

# notes&news

Monday 24th February, 2020





HOT LUNCH is served every Friday. This week, hot lunch will be burgers, veggies, chips and dessert. Please send your money (\$4.00) to the school by Wednesday of this week.

**SNACKS FOR SALE** - **Beginning this week,** the JK/SK and Grade 7/8 classes will sell snacks at first break on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. The price will be **50 cents.** The Kindergarten class will put their profits towards the purchase of musical bells whereas the Grade 7 & 8 class will use their profits for the grade 8 graduation. The snacks offered this week will be:

Tuesday - cookies Thursday - muffins

**HERITAGE FAIR** - A warm thank you to the judges for giving of their time and recommendations in judging the Grade 4-8 Heritage Fair projects. It was sincerely appreciated.

**EARTH DAY POSTER COMPETITION** - The Ontario Conference is once again hosting an Earth Day Summit on Sunday 19th April at the International Centre in Mississauga. GAA students are invited to

participate and display their talents by **designing a poster** that recognizes God as Creator and our responsibilities as faithful stewards, doing our part in taking care of the Earth that God gave to us. The poster should depict in some way our saying "thanks to God our Creator and Provider". Winning posters will be on display at the Summit, and awards will be presented. **Posters must be submitted to the school by Wednesday 11th March.** 

<u>CONSTITUENCY MEETING</u> - The annual GAA Constituency Meeting will take place on **Saturday 7th March at 6:15 pm.** Please come and support.

<u>DATE CHANGE</u> - The Regional Heritage Fair scheduled on your calendar for April 16th will now take place on April 22nd.

KINGSWAY COLLEGE PREVIEW WEEKEND - KC is having their annual Preview Weekend for students in grade 8 and their families. The weekend will be from April 24-26, 2020. Come and see what Kingsway has to offer. Accommodations, meals and all events are FREE. For more information and to register, please visit www.kingsway.college/preview.

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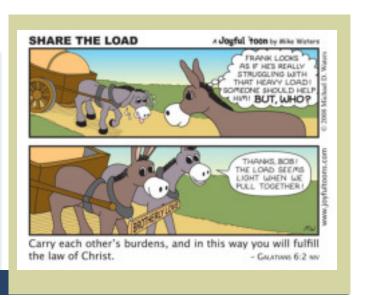
#### February 2020

Feb. 28: GAA Spelling BEE - NEW DATE!

29: Please note - the School Fair scheduled for this date has been RESCHEDULED to April. Keep watch for more information.

#### **March 2020**

Mar. 7: Annual Constituency Meeting at 6:15 pm Mar. 16-20: Mid-Winter Break - NO SCHOOL





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**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 <a href="http://catnet.adventist.ca">http://catnet.adventist.ca</a> under Resources -SDACC-Excellence in Education Award or you may call the SDACC Office of Education at 905-433-0011. Deadline is 15th April.

**FEBRUARY CHARACTER TRAIT** - is **KINDNESS! Kindness** is treating others the way you'd want to be treated. Romans 2:4 says "Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's **kindness** is meant to lead you to repentance? Just as God shows **kindness**, we need to show **kindness** to others so we can be an example of God's character.

To help your child learn more about **kindness**, read the story of Paul and the Jailer. After an earthquake loosened Paul and Silas's chains, they could have escaped. Instead the chose to stay out of **kindness** toward the jailer who would have been killed had they gotten away. After this act of **kindness**, the jailer fell on his knees and asked them how to be saved. He and his whole household were saved.

**STUDENT SUPPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT** - If your child has an upcoming event, e.g. baptism, investiture, tournament (and such like), we would like to know so that we can actively support them where possible! We are here for all your children, not just academically, but in all areas of their lives. Share, so that we can show them how much we care!

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

IMPORTANT: Please DO NOT park in the Fire Zone.

BUS CANCELLATION/SCHOOL CLOSURE: Unfortunately, inclement weather brings along with it the possibility of school closures. Please note the if Hamilton Public or Catholic Board cancels school busses (look online for cancellation of Hamilton-Wentworth School Transportation), SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED. Please check



your school email or Facebook for school closures. Once we have been informed of cancellation by the bus company, we will post to your email,

GAA website and Facebook by 6:45 am. **NO PHONE** CALLS WILL BE MADE BY THE SCHOOL.

**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 staff devotional time.

<u>STUDENT PICK UP</u> - Please remember that **student supervision ends at 3:30 pm**, unless a specific arrangement has been made with your child's class teacher for that day. Please respect our time by picking your child up on time.

Please bring and pick up your students on time!

**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 epipen, could you please ensure he/she has two, one for the office and one to be carried on their person.