

Mr. Verburg's Message:



Students working on their MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) tests in a flexible seating arrangement. The goal of flexible seating is to increase student learning and engagement. Since allowing students to take these tests in this arrangement, we have found that students are able to focus longer and are more engaged in the test. This results in higher levels of achievement.

Inspiring Minds. Engaging Hearts. Building Character.

Community Christian School

P.O. Box 141, 35 High Street, Drayton ON N0G 1P0

(T) 638-2935 | (F) 638-3373

Email: office@ccsdrayton.org | Website: www.ccsdrayton.org

Communication from the Board

We, as a Board, have been spending some time at our meetings discussing board member recruitment for the 2019-2020 school year. In May, we need to replace three board members: our secretary, treasure, and a member-at-large; also keeping in mind that we need to fill the chair position the following school year. With these needs, and the necessary skills in mind, the board will soon be sending out information packages, and an invitation to join the board, to those individuals who we feel could meet those needs. We ask for your prayers during this process. If you receive an information package and invitation, we ask that you give it prayerful consideration.

Full-time and Spare Bus Driver Needed

Our school now owns and operates its own buses and starting in September we will need a full-time driver, preferably with three years driving experience. We are also looking for two or three spare bus drivers. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact the school at 519-638-2935 or principal@ccsdrayton.org. We will pay for licensing and training. If you know of someone who would be a great bus driver, please pass along their name and contact information.

HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE:

- March 5 – Hot Dog Lunch
- March 19 – Sloppy Joes
- March 26 - Pizza
- April 9 – Hot Dog

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Fri. March 1	Basketball Tourney (RIM Park)
Mon. March 4	Exhibition Hockey Games
Tues. March 5	Hotdog Lunch
Tues. March 5	Board Meeting
Wed. March 6	Registration and Open House
Wed. March 6	Ski Trip – Grade 7 & 8
Thurs. March 7	Second Term Report Cards
Thurs. March 7	Last Day before Spring Break
Sat. March 9	Community Family Skate Evening
March 8 to 15	March Break (NO SCHOOL)
Tues. March 19	Hot Lunch (sloppy joes)
Tues. March 19	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Tues. March 26	Pizza Lunch
Tues. April 2	Board Meeting
Wed. April 3	Registration and Open House
Tues. April 9	Hotdog Lunch



**PAJAMA DAY @ CCS!
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019**

**All students, parents, and staff
are welcome to wear pj's and
embrace their bedhead!!**

FYI:

Nic At Night

- All students in the choir (Grades 1-8) and choreography will need to wear a long sleeved black shirt for the musical performances. Shirts must be solid black (no writing or designs).
- We need several sets of white mini LED lights (battery operated) for the Nic at Night set. If you have any light sets that we could use for the musical, it would be really appreciated. Please clearly label your light sets in order to ensure a quick return after the musical!
- Chicken Paper Required! In order to create the backdrops and set pieces, we need THICK chicken paper. If you have some that could be donated, we would really appreciate it!!

Lost and Found! There are a number of items in our “lost & found” which have lost their owners. If any of these items look familiar, please let the office know!



Bake Sale !

Thank you for all your support with Grade 1/2's bake sale! Together, we raised \$309.25. Our class decided that \$155.00 will go towards Habitat for Humanity and \$154.25 will go towards Bibles for the World. We were so excited to see how much we raised!

MARCH BREAK!

Spring Break begins on Friday, March 8 (no school on Friday) until the following Friday, March 15!

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS!

Please look for your 2018 tax receipts in your oldest child's back packs when they get home!

Dates to Remember:

- **RESCHEDULED - Grade 7 & 8 Hockley Valley Resort Ski Trip** – Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 - Students can take the bus to school and will be back at the school at 5 pm for pick up
 - If you haven't yet done so, please send payment to the school as soon as possible
- **Basketball Tournament**
 - Friday, March 1 at RIM Park in Waterloo
- **Hockey Exhibition Games**

Because we had to cancel our participation in two hockey tournaments this winter and the disappointment and frustration that it caused, we have arranged two exhibition games for our school hockey team on Monday, March 4 in Stratford at the William Allman Memorial Arena. We will play Stratford Christian School at 12:30 pm until 1:30 and then play against Huron Christian School at 1:30 until 2:30. The team will take the bus to Stratford.
- **Referee Needed for above** - We are in desperate need of someone who is willing to ref for the above mentioned exhibition games.....just need to call the basics, off sides, icing, and obvious penalties. The kids play at 12:30 and 1:30. Please let Ray, Paula, or Steve Slot know if you are willing to do this for the kids.
- **Registration and Open House** – Wednesday, March 6
 - Please come and visit!

Open House and Registration – Wednesday, March 6

Future Open House Days are planned for April 3 and May 1.

If you are a current family in the school and have a child ready for JK/SK, the necessary forms will be sent home soon for completion, but you are most welcome to come to one of our Open House Days if you would like. In the spring, Mrs. Culp will send an invitation for your child to visit the Kindergarten classroom for a morning.

If you know of any families with JK/SK age children who are interested in Christian education, please let them know about our upcoming Registration Dates. You can also contact the office and we will send them an information package. The best way to promote and market the school is through positive stories shared by parents to their acquaintances.

Requested Announcements:

Drayton Reformed Church invites you to join them for a night of clean comedy and coffee house at the Drayton Reformed Church, 74 Wellington Street South on Friday, March 1. Coffee House at 7pm & Show at 8pm. Contact the church office (secretary@draytonreformed.org or 519-638-2035 x21) to reserve/purchase your tickets today! *Ticket quantities are limited.

Drayton Minor Soccer invites you to sign up for the 2019 soccer season online by March 15. After this date, there will be a \$25 late fee. Please see the ad attached to your email with the newsletter.



SPRING BAZAAR **April 13, 2019**

Come and enjoy a day full of the traditional excitement that this day brings. Games for the whole family, live and silent auctions, baking and craft items. Donation Lists have been sent home. Please let a committee member know if you need a copy. Also, please keep those winter projects going that would make great donations for the auction or the centre table (sewing projects, woodworking, painting, or anything that you can think of).

If you have any questions, regarding the auction or centre table, please email the following committee members and your questions will be directed accordingly:

sheree.devries@gmail.com (Sheree DeVries)

btjubiland@gmail.com (Tryphena DeBoer)

Thank you, from the 2019 Auction Committee

GRAB BARREL

The Games Committee for the bazaar is asking that each family donate and bring to the school fifteen (15) \$1.00 items for the grab barrel. Thank You!



ONE MORE CANVASSER DESPERATLY **NEEDED for the SPRING BAZAAR**

The Bazaar Committee is still looking for one more canvassers for a portion of the town of Listowel. If you would like to help out, please contact Tracy DeWeerd at:

tracydeweerd@hotmail.com.

Thank you

to everyone who is volunteering in this capacity!

FROM THE GRADES:

JK / SK:

This was a very exciting week for us. We celebrated the 100th day of school. We lovingly referred to our end as the “geriatric wing” of the school. Granny Culp was a show stopper (it really was hilarious)!!

We are done learning all of our letters and will be focusing on blends (th, sh, ch, wh) with the SK and going over the letters again with the JK boys.

Next Week:

Report Cards go home on Thursday March 7th

PJ DAY - Thursday March 7th

Have a blessed weekend with your families!!

Grade 1/2:

We had so much fun on our 100th day of school! Thank you for helping us get all dressed up - it was great seeing all our 100-year-old students!

- Math: Both grades have started to explore coin names and counting money through our bake sale experience! Grade 1 has also reviewed numbers before and after while Grade 2 used rounding as a mental math strategy.
- Bible: We learned how God called Samuel and how God still calls us today. Our memory work for March is **Ruth 1:16-17** and is due **March 29**.
- **Show and Share** Friday: Jolene, Mykayla, Averi, Ellanna, Sam, Aj
- **Special Guest Read Aloud:** Tomorrow, **Nanda Zwart** will come. Thank you for sharing your love of reading with us.

Grade 3/4:

Memory Verse: Genesis 17: 7 is our new memory verse, which will be recited tomorrow, March 1.

Bible: We have begun to look at the rule of the first kings of Judah.

Creation Studies: Our new unit explores habitats. Students will be completing a research project about a habitat. Each student will create a lapbook to display their excellent work.

Math: Grade 4's have begun a geometry unit. They will be identifying various shapes and measuring angles. Grade 3's have begun a number sense unit. They will be learning multiplication facts and multiplication strategies. A multiplication chart will go home in the envelope today. Please practice these facts with your child. Ask your child how to play the “Dice Game.” Learning goals for this unit will be coming home this week.

Daily Five: Students applied their understanding of “main idea and details” as they wrote thank you letters to Mr. Wallace. Our next spelling test will be on Thursday, March 7. Keep “Reading to a Million.” We have read 134, 872 words!

Art: We are continuing to focus on shape and form as we create beautiful collaborative art pieces.

FROM THE GRADES:

Grade 5/6:

Math - Both grades have been working on a Data Management unit. We have looked at bar graphs, double bar graphs, line graphs, and stem leaf plots.

Reading - We are really enjoying our novel "Underground to Canada". Ask your child what has been happening in the story lately.

Creation Studies - We wrapped up our Forces and Structures unit with a short test. The students did a great job. Today we finished off our Structures poster. We will be working on a short Body Systems unit before March Break.

Art - Our one point perspective drawing were finished up today and next week we will look at two point perspective.

Work Work - Work is due on Thursday, there is a spelling test on Thursday as well.

Memory Work - Ephesians 6:16-18 (Thursday, March 8)

Please take note - We have been talking about self-control and being responsible during our RAM in the mornings. Please encourage your child to take responsibility for their work. Quite often work is ignored or left at home.

Grade 7/8:

Math: Both groups are still developing their skills with fractions, decimals, and percentages.

Language: Literature Circles are wrapping up. Our next class Novel Study will begin following March Break.

Geography: This week we are finalizing our plans for our Water Projects. Groups are developing their own guiding questions, determining how the workload will be divided, and deciding how the information should be presented.

Science: We are just at the outset of our Solutions and Mixtures unit.

Memory Work: Philippians 2: 9-11 for Thursday, March 7.

Ski Trip: The ski trip is now planned for Wednesday, March 6. Dare I say that the weather looks promising?