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NEWSLETTER

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Ponderings May 2018 - Uriah Heep

I am thankful to be living in the time of Netflix. No commercials, binge watching, and some pretty high quality programming – what's not to like? Actually there is quite a bit not to like, but nobody is forcing us to watch any of it. And where else can you access stuff put out by the BBC? In my opinion, the UK has a bit of a corner on quality actors who may be virtually unknown on this side of the Atlantic. Their literary and dramatic traditions enable the Brits to sustain a corps of exceptional artists who are able to take on daunting roles in series like *Little Dorrit*, based on the classic novel by Charles Dickens. I highly recommend it, if Brit drama is to your taste.

The BBC has been in the business of producing dramatic series based upon novels for decades. I remember watching *David Copperfield* on CBC when I was in my early teens. One character is still stuck in my memory after all these years – Uriah Heep. Dickens created many characters with quirky names who exhibited certain defining traits. The actor chosen to portray him masterfully projected Heep right into our living room. Heep was the very embodiment of false humility, which he used as a cloak to conceal his schemes and deceptions. He was a fawning flatterer who uttered self-deprecating phrases at every turn – a nauseating cretin who nonetheless misled many.

Scripture calls us to adopt a posture of true humility. Humility does not require us to think little of ourselves or to be everyone's doormat, or worse, to pretend to be so. Too often we can equate it with a set of habits that appear to express it. These habits are undoubtedly important in civil society. We need to be constrained so that order and respect are maintained. I am forced to grapple with the meaning of this word in the light of my career and new role, and must confess I too often do not attain it. Humility is much more than a set of habits.

The challenges of a school year, including our challenge of Bill 24, may lead our critics to suggest we are arrogant to resist shifts in the tide of broadly accepted opinion. It is vital at this time to consider why true humility, so unnatural to humans, is so important. The Bible insists that our actions should be carried out with a realistic assessment of our true nature with its many limitations. How can we discern the truth if we fail to truly understand ourselves? Please pray for your leaders as they seek to be guided by scriptural, Spirit-breathed wisdom and as they attempt to make all manner of decisions that humbly and dutifully reflect God's will. "When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom." (Prov. 11:2) "Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom." (James 3:13)

Pete Hoekstra
Principal

Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. 1Timothy 4:12

Bill 24 Update - May 2018

If you had the opportunity to attend the May 9 combined societies meeting at Lacombe Christian School, you are now aware of the requirements of Bill 24, passed in the Alberta legislature during the fall session. In short, the law mandates the exclusion of parents from access to information about some of their children's school activities. The Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms will be appearing in court on June 8 to formally request an injunction. If it is granted, the law is suspended until a court ruling determining its constitutionality is brought down. We ask for your continued prayers and support regarding this process. May God's will be done as justice is served.

Board Notes

The construction of the Industrial Arts Building is off to an excellent start. CACHS will be able to offer a broader range of courses with this new facility. The program and new facility is expected to be complete and ready to go for students this September 4, 2018. The Industrial Arts Committee and Eagle Builders are exceeding all expectations.

The Spring Society Meeting will be held at CACHS on May 17th, 2018 at 7:30 pm. All society members are welcome to come. Refreshments and cookies will be provided.

CACHS will be welcoming a few new staff members to the team this year. Industrial Arts, Math, Science, and Art are a few of the subject areas we will find these new faces. CACHS looks forward to the Fall and the fresh start of the 2018/2019 year.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Philippians 4:23

In His Service,
Kandice Heltman
Board Secretary

Financial Update for May 2018

Tuition letters will be coming out at the end of May beginning of June. Please return the payment schedule back to the school by June 15th.

I will be sending out new Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization forms for next year to the families who had signed up this year. If you would like to sign up for next year, please give me a call.

Yours in Christ
Wendy Barnes
Business Administrator

Drama Presentation

The Drama 10, 20 & 30 classes invite you to an evening of laughs as they present *The Butler Did it!*

Shows are June 6 and 7 at the CACHS gym. Doors will open at 6:30 PM with the play to begin at 7:00 PM. Call the CACHS office (403-782-4535) to purchase your ticket for only \$10.00 and reserve your seat.

When it comes to solving murder mysteries, it's always the one you least suspect! The very popular butler Jenkins and the fiery Cockney maid Sarah Jane are preparing the Covington household for a visit from Edwina Corry, the world's greatest mystery author and friend of Lady Miranda and Colonel Covington. Other guests arriving include Lady Covington's feisty old mother, their high-flying daughter Kat, their chatty priest who doesn't know when to quit and the caddish, eavesdropping neighbor boy Trevor. Things are soon thrown into confusion however, when Trevor is found stabbed to death in the kitchen. On her arrival, Edwina eagerly launches an investigation into the murder. Unfortunately, the evidence is stacked against poor Jenkins from the start, and when the bloody knife is found in his pocket, the other members of the household tie him to a chair and call the police. The only problem? Jenkins didn't do it. And now he's got just half an hour to figure out who the real murderer is – while still tied to the chair.

Library News

Spring has finally arrived! I have been enjoying the symphony of bird songs first thing each morning.

It is that time of year again when the countdown to the end has started....five weeks till diploma exams start and seven weeks until graduation. Having said that, there is still quite a bit of school left, everything from reading novels to preparing speeches, Ethical and Religious topics that will need to be researched, to a Drama production and track meets. Let's finish strong.

Please remind your students to return their books as they complete their assignments. I will be closing the library to "checkouts" the 7th of June. All books will need to be returned to the library before exams start on June 13th. Thanks for your assistance.

Yvonne Reed
Librarian

Career Corner

Max Lucado's book Cure for the Common Life is a good resource for anyone trying to figure out their future. Lucado states, "Use your uniqueness (what you do) to make a big deal out of God (why you do it) every day of your life (where you do it). At the convergence of all three, you'll find the cure for the common life: your sweet spot."

Grade 12 students were made aware of the various scholarship opportunities available to them. Many of them require applications and are available in my office.

Grade 10 students have been instructed to sign up for MyPass which is the Alberta Education student portal. This will allow them to access their high school transcripts at any time. They need to sign into MyPass with their education accounts. They create an education account by signing in with an email (don't use the CACHS email) address. They will receive a letter in the mail with their access number which they require to sign in to MyPass. All students need to be signed up to MyPass in order to graduate. They are welcome to come talk to me if there are questions.

Veronica DenOudsten
Career Counselor

Grade 12 Grad Update

Graduation is quickly approaching as well as the grad trip coming up next week already! Here is a grad schedule update:

- **May 23 (leave at noon) – 25** – Grad trip to Sundance Lodge. A reminder that waiver forms need to be handed in to Ms. Vandergrift by Thursday, May 17th.
- **June 28** – 2 pm – graduation ceremony at Sunrise Christian Reformed Church in Ponoka

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Charissa Vandergrift at cvandergrift@cachs.ca

CACHS Catering

CACHS Catering upcoming events:

June 28 – CACHS graduation
August 4 – Ena Boot family
August 25 – Cassidy VanderSchee wedding

CACHS Catering strives for a high quality meal for a very reasonable price. If you would like to have us cater for an upcoming function, please feel to phone Emma for information. Have a look at the menu options and keep in mind that you will support the school by letting us cater your special function! We are only able to do one banquet on a weekend and only two functions a month so if you would like to book us, please call as soon as possible as we work on a first come first serve basis.

If you are able to help serve and/or clean up at any of our functions, please contact Anne Siebenga at 403-782-3554. Please consider volunteering a couple hours of your time to help at one of our functions.

CACHS Catering:
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Jennette Oosterink – 780-372-2130
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JCCF Information

The Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms is a registered charity (registration number 817174865-RR0001) that represents CACHS in its challenge of Bill 24. It takes cases *pro bono* and receives no government funds, thus it requires donations in order to operate. If you would like to support the work of JCCF please send your donation to:

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Athletics Schedule

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Athletics Calendar:

Every Tuesday 7:30 – 9:30 pm – Drop in badminton

Calendar

May 18 – Staff Collaboration – no school

May 21 – Victoria Day – no school

June 14 – Social 30-1 & 30-2 Diploma Part A – am

June 22 – Social 30-1 & 30-2 Diploma Part B – am

June 20-26 – Grade 10 and 11 school exams

June 27 – Biology 30 Diploma exam – am

June 28 – Physics 30 Diploma exam – am

June 28 – Grade 12 graduation

- Report card pick up until noon

September 4 – First day of 2018-2019 school year

Cookie Dough - Cinnamon Buns for Sale

There are a number of extra cookie dough and cinnamon buns for sale following the recent Grade 12 grad fundraiser. Cookie dough is \$16/container and the buns are \$12/package of 8. If you are interested in any of these products please call the school at 403-782-4535.

Monster Cookie – 1

The MotherLode – 5

Oatmeal Coconut Chocolate Chunk – 1

Oatmeal Raisin Spice – 2

Shortbread – 2

Sugar Cookie – 4

Cinnamon Buns – 2

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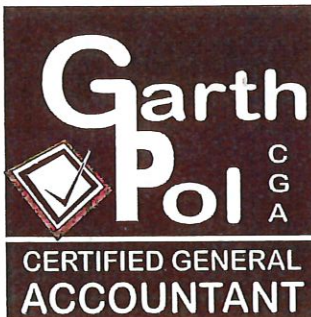


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