

Nonday 19th December, 2016

Keeping you informed on the life and activity of your local Adventist school



First Ever Weekday Movie Night - This evening 55 students, along with parent volunteers, huddled together to watch *Finding Dory*. A spaghetti meal and pizza were followed by popcorn from an amazing machine, fruit, chips, and juice. The evening saw students from all grades bonded together. Swag bags containing a cone to fill with popcorn, pens, buttons, and a smoke free movie petition will conclude this wonderful event. Thank you parent volunteers. A huge 'thank you' to Akehil and Chris from Hamilton East and Hamilton Public Health. Looking forward to the next one!

Parent online Survey - **Deadline : Thursday 22nd Dec.** Please visit https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GAApar Your participation is encouraged and appreciated.

School Christmas Lunch & Recital - This will be held on Wednesday 21st December in the afternoon. On the menu for this year will be mashed potatoes, vegetarian turkey roll, gravy, peas, sweetcorn, cranberry sauce, stuffing, dinner rolls, and cupcakes. The price is the same as last year - \$5.00. The Recital will follow the Christmas lunch. Parents/Guardians are welcome. **Christmas Sock Appeal** - Thank you for supporting this special outreach project. The students donated 130 pairs of socks that will be distributed to the homeless.

Skating - Tis the season to skate! We all enjoyed some fun and exercise on the rink last Wednesday. Our next skating session is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 18th January. <u>Please note, this year all</u> <u>students are required to wear helmets.</u>

Santa's Little Helpers (Norcard) Catalogue Orders

Apologies for the delay. These are now due to arrive Tuesday afternoon. They will be processed on Wednesday morning and be available to send home, with your child, on Wednesday afternoon. The delay was due to our late order. For next year, we really must adhere to the deadline to avoid this problem. The catalogues will be sent out at the end of September.

Last Day of School - School ends on Friday 23rd December at <u>NOON</u>. School will re-open on **Monday** 9th January.

Please turn over (PTO)

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20: Skiing - Grades 6-8 only
20: Trip to Ruthven - Grades JK-5 only
20: School Christmas lunch and Recital (pm) - Cost \$5
23: Noon dismissal

og: School resumes 23: Professional Development day (PD) - School closed



How abundant are the good things that you have stored up for those who fear you, that you bestow in the sight of all, on those who take refuge in you. $$-$Psalw 31:19\ \mbox{NIV}$$



notes&news

Whole School Evaluation - GAA staff are preparing for the upcoming evaluation, early next year. In preparation for this, a parent survey will be available to be filled out online shortly. These will be anonymous and will go directly to the Conference. More details will follow. We are encouraging you to fill these out as quickly as possible, so that we can progress with the rest of the evaluation.

Bus Cancellation/School Closure - Unfortunately, inclement weather brings along with it the possibility of school closures. Please note that if Hamilton Public or Catholic Board cancels school buses, SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED. Please check CHCH (television), 680News and 900CHML as well as our website for school closures. Once we have been informed by the bus company, a member of staff will call you to let you know that school will be closed.

Mad Science Program - We are pleased to inform you that this program will once again be offered at Grandview! This 8 week program will begin on Monday 30th January, 2017. Please watch for more details.

Be a social media ambassador for your school, Grandview Adventist Academy. It's simple! Like our page on Facebook or follow us on Twitter and then share/retweet, like, or comment on our posts. You may also wish to consider leaving a positive review on Google or Yelp. Thank you for helping us share the good news about the quality education available at Grandview!

A MESSAGE FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Grades JK - SK Teacher: Mrs. Duncan

I feel privileged and blessed to be able to teach your children about God's gift to us this holiday season. Remember to thank and praise God for giving us a school where we can educate His children and share His message. God's blessings this holiday season.

Grades 1 & 2 Teacher: Mrs. Roschman

Dear Parents, thank you so much for your support

Grades 4 - 6 Teacher: Miss Allen

I wish all the GAA families a wonderful holiday season. May God continue to bless you and your loved ones. As 2016 comes to a close, I pray that you have a prosperous New Year.

Grades 6 - 8 Teacher: Mrs. Bannis

To all my students and their families, may the Lord bless you with much joy as you celebrate this holiday season.

Grades JK - 8 Teacher: Mr. Mopera

During this season of giving, let us take time to slow down and enjoy the simple things. May this wonderful time of year touch your heart in a special way, and may we remember the reason for the season....Jesus. Wishing you happiness today, and throughout the year. Have a blessed holiday.

French Teacher: Mrs. Hélène Brûlé-Besner

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good will towards men! Joyeux Noel et Bonne Annee!

Music Teacher: Mrs. P. Bryce

Wishing everyone peace, joy and comfort during this Christmas season.

A MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION - Mrs. Dubecki and Mrs. Bannis

Wishing you and your families season's greetings as we welcome in 2017, another year of our Lord, full of promise and opportunity. See you, God willing in 2017!