



Calvin Christian School Courier

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From the desk of Mr Boonstra

- From the entire CCS staff, we wish you and your family God's blessing in the New Year. We hope that you enjoyed your time with family and friends over the Christmas holidays and that your children have settled back into the school routine.
- As many of you know, CCS has been blessed with wonderful support and fantastic enrolment. We are actually at the point of making tough decisions regarding enrolment and waiting lists. To that end, you should know that a re-registration form will be coming your way, via mail, sometime within the next week or two. You are encouraged to register your child(ren) and pay the deposit as soon as possible to guarantee enrolment for the upcoming school year, 2018/19. Thank you for your attention to this matter.
- From time to time, important information is sent to the school. You may be interested in the following link that has been sent from the government of Ontario and regards the Children and Youth Parmacare program: http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/ohiplus/docs/ohip_keyfacts.pdf
- Please also be advised that we like to provide reminders for parents to be diligent in checking your children for pinworms and/or lice. The parent handbook has more information on these infections as does our website (found under secure forms).
- If you have not yet returned your SK and Come-Along K application forms to the CCS office, please take some time to do so next week. New families would need to go through the admissions process. Jubilee School registration forms should also be returned to the school asap (no admissions process necessary). Classes are filling up quickly.
- We are grateful that we could get some use out of the ice rink and hopefully it will be good to go again next week. Just a reminder that if you need skates the school has plenty that can be borrowed. Your child can even keep them for the season. Helmets can also be borrowed, but we ask that they be returned after use. Ideally using your own helmets is preferred.
- Booking the school's ice rink is possible, but you must contact the office to fill out a rink booking form. The form is also located on our website (found under the School Life tab).
- 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. Please keep in mind that although snow days can be a major inconvenience for you, our priority is the safety and well being of our students. Thank you for your understanding.

Upcoming at CCS

Special Lunch Day	Tuesday, Jan. 16
Finance Committee Meeting	Tuesday, Jan. 16
Fundraising Committee Meeting	Monday, Jan. 22
Public Relations Committee Meeting	Monday, Jan. 22
Little Caesar's Pizza Orders Due	Wednesday, Jan. 24
P.A. Day (Evaluations) No School	Friday, Jan. 26
Second Semester Begins	Monday, Jan. 29
Pita Pit Lunch	Tuesday, Jan. 30
First Semester Report Cards Issued	Friday, Feb. 2
Hockey Tournament	Thursday, Feb. 8
Fair Glen (Grade 6)	Feb. 7, 8, and 9
P.A. Day - No School	Friday, Feb. 16
Optional ski trip for Gr. 7 and 8	Friday, Feb. 16
Family Day - No School	Monday, Feb. 19

Kindergarten: As of today, we have no volunteers for our trip to the forest on Monday and Tuesday. Please be in touch with Mrs. Wiebenga asap if you can join us for a few

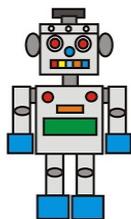
hours in the morning. If it is easier to meet us at the forest instead of taking the bus, that would also be wonderful! W²

Students in **Grade 8** had the opportunity to participate in a financial literacy program called Making Life Decision offered through the Hamilton Spectator and submit a financial tip to The Spec.contest. The prize was a \$150 donation to a charity of their choice. Congratulations to Ally D. and Sember V. whose financial tip was chosen for first place! Their chosen charity is McMaster Children's Hospital. CM



The annual grade 7&8 ski trip to Snow Valley is scheduled for Friday, February 16th. Forms with all the necessary information were available for students at school today to begin signing up and are also available on the website and with today's courier. Any questions, please direct them to Mrs. Mantel. CM

Robotics: Our first robotics session ended this week. Students designed, programmed, and competed with some fantastic robots! Our next session will be starting on February 7 and will be every Wednesday after school for 12 weeks. This is open to any students from Grade 1 - 8 and will be the final session for the school year. Registration is first come - first serve, so register early! Any questions can be sent to nwensink@ccshamilton.ca and completed registration forms can be submitted to the office. NW



Once Upon A Mattress Spring Musical rehearsals are in full swing. Actors and actresses should check the school website for the most up to date rehearsal schedule. -Spring Musical Committee

Blazer Hockey: The first tryouts for the school hockey team are set for this Monday. The practice is at the Mountain Arena (Dave Andreychuk) at 3:00 p.m. Players will be dismissed from class at 2:25 and will need to be driven to the arena from CCS. Please make arrangements to pick up your son at the arena after the practice (4:00). The rest of the hockey team information was sent home in a letter and can also be found on our website.



Free Workshops and Courses - This week all CCS families will receive Growing Together, a community education guide provided by the McMaster Children's Hospital. The guide lists courses, groups and workshops that are designed to help parents, caregivers and children develop new skills to face family challenges. A variety of agencies offer teaching and support for coping with developmental, behavioural, social, emotional, or health difficulties. The services are available in Hamilton from January to August, 2018 and most services are free of charge. Please take time to browse the educational resource or to pass it on to another family that may benefit from the services.

TRIP: If your New Year's resolution was to save money, then see how TRIP can work for you. Check out Fundscrip this weekend and start saving money towards

tuition costs! Fundscrip is offering the following promotions for January: Chapters/Indigo/Coles - 7.5%, Shell - 3% and Starbucks - 6% earnings.

If you have any questions regarding how TRIP works, please contact Lianna Reitsma at lireitsma@ccshamilton.ca

Thank you for supporting the TRIP program.

Prayer for the week

Father,

We're thankful that you are in control of everything. You show your power in the weather! It is amazing how quickly things can change from being mild and rainy to being cold and sunny. Even though you are powerful you care for each and every one of us. You know every single student and teacher by name - you are a good and loving Father. Thanks for a Christmas break - thanks for rest and relaxation. Thanks for times to reflect on the humble and unique birth of Jesus. We look forward to you coming again. We give you thanks for 2018 and ask for your blessing on Calvin Christian School again this year.

In the name of Jesus, Amen

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL FAMILY DAY FUNDRAISER WITH LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA KITS!

Little Caesars Pizza Kits will be delivered in time to enjoy on Family Day!



Back by popular demand is Little Caesar Pizza Kits. As you know this fundraiser offers a quality meal at a great value! They're fun to make and delicious to eat! Every family member can make their own masterpiece with their own favourite toppings, what a great idea for Family Day! Also, have them on hand for practice nights, birthday parties and entertaining guests! They're fun to make and delicious to eat!

How: Collect payment at the time you take orders. Cheques need to be made payable to Calvin Christian School. Please fill out the top portion of your order form with your name and your contact phone number.

When:	<u>Tuesday January 9, 2018</u>	Sale start date.
	<u>Wednesday January 24, 2018</u>	Order form and payment due. Be sure your order form is correctly tallied! Double check all rows and columns. Late orders will NOT be accepted.
	<u>Friday February 9, 2018</u>	Delivery pickup, 3:00pm - 5:30pm

Where: Pickup will be here at school. Pick up your pizza kits as soon as possible. We will not be responsible for any kits remaining after 5:30pm, as we do not have storage space for them. Please make arrangements with me if you feel you will be later than 5:30pm. Remember, if the products thaw they can be refrozen once.

Order Your Pizza Kits On Line: Go to www.pizzakit.ca (Make sure you are on the Canadian website.) Click on products and then shop. Support our fundraiser by providing our Fundraiser ID# 339604 and pay with credit card. Your pizza kits will be delivered the same day as our order!

Questions: Please feel free to call the school with any questions.

As always, thank you for your support and participation!