, November 5
Photo Retakes	Wednesday, November 6
Progress Reports Issued	Friday, November 8
Remembrance Day Assembly 9:15 am	Monday, November 11
Parent / Teacher Conferences	Tuesday, Nov. 12 and Thursday, Nov. 14 (evenings only) Friday, Nov. 15 (morning only)
CCS Bazaar! 9:30 to 1:30	Saturday, November 16
<i>Have you signed up for your volunteer shift yet?</i>	

Employment Opportunity: CCS will require a Paraeducator beginning in February. If interested, please submit a resume, a statement of faith, and a list of references to

aboonstra@ccshamilton.ca. Please be advised that while we appreciate the interest shown by each applicant, we will

respond only to those selected for an interview.

Grade 3: This past Wednesday, students from gr 3A & 3B ventured to the forest to enjoy an afternoon of exploring and adventuring in nature. During our hike, students collected many colourful leaves, cones, plants, and other creative ideas, which were used to create beautiful nature mandalas. The end results were

wonderful! Many thanks to our parents who braved the rainy, cold weather, and agreed to join us: Mrs. Fluit, Mrs. Hoogland, Mrs. van der Woerd and Mr. Whitehead from 3A and Mrs. deVries, Mrs. Postma, Mrs. Toman, and Mrs. Zimmer from 3B. We couldn't have done this outing without you. Many thanks to our wonderful bus

driver, Mr. Van Arragon, who got us there and back safely, and to our paraeducators, who always give 100%. Despite the wet conditions, it was a wonderful afternoon. It was interesting to see the changes in the forest compared to a month ago, showing us God's faithfulness in His order and design. We look forward to what our next walk will bring us. If you'd like to join us, be sure to let us know :) RVV & ME

REMINDER! There is still time to order your child's school pictures. Order today at mylifetouch.ca.
DO YOU WANT RETAKES DONE OF YOUR CHILD? Retakes will be on Wednesday, November 6. The photographer is asking that you send the original pictures with your child. It would also be a great idea to send a note, or an email to your child's teacher to inform them to include your child in the retake schedule.

Have you tried LUNCHBOX yet?

This online lunch ordering program is convenient, provides healthy meals, and also is a fundraising opportunity for our school! Click www.lunchboxorders.com to order your child's lunches up until Christmas. If you prefer to do it week by week,

you must order by Sunday afternoon. You can also conveniently cancel your order 2 days before the actual lunch day. Here is a list for the next 2 months:

Wed. Nov. 6 - Toppers Pizza

Wed. Nov. 13 - Quesada

Wed. Nov. 20 Toppers Pizza

Wed. Nov. 27 - Burgers

Thurs. Dec. 5 - Toppers Pizza

Thurs. Dec. 12 - Lunch Lady

Thurs. Dec. 19 - Toppers Pizza

Milk will continue to be available every Wednesday and Thursday.

CCS Community. *Thank you so much for your words of encouragement, and many acts of kindness and generosity as we celebrate the birth of our adopted son, Armani. We are feeling very blessed.*

Thank you also to parents and students for the surprise baby shower on Monday for little Armani. It was so much fun. Thank you for organizing this Mrs. Harsevoort and Mrs. Postma. Tony and Talin Boer

Calvin Christian School Bazaar!

Congratulations to Andrea Colyn on winning the **Bazaar Early Sign-Up Draw** for a \$50 Voucher toward the Bazaar!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR GREAT VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU!

CCS community - the Bazaar is two weeks away! Please sign up at www.ccs.hamilton.ca/bazaar and help make this event a success.

The Toy Room is in need of your donations!

We need toys! We are looking for gently used toys to sell at the CCS Bazaar. There are boxes in each class or you can bring them to the office.

The Bottle Room is BACK!

The Bottle Room is a highlight for many who visit the Bazaar. Will it be a sweet treat, or sweet relish? Will you walk away with a bottle of Iced Tea, or Shampoo? It's a surprise every time! We are beginning to collect bottles beginning Oct 21. Please send in one (or more) of the appropriate bottles, depending on your child's grade level. As always, additional prize bottles always welcome!

Grade 1: Lotions, hair sprays

Grade 2: Sandwich spreads

Grade 3: Shampoo, bubble bath etc.

Grade 4: Pop or large juice bottles

Grade 5: Ketchup, relish etc.

Grade 6: Simple craft supplies

Grade 7: Bottles filled with candy

Grade 8: Bottles filled with small toys

CROQUETTES!! Again this year we have chicken and beef choices! 36 pieces uncooked/pre-cooked \$50, 72 pieces for \$85 un-cooked and \$90 for pre-cooked (beef only for uncooked). To place an order visit the Calvin Christian School website www.ccs.hamilton.ca/bazaar with various payment options available, or call Lisa at **289-439-3162**. Pick up at the Bazaar, Saturday November 16, 2019 from 9:30a.m.-1:30p.m.! Deadline is November 11 so don't miss out!

Calvin Christian School Bazaar



Baked Goods
Bottle Room
Cake Walk
Candy Room
Christmas Room
Delicious Lunch
Dutch Room
Dutch Café
Tim Hortons

Planting Room
Glow in the Dark Room
Home and Style Room
Kids Games
Toy Room
Korean Cuisine
Soup Room
Veggie Room
New! Kids Only Christmas Market



Lunch is available in the Gym or our Dutch Café
from 11:00-1:30
Silent Auction from 9:30-1:00