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Tuesday, 19th April, 2022

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





BIRTHDAYS - Wishing a Happy Birthday to Avery for Thursday 21st April and Zeb for Friday 22nd April!

NEW DATE FOR PICTURE DAY - School and grad photos will be taken on Monday, 9th May. Please watch for more details.



THANK YOU - to Mrs. Hiawat Lindo for her generous donation of office supplies. They are greatly appreciated!

UNIFORMS - For all those who have been waiting for our uniform supply to be replenished, thank you for your patience. Our embroiderer, Linda, recently lost her husband and has been unable to work on our order. Please keep her in your prayers.

***STUDENT ABSENCE - Please remember that it is your duty to notify the school (by phone or by email) if your child is going to be late or absent. It is important that we have all absences explained and all students accounted for as soon as possible each day.

COVID UPDATE - Weekly we become aware of more

cases of Covid at GAA. PLEASE MONITOR YOUR CHILDREN CLOSELY FOR SIGNS & SYMPTOMS, Please remember: Students and staff must continue to screen on a daily basis and follow the Public Health recommendations. However, verification to the school is no longer needed.

**If you require Covid-19 Antigen Rapid Tests, please send a note with your request in your child's agenda or email their teacher.

Due to the number of positive Covid cases in recent weeks at Grandview, the continued wearing of masks is strongly recommended.

WHAT TO DO NEXT - If Covid is in your household, or you suspect it and are unsure of what to do next, please follow the Hamilton Public Health guidelines as outlined in the flowcharts attached to this email.

Note - It takes up to 48 hours to set up your child online. In the meantime, work will be sent through Google Classroom for your child to complete asynchronously.

COMING SOON - a School Climate Survey and a GAA

lookingahead...



April 2022

April 19-22: Adventist Education Week **Teacher Appreciation Week** 23: Adventist Education Sabbath

26-27: Parent-Teacher Virtual Interviews, 3:30-6:30 pm



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specific survey to be filled out by parents, students and staff. More details to follow shortly.

REGISTRATION FORMS 2022-2023 - Forms (previously sent home with students) and payment are due in the office by Friday 6th May to be eligible for the early registration discount fee of \$80. After this date, the fee will rise to \$160, NO EXCEPTIONS.

DO NOT DELAY - CLASSES ARE FILLING UP QUICKLY!!

Please note: all students must be re-registered for each new school year. All required forms must be filled out once again. Please write neatly and legibly.

NEW - ONLINE VIRTUAL SCHOOL WILL <u>NOT</u> BE OFFERED BY GAA FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR.

PERSONAL INFORMATION UPDATES - If there have been any changes in your personal information, for example your address or phone number, please notify the office immediately.

APRIL'S CHARACTER TRAIT is Respect! Respect is feeling that something or someone is valuable and worthy of honour while at the same time showing this feeling by actions. Both feeling and acting are required for respect.

We should **respect** God, as He is worthy of our words and actions. We should **respect** others, as God created other people and we **respect** God by **respecting** others. We should **respect** ourselves as we have been created and loved by God.

1 Peter 2: 17 says, "Show proper **respect** to everyone. Love the community of believers. Have **respect** for God. Honor the king." (NIRV)

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.

EMAILS - Please remember to check your emails regularly for new information from the Principal and teachers.

<u>SUITABLE OUTDOOR CLOTHING</u> - Parents, please monitor the weather forecast and send your children with the appropriate clothing. Thank you.

SCHOOL CLOSURE - If the school must close, **for any reason** (weather or other), the closure will be announced on **your school email or Facebook.** 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.**



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR PARENTS - On rare occasions, severe weather or other emergencies may arrive 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 or other situations that can be dangerous for students and staff.