

First Lutheran Christian Academy

# Tuesday Note

February 7, 2017

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Isaiah 40:31

#### HOW YOU CAN HELP US GROW

It is the time of the year when parents begin to compare elementary schools in which to enrol their children. All across the city, schools are preparing for their open houses and kindergarten registration. We need your assistance in helping our school's enrolment to grow.

- The very best way that you can assist us is by becoming an "ambassador" for FLCA. Time and again, people have told us that they have heard about our school through word of mouth. When you endorse our school in your conversations with your family, friends and co-workers you are providing an invaluable promotion for us. You have been great supporters in the past and we rely on you to continue to advance our cause.
- In the coming days, an ad will appear on our Facebook page. <u>Please share our ad with all of your</u> <u>Facebook friends</u>. There is no better way for us to publicize the benefits of an FLCA education, than through your endorsement.
- 3. Later this week, we will be sending home a brochure with each one of our students. If you would <u>share</u> that brochure directly with a family of school-aged <u>children</u>, the results could be tremendous. We will have additional brochures, as well as posters, available in the school office. If you could <u>distribute</u> some of those in your daily travels (workplace, medical offices, stores, salons, etc.) the outreach would help us to disseminate information about us throughout the area. You can be our hands and feet, our advocates, our modern day missionaries.

4. We would also like your help on the day of our Open House. We need volunteers to serve as greeters as well as human resources, who can tell perspective parents all of the things that you love about our school.

Please prayerfully consider all of these requests and then help us to spread the word and share the good news.



<u>Tuesday, February 21, 2017</u> 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Please encourage any friends, relatives or neighbours with school-aged children to attend and to learn about our wonderful school.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Tuesday, February 7, 2017

• Chess Club 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, February 8, 2017

- Chapel Service 8:30 a.m.
- Girls' Basketball Team Practice 3:30 5:00 p.m.

#### Monday, February 13, 2017

Boys' Basketball Team Practice
 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**February 16** Basketball Tournament at ASCIS

**February 17** Effective Speaking

**February 20** Family Day – No School

February 21 Open House

February 28 Canadian Chess Challenge

**February 28** Second Term Report Card Day

March 1 Ash Wednesday

March 2 Parent Teacher Interviews (p.m.)

March 3 Parent Teacher Interviews (a.m.)

March 3 P.A. Day – No school for

students

Mar. 6 – 17 March Break

March 12 Daylight Saving Time begins

March 24 Dental Screening



### **EFFECTIVE SPEAKING**

All of our students from Grade 1 through Grade 8 are beginning their preparations for their Effective Speaking Units. Each student will participate in the "in-class" presentations, and three children from each grade will be chosen to take part in the Effective Speaking Competition which will be held in the Chapel on **Friday, February 17**. We're looking forward to hearing from our "amazing orators" once again!



# **BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

Our basketball teams are continuing to practise for the annual tournament which will take place at Academie Ste. Cecile on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Go Eagles!



# MADAGASCAR MISSION

Thank you so much for your support of our On-line Mission Trip to Madagascar. Encouraging and reinforcing mission-mindedness is an important part of our "mission" here at FLCA. The Out of Uniform Day raised **\$200** for missions in Madagascar. A substantial amount of goods were collected for the Downtown Mission.

Here's a glimpse at how God worked through this eye-opening experience.

- ❖ 558 individuals signed up from
- 461 schools, home-schools and Sunday school classes which means
- 50,000 estimated students participated
- ❖ 400 estimated videos downloaded daily, as well as an average of
- ❖ 500 videos streamed per day
- ❖ 22,933 milk banks used by schools to raise support towards the
- \$30,000 goal to fund ministry in Madagascar
- and an expanding presence on Facebook and social media



Your Partner in HIS mission

## **FAMILY DAY**

The provincial government has designated Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, as Family Day. There will be no school on that day. Enjoy your family time together!



## **2016 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**

Beginning Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, these will be available for pick-up in the Academy office. Unclaimed receipts will be placed in the mail on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. Every year at this time, we have questions from parents regarding the nature of tax receipts issued by FLCA, particularly those involving portions of tuition paid which may be eligible for consideration as donations. Simply stated, the Canada Revenue Agency allows private schools to issue tuition tax receipts according to the following policy:

"A private school that is registered as a charity and offers both secular and religious education, at the elementary or secondary school level, can only issue an official donation receipt to the parents or guardian of a student for the religious education."

In order to determine the amount of the tuition paid which is eligible as above, the yearly cost of the secular (non-religious) portion of instruction is calculated according to CRA guidelines. The difference between the tuition paid in the calendar year (minus any payments for preschool, childcare or before and after school care which are receipted in full) and the "family cost" of secular education is then eligible to be issued as a donation receipt for religious education.

Please note that the largest receiptable amounts are generated for "first or only" children in a family, since they are invoiced at the full tuition amount. "Second and subsequent" children in a family are invoiced at 65% of the tuition rate, thus minimizing the difference between tuition paid and the actual cost of secular education (which is the same for all students). While the receiptable amount is less in this case, the family benefits at the outset by the reduced tuition rate.

You will receive several receipts in your package this year: a) Tuition Donation Receipt, b) Tuition Paid Receipt, c) Child Care Receipt, d) Before and After School Care Receipt, e) Donation Receipt (if applicable) and f) Olympic Donation Receipt (if applicable). If you have any questions and concerns, please don't hesitate to talk to us in the Academy Office.

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