

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



HOT LUNCH - Hot lunch is served every Friday. This week, hot lunch will be pizza buns, potato chips, and dessert. Please send your money (\$4.00) to the school by Wednesday.

HERITAGE FAIR JUDGES - Would you like to be a judge for our in-school Heritage Fair? We need volunteers to judge the students' projects! If you are available, **Thursday 15th February from 12:30 - 2:30 pm**, please give the office a call asap (905-679-4492).

REPORT CARDS - As per the school calendar, Report Cards should have been sent home yesterday. Unfortunately, due to staff sickness and absences, this was not possible. We are working on getting these to you by the end of the week. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

PARENT-STUDENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS - are scheduled for **Tuesday 20th February**. Interview appointment forms were sent home with your child today. If you wish to schedule an appointment, please fill out and return the form to the school by **Thursday 15th February**. You will be notified of your interview time by Friday of this week.

FUNDSCRIP - The next Fundscrip order is due in the office by **Friday 16th February**. Please support the school by purchasing gift cards - even for your regular grocery and gas purchases - and 'give back' to the school. There are over 170 retailers in Ontario to choose from.....**Tim Hortons, Food Basics, No Frills, Esso, Boston Pizza, Starbucks, Subway, Staples, Walmart, Home Depot....just to name a few!!** You get full value of the card, and pay nothing more!! This is such an easy way to support the school. **Please participate!!** Order forms can be obtained online, or from the school.

UNIFORM ORDERS - The next and last uniform order date for this school year is **21st February**. If you would like to order school polos or sweaters, please contact the school before this date. We appreciate your patience during our supplier problems, and hope to fill all orders as quickly as possible.

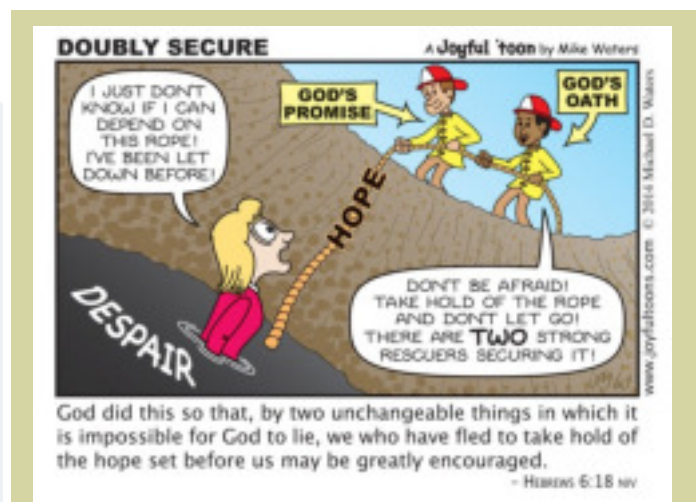
CITRUS - Unfortunately, due to increased trucking and fuel costs, as well as increased fruit costs, Golden Harvest has cancelled our February shipment. **Thank you** to all who supported this fundraising program, whether through purchasing citrus, unloading the truck, or serving our customers on pick up day!

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February 2018



- Feb. 15: Grandview Heritage Fair
- 16: Fundscrip orders due
- 19: Family Day - NO SCHOOL
- 20: Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews - NO SCHOOL
- 21: Uniform orders due
- 28: Skating (last one!) - Parents welcome!



EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDS - The time has come again for the SDACC Office of Education to receive nominations for the Excellence in Education Awards. If you would like to nominate a deserving teacher or principal, please go to <http://catnet.adventist.ca> under Resources ~ SDACC ~ Excellence in Education Award or call the SDACC Office of Education at 905-433-0011. Deadline is **15th April**.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT - February's character trait is **COMPASSION!** **Compassion** means being kind, patient, friendly and sympathetic; willing to listen, give and share. The Bible teaches everyone to become more like Jesus each and every day. Jesus never looked away from people; He always looked upon them and had **compassion**. Jesus took time to help those who were in need and those who were hurting. I must **choose** to do the same.

PARENTS - On rare occasions, severe weather arrives quickly and unexpectedly during the school day. On days when this occurs, GAA may dismiss early. It is imperative that your personal information is updated to ensure you receive timely notification! It is also important if you work during the day, to have arrangements in place for someone to care for your child(ren) if such a need arises. GAA understands that changing the daily schedule for any reason is disruptive to families. We appreciate your cooperation during times when we are experiencing weather that can be dangerous for students and staff.

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.

***Please remember to check your school email address regularly for new information from the principal and teachers!**

WINTER CLOTHING - As winter is here, this is a reminder to all of our students that proper winter clothing must be worn. This includes hats, gloves, and boots in addition to your winter coats and snow pants. There are still a number of students without snow pants and gloves.

STUDENT DROP OFF - Please remember that student supervision does not begin until **8:50 am**, unless a specific arrangement has been made with your child's class teacher for that day. Please remain with your children until that time, to ensure their safety. Thank you for respecting the staff devotional time.

TELEPHONE CALLS - If there is a need to contact your child during the day, please call during recess - 10:40-11:15 or 12:50-13:25, and not during instructional hours. Thank you for your understanding.

FOOD ALLERGIES - Please help us to keep our school an allergen free facility by ensuring your child has no nut products. In addition to this, if your child requires the use of an epi-pen, could you please ensure he/she has two, one for the office and one to be carried on their person.

A REQUEST FROM OUR MARKETING COMMITTEE - Thank you for sending your child(ren) to Grandview Adventist Academy! We know you have a choice of schools and we appreciate that you chose GAA.

Did you know that positive online reviews can be extremely helpful for the exposure and credibility of organizations? We'd be so grateful if you would take a moment to share your review of our school online, by clicking on the links below. A few minutes of your time could make a big difference to our school!

Google Review: <http://bit.ly/GAA-review>

Yelp Review: <http://bit.ly/2yokf3X>

Facebook Review: <http://bit.ly/2xhpgen>