

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



BIRTHDAYS - Wishing a Happy Birthday to Emma and Felicia for Sunday, 28th February!

PARENT-STUDENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS (VIRTUAL)

- Thank you to all those who participated in the interviews by Zoom or by phone yesterday. We trust that you were able to understand more clearly the progress being made by your child(ren).

UPDATE RE REPORT CARDS - Report Card 1 will be sent home on Monday 1st March.

The government requires us to send 3 reports per school year - a Progress Report in November, Report 1 and a Final Report. We have been giving an additional Progress Report in April. However, due to the Ontario Conference transitioning to a new management information system called PowerSchool, there will not be a Progress Report 2 in April. Virtual Parent-Teacher Interviews will occur as planned in the evenings of April 27 - 29. Final Report Cards will be sent home on the last day of school.

ONLINE PARENTS - Please note that **Thursday, 4th March** and **Friday, 5th March** will be 'Learning

Material Pick Up Days' for all **grade K - 8 online students**. The teachers will have learning materials ready that the students will need for the next few weeks. A paper copy of your child's Report Card will also be included.

Please come to the school to pick up these materials between the hours of **9:00 am and 3:30 pm on Thursday** and **9:00 am and 1:30 pm on Friday**.

MID-WINTER BREAK - As the Ontario government recently postponed March Break for the Public schools, we have decided to follow the government's suggestion and postpone ours as well. GAA will now have it's mid-winter break from **Monday 12th - 16th April**.

NEW - PD DAYS - Our Ontario Conference has added an additional 2 PD days to our calendar. These will be on **Friday 12th March** and **Monday 15th March**.

SKATES & HELMETS - Do you remember the fun we used to have skating as a school? Seems like so long ago! Well, when we left school that Friday for March break 2020, never did we think that we would not be back in the school for the rest of the school year.

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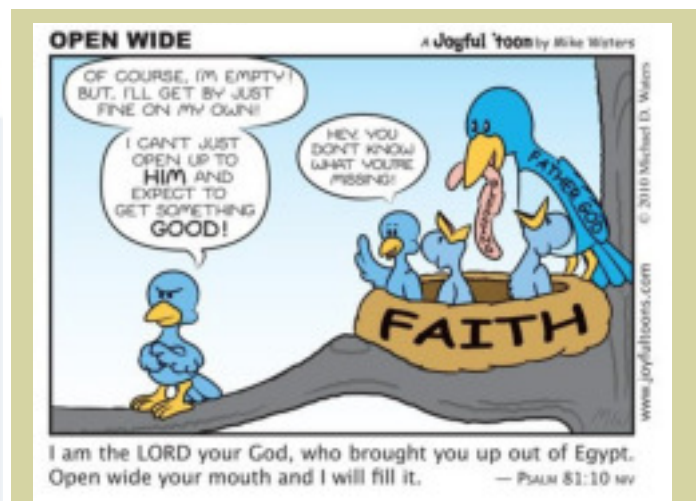
February/March 2021



Feb. 05: Second Semester began

Mar. 01: Report Card 1 Home

- 04: Online Student Learning Material Pick Up Day
- 05: Online Student Learning Material Pick Up Day
- 06: Annual Constituency Meeting (Virtual), 6:00 pm
- 12: PD Day - **NO SCHOOL**
- 15: PD Day - **NO SCHOOL**



Because of this, many students were unable to return the skates and helmets that they had borrowed. Instructions were to return them once school reopened. We would like to remind you to please return these items so that we have them to share when we can once again enjoy skating outings. Thank you.

TUITION PAYMENTS - Your next tuition payment is due on 1st March. Please prepare to make your payment on time.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDS - The time has come again for the SDACC Office of Education to receive nominations for the Excellence in Education Awards. As our educators face increasing challenges with COVID, our recognition and thanks are especially important. 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 you may call the SDACC Office of Education at 905-433-0011. Deadline is April 15th.

FEBRUARY'S CHARACTER TRAIT is PERSEVERANCE.
Perseverance means being steadfast, not giving up. It is sticking to something, staying committed, no matter how long it takes or what obstacles appear to stop you. Instead of giving up, look for ways to remove or work around the obstacles.

Without **perseverance**, people give up on things easily. Jesus wants us to always think: **'Yes, I can do it, I won't give up.'** (Galatians 6:9)

MASKS REQUIRED ON SCHOOL PROPERTY - Please note that **masks must be worn on school property, both inside and outside!** Before you step out of your car, please make sure you are wearing a mask.

FIRE ZONES - Please **do not stop or park in** any fire zone areas or any areas marked with yellow diagonal lines.

***Please remember to check your emails regularly for new information from the Principal and teachers!**

SUITABLE OUTDOOR CLOTHING - As colder weather is upon us, this is a reminder to all of our students that proper outdoor clothing must be worn. This may include **hats, gloves, winter boots, winter coats** and **snow pants**, when needed. **Parents**, please monitor the weather forecast and send your child(ren) with the appropriate clothing. Thank you.



FACEBOOK - Did you know that GAA has a Facebook page? Please check it out and see what your children have been up to.

FOOD ALLERGIES - Please help us to keep our school an allergen free facility by ensuring you 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.**



SCHOOL CLOSURE - If the school must close, **for any reason** (weather or other), **the closure will be for both in-person and online classes.** Once cancellation has been confirmed, we will post to your **email, GAA website and Facebook by 7:00 a.m.**



NO PHONE CALLS WILL BE MADE BY THE SCHOOL.

PROPER ATTIRE - Please remember to follow the **GAA Dress Code. Leggings, jeggings, and tights are not to be worn.** Please review our copy of the Dress Code from the registration package or go online to **www.grandviewschool.ca** where you will find it with the registration documents. The Dress Code details the expectations for each day of the school week, **including Friday Casual Dress Day.**