Calvin Christian School Courier

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From the Desk of Mr. Boonstra:

- This morning we were blessed to be led in worship at our January assembly by our Grade 1A and 6A classes. The focus was on our school theme for the year - “Proof of Your Love”. Thank you students and teachers for sharing the message of love with us today.

- With the end of the first semester this past week, we are pleased to provide an update on the progress of your child. The CCS report cards provide that update and they were sent home today with your child. Although no formal parent/teacher conferences are scheduled at this time, you are encouraged to contact your child’s teacher should you have questions about the report card. The next official P/T conferences are set for April 14 and 15.

- It’s been a pretty good week for the ice rink, with students enjoying the opportunity to use it most of the week. Just a reminder to ensure that your child covers the skate blades with guards or a cloth bag when transporting them.

- Our Grade 6 students are excited about the upcoming class trip to Fair Glen next week. We wish them and their chaperones a safe and enjoyable time.

Unity Campus

- Last night we were thrilled to welcome over 150 people to our Unity Campus Information Evening. We had a wonderful time of celebration as we explored what the Unity Campus might look like in September 2020. Interested families asked many good questions and we had the opportunity to tour the school. We are excited to grow Christian education in the greater Hamilton area. We ask that you join us in the journey by praying that God provides the resources to make the Unity Campus a reality. A special thank you to the Unity Campus Committee who helped organize the evening. Please direct any questions you might still have to unitycampus@ccshamilton.ca.

- With the addition of the second campus, we also anticipate staffing needs. Right now the CCS board of directors is inviting individuals to submit applications for the teaching and administrative roles. You can find the details by going to our website - **ccshamilton.ca/unityroadcampus**. Other staffing needs will be posted soon.

UPCOMING AT CCS

First Semester Report Cards Issued	Friday, January 31
Re-Registration Forms due to the school	Friday, January 31
“Meet us Mondays” 1:30 to 3:00 pm	Monday, February 3
Fair Glen (Grade 6)	February 5, 6, and 7
BOD Meeting	Tuesday, February 11
EDCOM Meeting	Tuesday, February 11
PD Day - No School	Friday, February 14
Ski Trip for Grades 7 and 8	Friday, February 14
Family Day - No School	Monday, February 17
Night time Bazaar Auction and Soup Fest!	Saturday, February 22

- Registration documents for the upcoming school year (2020/21) for JK-Gr. 8 were sent home a couple of weeks ago. The documents include a Unity Campus option as well. Please note that we have made a minor adjustment to our Kindergarten program. Our plan is to offer a half time JK program that matches our SK program. Please return the forms asap to help us plan for the upcoming school year.

- We wish Mrs. Reid God’s blessings as she will be taking a leave of absence, beginning next week. Mrs. Reid will be having knee surgery and will need 8-12 weeks of recuperation and rehab. Mr. Schaeffer, a supply teacher here at CCS, will take over her class in the interim.

Grade 2A+B had a great time learning about airplanes and flight at the Warplane Museum yesterday. The students were able to make and test 2 of their own flying creations and even sit in a Buffalo! It was impressive to see the Lancaster up close. That is a big plane! Thank you to all our volunteers who helped out and made the trip possible: Mr. Nyman, Mr.Schilstra, Mrs. Douwes, Mrs. Veldpaus, Mrs. vanderMeer, and Mrs. Reckman. JVW/MDV

Grade 3 had a fantastic trip to the forest this past week. The students worked very cooperatively to imagine what pioneers would have experienced when building a lean-to for shelter. Students and parents together gathered wood, carried cedar boughs and designed a structure just like a pioneer may have created in the thick forests of the early 1800's. Then, we all enjoyed a cup full of hot chocolate in our lean-to. A big thank you to the following parents for helping us out: Mrs. Boekee, Mr. Eggink, Mrs. Ledin, Mrs. Postma, Mrs. Taekema, Mr. Whitehead, and Mr. Zimmer. Thank you to Mr. Van Arragon for driving us safely back and forth from our destination. Ms. Van Voorst would also like to say a special thank you to Mrs. Eising for bringing all the fresh cedar boughs to add to our structures. We had a lovely afternoon!
RVV/ME

Blazer Hockey: The CCS hockey team has been selected and we have a very busy week coming up. On Monday, the team plays Providence Christian School at the Dave Andreychuk Arena. The game begins at 3:00 p.m. (if you are helping transport players to the rink, please be at CCS at 2:30). On Thursday we have the district tournament and it is being held at the Gateway Ice Center in Stoney Creek. The first game begins at 8:00 a.m. Students who need a ride to the arena must meet at CCS at 7:00 a.m. From there students will be carpooled to the rink. For more details on the tournament, please see the letter that was sent home today.

Re-Registration forms were due in the office today! Please send your forms in on Monday if you haven't handed your family's forms in yet. We would be happy to reprint your form if needed.
TUITION DEPOSIT: To make your $500 deposit, you may stop by the office to make a cash or debit payment; or send in to the office a cheque; or send an e-Transfer to payment@ccshamilton.ca (no password is needed for this email).Remember the deadline is March 1st.

TRIP: Working on that winter renovation project? Lowe's is on promotion (4% earnings) for the month of February! Check out the savings on Fundscrip this weekend.
Buy Gift Cards - Save on Tuition.

SAVE THE DATE!

The annual For all God's Children Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, May 30, 2020, at *Willow Valley Golf Course* in Hamilton. Proceeds provide much needed assistance for the Special Education Department at CCS, including both the Calvin and Unity Rd. campuses. To register or make donations, visit www.ccshamilton.ca/golf

We are SOUPER excited about our SOUPFEST AND AUCTIONS happening on Saturday, February 22!
We are looking for the following to help make this event a success:

- **Some SOUP makers! Do you have a fab soup recipe that will win the most votes as the tastiest soup? Prizes will be awarded!**
- **Some SOUP tasters! Here is the link to buy your tickets: www.ccshamilton.ca/soupfest**
- **Donated items to be auctioned for both our LIVE and SILENT auctions**

Hope to see you there!