

## notes&news **Thursday 23rd February, 2017**

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



Hot Lunch - This week, hot lunch will be spaghetti, sauce, salad, and a dessert. Please send your money (\$4.00) to the school by Friday.

Parents, please take note: The teachers have noticed that students are coming unprepared for class. Homework is not being completed. Please monitor your child(ren) and ensure that they are coming to school prepared for their classes each day.

Parent - Teacher Interviews - Thank you to all parents/guardians that attended the interviews on Tuesday to discuss their child(ren)'s progress.

CAT 4 Testing - From 27th February to 10th March, students in grades 1 - 8 will undergo a selection of Cognitive Ability Tests. These tests are diagnostic and help teachers to understand students' individual thought processes, so that they can plan appropriately and provide different strategies for learning where these may be necessary. Students should not worry or attempt to study for these tests as there are no 'right' or 'wrong' answers.

New PD days - The North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists will be implementing a new Bible Curriculum in September 2017. On March 27 & 28, all SDA elementary schools will be closed to allow all teachers the time for their training of this program. We apologise for any inconvenience this might cause you.

Citrus - Our next pick-up date is Sunday 5th March from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm.

Heritage Fair - Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, and other family members that came to view the Grade 4 - 8 Heritage Fair projects last Thursday afternoon. A warm thank you to the judges for giving of their time and recommendations. It was sincerely appreciated. Congratulations to the students advancing to the Grand Erie District Regional Heritage Fair in April: Silver winners - Noah Hannes and Taylor Roque, and Gold winners - Lyra Karen Agpalo, Anthony Blackman, Jenna Dubecki, Sheziah Marcellin, Alejandra Okimi Atencio, and Timi Olatunde.

Please turn over

## lookingahead...

## February/March 2017

27: CAT 4 Testing begins (Grades 1-8)

04: Gr. 6-8 Hamilton East Church /HG Nursing Home Program

05: Citrus pick-up

13: Mid-Winter Break begins

20: Classes resume

27: PD Day - No School

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I delight greatly in the LORD; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, - ISAIAH 61:10 NIV



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A Message from Mrs. Duncan - Over the past month, we had the pleasure of watching the stages of development of our duck friends. We watched them grow inside their eggs, hatch, and blossom over the past week. Yesterday we said good-bye to them, as they returned to the farm to continue their life journey. Good-bye Luna-Orange and Flash. We had fun getting to know you. (Photos coming to the school website soon!)

**Skating** - Our third and final skating event for the season took place last Wednesday and we had a wonderful time! If your child(ren) have borrowed skates from the school, please return as soon as possible.

Excellence in Education Awards 2017 - You are invited to nominate your school principal or teacher for an Excellence in Education Award. Details and forms can be found at http://catnet.adventist.ca under Resources or by calling the SDACC Office of Education at 905.433.0011

February's character trait is **HONESTY!** Honesty means giving the correct idea or impression, keeping your word, honouring your commitments and returning what you borrowed. Honesty can also mean doing your own assignments and being real or genuine. Proverbs 12:17 says: 'an honest witness tells the truth, but a false witness tells lies'.

Choose to be honest, just like Jesus.

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!

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.