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From the desk of Mr Postma

● We express a big thanks to the Fundraising Committee for organizing and managing the walk-a-thon/bike-a-thon last Saturday. I understand at least \$5,000 was raised. The day was perfect with wonderful weather, a nice trail and beautiful scenery. The funds will go to the revenue portion of the budget.

● Master Field Day is scheduled for Friday. Selected students from grades 4-8 will be participating and there will be no school for grades 4-8 students; they are encouraged to come out and cheer their fellow students on. There will still be school for grades K-3 students and Jubilee School. We wish our participants much success and enjoyment; schedule is attached. Please be aware that if the weather causes us to cancel Master Field Day, there will be school for **all** our students (including grs. 4-8). We will advise you if Master Field Day is cancelled by means of an e-blast and on the school's web site. There is no rain date. Bus riders should keep in mind that there typically are less students riding the bus on Master Field Day, which means riders will most likely be picked up earlier and dropped off earlier.

● The CCS Golf Tournament is coming up this Saturday, June 3. This tournament serves to help support our special education - special needs program. These children are God's children and CCS certainly does all it can to provide for their needs as well. Your support is welcomed and important.

● We commend Mrs. Wiebenga and Mrs. Hagen, along with their assistants and volunteers for putting on excellent field day programs this past Tuesday and Wednesday for the JK and SK students. The students had lots of fun. There was a variety of neat activities made available for the students. And guess what, I finally got a first place ribbon for being with the winning tug of war team!

● We had a wonderful Ascension/Pentecost Assembly hosted by the grades 3A and 8A students. The message of Jesus departing to be with us in Spirit came through beautifully. We also learned more about Ryan's Rays and the efforts to help a school in Ethiopia. Ryan passed away a little over a year ago; he was Devon Martz's brother. Many of our students wore yellow – Ryan's favourite colour.

● We have a very special assembly coming up on June 8 at about 1:30. We plan to honour all those staff members who are departing CCS for reason of retirement or alternate employment or staying at home to raise young children. **You are invited to join us.**

● As we enter the month of June, a lot of class trips will take place, the Lord willing. We pray that our students may have a fun time but also a safe time.

Calvin Christian School may have an interim part time assistant custodian position available for the summer. The position will involve day time hours. You must be in grade 12 or older to apply. Please send your resume to tpostma@ccshamilton.ca by June 21.

Upcoming at CCS

Master Field Day (Regular school for JK, to Gr. 3 only!)	Friday, June 2
CCS Golf Tournament	Saturday, June 3
Food Trucks at CCS 5:00 to 7:00 pm	Monday, June 5
BOD Retreat	Tuesday, June 6
Patrollers, etc., to Adventure Village	Tuesday, June 6
LAST SPECIAL LUNCH DAY	Wednesday, June 7
Senior Baseball Tournament	Wednesday, June 7
Retiree Celebration Assembly 1:30 pm	Thursday, June 8
Last Gouda Cheese Order Due	Friday, June 9
2017/2018 Tuition Forms Due	Friday, June 9
Mr. Postma's Retirement Celebration	
OPEN HOUSE - 12:00 to 3:00 pm	Saturday, June 10
Grade 8 Ottawa Trip	June 14, 15, and 16
Graduation at Redeemer 7:30 pm	Tuesday, June 20
Last Day of School (dismissal at 12:30)	Friday, June 23

● On Wednesday we plan to send a large contingent of students to Adventure Village. This is our way of saying THANKS to them for the specific duties they performed on a volunteer basis. We recognize the worth and work of patrollers, cheese committee, student council, etc.

● The time is rapidly approaching when we establish class lists for the new school year. The faculty is listed below. In past Couriers, I have informed you about the changes in staffing at CCS. The list below reflects those changes. In keeping with our usual procedures, I ask that you consider the following: Please refrain from contacting the staff with placement requests as various requests can handicap our efforts to properly consider an acceptable balance involving classroom dynamics, student/teacher match, learning needs and peer relationships. That said, parents with children in a special education program may contact the special education staff. For everyone else, if there is something that you feel very strongly about and it must be brought to my attention regarding your child's classroom placement, I respectfully ask that you call me or make an appointment to see me by June 16 at the latest. I will not accept emails, letters or slips of paper. Your concerns or wishes should be important enough to necessitate a dialogue with me. Here is what we are planning regarding the faculty, the Lord willing:

Jubilee School - Mrs. Hagen

Come - Along K - Mrs. Hagen, Mrs. Ouwehand,
Mrs. VanEek

KA & KB - Mrs. Wiebenga

1A - Ms. Deweerd

1B - Mrs. Heeg

2A - Ms. Buys

2B - Mrs. VanderWindt

3A - Mrs. VanVoorst

3B - Mrs. Breimer & Mrs. Eising

4A - Ms. DeJong

4B - Mr. Boer

5A - Mr. Veldhuis

5B - Mrs. Reid

6A - Ms. van der Woerd

6B - Mr. Hosmar

7A - Mr. Wensink

7B - Mrs. Mantel

8A - Mr. de Schiffert

8B - Mrs. Wikkerink

● The grade 8 Graduation Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20 @ 7:30 pm (new time!) At Redeemer University College. You are invited to join us.

Kindergarten: A HUGE thanks to all the parents, grandparents, siblings, and other family and friends who came and made our Jubilee/Kindergarten Field Day such a success. There was much cheering, running, and jumping!



Mr. Postma was especially happy because after many years of being on the parents' team for the infamous Tug of War, he switched allegiances and joined the Kindergarten and Jubilee side. One Kindergarten student reminded me that Mr. Postma needed a first place ribbon because he, too, won the tug of war. :) Since it is June, the Kindergarten children are now also allowed in the Big Kids' area for recess - they are pretty excited! They may also walk around the school in the morning by themselves to the playground if they wish, and they will walk at the end of the day with the Big Kids to the parking lot as well. They are getting ready for Grade 1!

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Grade 1A: We were blessed with a fabulous day on Monday when we went to Safari Niagara. What did we learn? Giraffes have blue tongues, some birds can say hello and bye bye, monkeys would win a prize for monkey bar swinging, you don't get rid of skunk smells by bathing in tomato juice, flamingos sleep while they balance on one leg, kangaroos are marsupials...and lots more. We learned that God created an

amazing variety of animal life. It was fun to learn outside of our classroom. We'd like to thank the moms who joined us: Mrs. Kim, Mrs. Demik, Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Van Houten, and Mrs. Speelman. We appreciate your gift of time.

WW/DH

Grade 1B: This week we had the opportunity to visit Safari Niagara to see a variety of amazing and beautiful animals. Thank you to Mrs. Dorricott, Mrs. Blokker, Mrs. DeBoer, and Mrs. Elliott for helping to chaperone the trip and to Mrs. Beldman for driving the bus.

DH

Field Day Records: Three students deserve congratulations for breaking records on Field Day. Jordyn V. (9/10 girls) scored 1.97 m. in standing long jump. She also tied the triple jump record with a score of 7.47 m. Caleb O. (11/12 boys) set a new record of 28.73 seconds in the 200 m. dash. And, Nathan B. (7 boys) broke the standing long jump record with a jump of 1.77 m. Well done!

WW



From Mrs. VanVoorst: Thank you to everyone who has brought in recyclables for our Canada Studies unit next week. We are set for building some creative things with the wonderful variety of items that have come in.

Grade 7 will have the opportunity to spend a day at Circle Square Ranch in Brantford, on Monday, June 12th for our year end class trip. We will be leaving the school at 9:00 am, and returning by 3:00 pm. If students have not sent in their payment of \$14 (due May 31st) they are encouraged to do so immediately. If you would like to be a parent chaperone for the day, please email Mrs. Mantel ASAP. We have room for two parents.

Grade 7 Parents: It has become a tradition here at CCS for the grade 7 parents and students to help with the grade 8 graduation dinner on June 20. If you are able to help, please email Mrs. Gallea at mgallea@ccshamilton.ca.

Sr. Boys Baseball: Our tournament is slated for Wednesday, June 7th (June 8 rain date) at Henning Park on Green's Road in Caledonia. The boys are asked to be at the park by 8:30 and must make their own arrangements to get there. Please let me know via your child, a phone call, or an email how your child is getting to the park. A packet of information was sent home last week and can also be found on the CCS website under the sports link for baseball. Our final practice is Tuesday after school from 3:30 - 4:45. Mr Boer

Girls' Baseball: Only one more practice on Monday afternoon until the tournament in Jordan Station on Wednesday. Please be sure to be at the practice! We will also confirm rides, etc. on Monday. Be in touch with Mrs. Winnie Wiebenga if you have any questions.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Ascension - Pentecost Day assembly this past Monday. A special thank you goes out to our second language speakers: Winnie, Bethany, Marco, Oyin, Ezra and Naomi. We really enjoyed hearing the beauty and gift God has given in other languages. We also thank Eugene Versteeg for sharing the work of Christian Horizons and explaining their involvement with Ryan's Rays. A special thank you goes out to Devon and his parents, Cliff and Arlene Martz. We appreciate you sharing how special Ryan was to your family. We wish you God's blessings as you shine for Him when you head to Ethiopia in the fall.

Save the Date Retiree Celebration!

Past and present students (and parents of students) are invited to join us for a celebration of Mrs. Wierenga's and Mrs. Goodwin's retirements! We will also be expressing our best wishes to other staff members leaving us: Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Rumph, Mrs. Winkel, Miss Wyatt and Mrs. Dekker, along with the bus drivers: Mrs. Beldman and Mrs. Vyn.

Please join us on Thursday, June 8 at 1:30 pm in the gym for a program honouring the contributions of these teachers.

Photos requested: In preparation of the June slide show, I am requesting pictures of field trips, choir tours, and Sporting events. If you've got some good pics, please forward them to me. Thanks. Mr. Boer

The **Senior Choir** has been invited to sing at Mr. Postma's retirement dinner on June 10, at 6:30 pm. Students should plan to be at school by 6:15 and can be picked up by 7:00. Please let Mrs. Van Egmond know if you are not able to attend. dvanegmond@ccshamilton.ca

The **Junior Choir** has been invited to sing at Mr. Postma's OPEN HOUSE on June 10. Please be at the school at 1:45. The short program will begin at 2:00. Please let Mrs. VanEek know if you are not able to attend.

ANNUAL FOOD TRUCKS - JUNE 5

The Fundraising Committee is looking forward to our 3rd annual Food Truck Fest! Please join us on Monday, June 5 from 5 pm to 7 pm for a fun evening of food and fellowship.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Fundraising Committee is looking for more members, as some of our current members are completing their term. This committee has fun planning various fundraising events that will appeal to all CCS families. If you would like to join this committee starting in the 2017-18 school year, please contact Kim Nash at kdnash00@gmail.com.

Tuition and Fees Forms: Some items to note while filling out your forms for next week FRIDAY JUNE 9th. Please ensure you fill out the form #464 if you select the Fundraising & Volunteer Reduction, it is required to be handed in when you take this deduction. Also please note all families need to include the \$300 Membership Fee in their total and please sign and return your TRIP certificate, if applicable.

THANKS MVW

From the Golf Committee: We are happy to report that a few spots have opened up so we can still accommodate YOU if you still choose to golf! Call the school for more information!



The last **gouda cheese** order for this school year is due at the office on June 9 by 3:30. Please email the school office if we can put in an order for you!

MASTER FIELD DAY!

The CCS Master Field Day team still needs to be selected and that information should be available on Monday. In the meantime, CCS is once again hosting Master Field Day (MFD) at the Mohawk Sports' Complex at Mohawk Rd. and Upper Kenilworth on Friday, June 2.

The day will begin with devotions at 8:45 am and the first event starts at 9:00 am. Below please find a schedule of events for the day. School will be closed for grades 4-8 on Friday; school WILL be open for students in Jubilee, Senior Kindergarten and for grades K-3 and buses will be running. The MFD participants are asked to get their own transportation to the park. If that is not possible, they may meet at CCS at 8:15 am to car pool to the park. There is no rain date for MFD. If it rains and the event is cancelled, it will be announced on our website by 7:30 am School will then be on for ALL students. If it rains when we are at the park, we will bus students back to CCS and the school day will proceed for these students as usual.

Participants are reminded to wear school team clothing and dress according to the weather. Bring a hat and sunscreen. Food will be sold, but I'd encourage students to take along their own food and drinks. A letter was sent home with all the details. Ask your son or daughter about it. Finally, please consider joining us for the day to cheer on our students as they compete against other Christian schools in the Niagara District. AB

The Mohawk Sports Park is located at 1100 Mohawk Rd. East in Hamilton. The track and field facility is located behind Bernie Arbour Baseball Stadium. Additional (and more convenient!) Parking is available just east of Upper Kenilworth off of Mohawk Road.

NIAGARA DISTRICT CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS MASTER FIELD DAY SCHEDULE FRIDAY JUNE 2, 2017

Time	9/10 Boys	9/10 Girls	11/12 Boys	11/12 Girls	13 + Boys	13+ Girls
8:30	Teachers and Leaders Meeting					
8:45	Opening Devotions					
9:00	800 m	800 m	800 m	800 m	800 m	800 m
9:40	High Jump	Running Long	100 m Dash	100 m Dash	Standing Long	Triple Jump
10:20		High Jump	Running Long	Standing Long	100 m Dash	100 m Dash
11:00	100 m Dash	100 m Dash	High Jump	Running Long	Triple Jump	Standing Long
11:40	Triple Jump	Ball Throw		High Jump	Running Long	200 m
12:20	Standing Long		Triple Jump		High Jump	Running Long
1:00	Lunch Break					
1:10	Running Long	Triple Jump	Standing Long	200 m	200 m	High Jump
1:50	Ball Throw	Standing Long	200 m	Triple Jump		
2:30	4 x 100 Relays	4 x 100 Relays	4 x 100 Relays	4 x 100 Relays	4 x 100 Relays	4 x 100 Relays
3:00	Results and Closing Devotions					

Please be at the events at the required time. Note the **10 minute Lunch Break**. All blanks indicate make-up time or a break.