

Tuesday Note

February 14, 2017

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:34 - 35

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. **Please share our ad with all of your Facebook friends**. There is no better way for us to publicize the benefits of an FLCA education, than through your endorsement.
- ❖ Today, we will be sending home a brochure with each one of our students. If you would **share that brochure directly with a family of school-aged children**, the results could be tremendous. We will have additional brochures, as well as posters, available in the school office. If you could **distribute 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.

- ❖ 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 they love about our school.**

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

- Final Chess Club 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

- Chapel Service 8:30 a.m.
- Boys' & Girls' Basketball Team Scrimmage 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 16, 2017

- Basketball Tournament at ASCIS

Friday, February 17, 2017

- Effective Speaking Competition 9:00 a.m.

Monday, February 20, 2017

- Family Day – No School

EFFECTIVE SPEAKING

All of our students from Grade 1 through Grade 8 have completed their preparations for their Effective Speaking Units. Each student has participated 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!

CONTEST SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M.

Grades 4, 3, 2, & 1

10:00 A.M.

Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8



BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

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



CABANA ROAD

For the next eight weeks, there will be periodic lane closures on Cabana Road East, between Howard Avenue and Provincial Road. A new gas main will be installed as part of the Cabana Road Corridor Improvements. This may affect travel to and from school for some of our families.

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, February 21, 2017
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.

FAMILY DAY

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



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 21	Open House
February 22	Board of Directors
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

CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 14

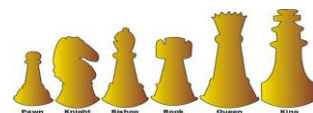
Chess Club 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

No Chess Club

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Canadian Chess Challenge



2016 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Until Friday, February 17th, these will be available for pick-up in the Academy office. Unclaimed receipts will be placed in the mail on that day. 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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ENROLMENT FOR 2017 -2018

As we welcome new families to our Open House, it is important that we know the wishes of our current families for next year. Before we enrol new children, we want to ensure that our current families are accommodated. This is of particular importance for Junior and Senior Kindergarten aged children (those born in 2012 and 2013), although we ask that all families complete this form. If you have not already done so, please complete and return this form as soon as possible

OPTION 1

It is our intent that our child(ren) _____, _____,
_____, _____ attend First Lutheran Christian Academy for the
2017-2018 school year.

Parent's Name

OR

OPTION 2

Unfortunately, our child(ren),) _____, _____,
_____, _____ will not attend First Lutheran Christian Academy
for the 2017-2018 school year.

Parent's Name

OR

OPTION 3

We are unsure whether our child(ren) _____, _____,
_____, _____ will attend First Lutheran Christian Academy for
the 2017-2018 school year.

Parent's Name