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NEWSLETTER

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Ponderings

Sabbath

My dad was a welder. He ran a small business for over 45 years, but began his working life well before he started his own business. At the age of 15 he followed his parents to Canada and immediately began working to help support the family to become established. He then started his own family, working hard to support them. He finally retired at the age of 69. For most of his working years he put in six days a week, and only took one week of holidays per year. He, like most people of his generation and cultural background, didn't just work hard – they believed in it. They felt guilty when they rested.

The Bible has much to say about work and its value. Proverbs extols the value of honesty, thrift, hard work and planning for the future. I must admit to a strong feeling of irony as I type these words. Having been in the teaching profession for much of my adult life, I look forward to spending a good chunk of the summer travelling, reading, and relaxing. I can honestly say I feel a bit of guilt as I look around the sheer level of busyness of the rest of the world as they “make hay while the sun shines”. I get to enjoy the best weather and beauty of the summer months while most people must use that time to get the bulk of their work done before conditions make it impossible to do so.

Back to my dad. I remember him telling a story about

being at a social gathering with a university professor. The conversation turned inevitably to what everyone did for a living, and what they were doing at the moment. The prof shared that he was on a “sabbatical”. Dad asked him a bit more about what that meant, and was surprised not by the prof's explanation (a year to rest from regular academic duties and turn one's attention to something else), but his assertion that “every job should have them”. This professor truly believed that everyone needed the opportunity to take significant time to get a new perspective and return to their tasks with renewed vigor and enthusiasm.

Teachers and students are blessed by the opportunity to rest from their work and from each other for the summer months. I do believe we all need a Sabbath in more than a literal sense. The rhythm of work and rest is built into life itself, as we see in the Ten Commandments. I hope that all who read this will make use of the opportunity for refreshment afforded by the summer break and the beautiful weather and surroundings at this time of year. May you experience the blessings of rest and the renewal of body and spirit, and a time of Sabbath.

See you in September.

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

Board Notes

“They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit in each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.” Psalm 1:3

As this school year comes to an end, we close one season and get ready to begin yet another. One constant in this life is that we are always in new and different seasons. Psalm 1:3 is a great promise for those who delight in the law of the Lord and meditate on it day and night. God’s word says that those who do will be like trees planted along the riverbank bearing fruit in each season and that their leaves will never wither and that they will prosper in all they do. That is good news for each of us and CACHS.

We are thankful for all that God has done at CACHS. There has been much accomplished over the year. CACHS is blessed with excellent leadership, an amazing staff and several volunteers that faithfully carry out the mission and vision of CACHS. The school does expect lower student enrollment for the 2018/2019 school year and that does bring some change, but CACHS continues to bear much fruit. God is faithful to His word.

CACHS has three new and excellent board members to welcome to the team. Steve Wildeboer, Val Ingwersen and Fred Baong have all chosen to rise up and serve CACHS for the next three year term. We also welcome Miss Shalyn Lindballe to our teaching staff and Mr. Darrell Stang and Mr. Nick Den Oudsten who will be instructing our Industrial Arts program.

We have witnessed progress in many areas, from the Industrial Arts Building that is going up – down to the important and transformative work that goes on in the hearts and lives of the students throughout the year. The graduation class of 2018 is one great testament of this work. We as a board would like to take this time to congratulate the Class of 2018. Well done Class of 2018! We hope and pray that CACHS as a whole, and that each member within the Class of 2018, is like strong trees planted along the river bank, bearing fruit in each season. That their leaves never wither and that they prosper in all they do...for God’s glory.

A big thank you to everyone in the CACHS family and community for your generous service and prayers for the school – together we make CACHS. Enjoy your summer!

Blessings,
Kandice Heltman
Board Secretary

Financial Update for June 2018

The Board, staff and students would like to thank the Building Blocks Thrift Store for their generous donation of \$25,000.00. This donation helps with keeping the cost of tuition down for families.

Letters regarding tuition for next year and renewal forms for Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Forms have been mailed out. Please have your authorizations forms for EFT back to school before August 15th for the September run to be processed. If you have not done EFT’s before and would like to do this, give me a call and I will get a form to you. I will be at school for most of the summer so give the school a call if you need anything.

Hope you all have a great summer!

Yours in Christ
Wendy Barnes
Business Administrator

Grade 10 Registrations/Course selection sheets

If your son/daughter is planning to attend CACHS in September, we would ask that you please complete the registration form and course selection sheet as soon as possible. If you need either of these forms, or if you have any questions, please call the school at 403-782-4535 or email office@cachs.ca Thank you.

Library News

As the school year comes to a close I want to wish each of you a relaxing summer and hope you all find some time to sit back and enjoy a book or two or three!

Yvonne Reed
Librarian

Career Corner

After three long years at CACHS our grade 12 students are moving on! It has been my privilege to watch these young people grow up and mature and I anticipate they will continue to grow and mature. There are many ways to learn things, and formal schooling is just one way. Lifelong learning will occur for each graduate in whichever way they choose.

Proverbs 2 gives us wonderful guidance on the moral benefits of wisdom.

“My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding – indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding.” Proverbs 2: 1-6

I have enjoyed the time I could spend with the graduates and I wish them the Lord's blessing in the journey ahead. I pray that they may continue to seek the Lord in all they do.

Veronica DenOudsten
Career Counselor

Holy Lands Trip - March 2019

Anyone interested in joining our trip is welcome to talk with Mr. Eggink and begin the registration process. Registration is open to CACHS students, parents, supporters and Society members, including former parents, grandparents, alumni, and future parents.

We believe this trip is an excellent opportunity to share our Christian faith between the generations that support CACHS. We hope a larger and more diverse group will enrich the journey for all travelers. Keeping in mind that this is a CACHS trip, we are committed to

emphasizing educational and faith formational values throughout the trip, with particular emphasis on the students.

We look forward to travelling through the Holy Lands next spring with our school community!

Graduation 2018

Please join the CACHS class of 2018 on Thursday, June 28 at 2:00 pm at Sonrise Christian Reformed Church in Ponoka, as they celebrate their graduation! Doors for the banquet, which will be held at CACHS, will open at 5:30 pm, with the **banquet (by invitation only)** starting at 6:00 pm.

Development Committee/Director Update

As the school year draws to a close, the Development Committee says goodbye to a few valuable members – Kristin Dykstra, Betty Scholing and Jolanda Rodenburg. Thank you to the committee for your support and for your help, most recently at the Grade 9 Pizza Night!

I encourage you all to check out the two CACHS Connection Alumni Newsletters that were put out this year – you can find them on the website, www.cachs.ca under “Our School”, and then the “Alumni” tab. Our students’ and alumni’s stories are so important as they showcase our school’s legacy in how it impacts lives, not just in the three years that the students spend here at CACHS, but for years to come. If you know of anyone who would like to contribute to the CACHS Connection, please email me at cekkel@cachs.ca

Happy reading!

Calendar

June 20-26 – Grade 10 and 11 school exams
June 27 – Biology 30 Diploma exam – a.m.
June 28 – Physics 30 Diploma exam - a.m.
June 28 – Grade 12 graduation
- Report card pick up until noon
September 4 – First day of 2018-2019 school year

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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Athletics Schedule

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Athletics Calendar:

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

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.

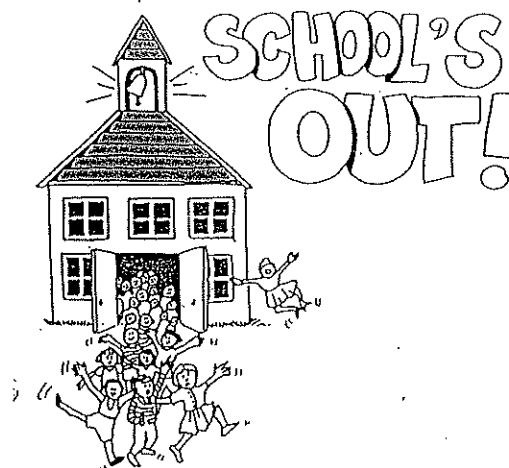
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Cinnamon Buns – 2



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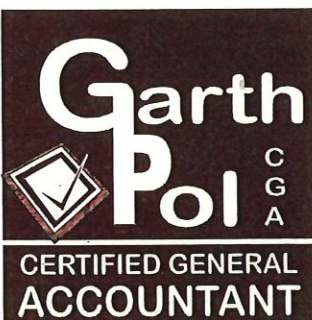


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