

First Lutheran Christian Academy

Tuesday Note

February 20, 2018

Be with us through this season, Lord, and all our earthly days That when the final Easter dawns, we join in heaven's praise.

## **EFFECTIVE SPEAKING RESULTS**



Last Thursday morning, we were treated to some excellent poetry recitals, demonstrations and original speeches during our Effective Speaking Competition for Grades 1 through 8. All of our contestants showed poise and enthusiasm for their subjects. Congratulations to our winners:

Primary

Winner: Nathan Chen Runner-up: Jayden Johnson

Junior

Winner: Claire Grona Runner-up: Kaitlynn Roy

Intermediate	Winner: Justin Yim Runner-up: Tony Pilutti
Senior	Winner: Jill Pilutti Runner-up: Ava Mammarella

## **BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

The WECSA Basketball Tournament will take place at **tomorrow**, **Wednesday**, **February 21**<sup>st</sup>, at Academie Ste. Cecile. Go Eagles!





# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### Tuesday, February 20

• Chess Club 3:30 – 4:30

### Wednesday, February 21

- Chapel 8:30 a.m.
- WECSA Basketball Tournament at ASC

### Thursday, February 22

- FLCA Open House 9 11 a.m., 5:30 7 p.m.
- Friday, February 23
  - First Lutheran Church Junior Youth Group

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 27	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term Report Cards
February 27	Canadian Chess Challenge
March 1	Parent-Teacher Interviews (evening)
March 2	Parent – Teacher Interviews (morning)
March 2	P.A. Day (No School)
March 5 – 16	March Break
March 11	Daylight Saving Time begins
March 21	Health Unit Dental Screening
March 25	Palm Sunday
March 29	Maundy Thursday (No School)
March 30	Good Friday (No School)
April 2	Easter Monday (No School)
April 24	Grade 7 Hep B & Meningitis Inoculations
May 2	Grade 6, 7 & 8 trip to Stratford
May 9	Gauss Math Contest
May 10	Ascension Day
May 13	Mother's Day



### <u>Thursday, February 22, 2018</u> <u>9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.</u>

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

### FLCA FAMILY OPEN HOUSE CHALLENGE - GET A FREE LUNCH & DRINK

As we have said in the past, word of mouth is the best way to encourage others to explore FLCA as an educational option for their children. You are our best advertisements, our best boosters and our not-so-secret weapons.

- 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 <u>endorse our school in your</u> <u>conversations with your family, friends and co-workers,</u> 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.
- 2. Our ads are running on our Facebook page! <u>Please share our ad with all of your 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 that</u> <u>brochure directly with a family of school-aged 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 some of those in</u> <u>your daily travels (workplace, medical offices, stores, salons, churches, etc.)</u>, 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 <u>the day of our Open House. We need volunteers to serve as greeters as well as</u> <u>human resources, who can tell perspective parents all of the things that they love about our school</u>.

We want to say "Thank you" for you help with promoting our school, not just with words but in a more tangible way. If you promote FLCA in any of the ways outlined above, just let us know, and each of the students in your family will receive a free lunch and drink voucher which will be place in their lunch file in the office. \* They will be free to use it to order any lunch and drink over the remainder of the school year. \*Please share as often as you like, but we will only be able to afford one lunch and drink per student.

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



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## 2017 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS



Beginning at the end of the school day tomorrow, Wednesday, Feb. 21st, these will be available for pick-up in the Academy office until Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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 (nonreligious) 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.** 

## 2<sup>ND</sup> TERM REPORT CARDS

**Term 2 report cards will be sent home Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.** If you wish to have an interview with your child's teacher, please telephone the Academy office and we'll be happy to set up an appointment for you. Interview times are between **3:45 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, and again on Friday morning, March 2<sup>rd</sup>, between 9:00 a.m. and 12 noon.** If neither of these days is convenient for you, another time can be arranged with the classroom teacher.



## WINTER OLYMPICS CHALLENGE



The Olympic pledge total is now over **\$4,100**. Thank you for your support.

## **IT'S A GIRL!**

Congratulations and God's richest blessings to Tim and Sarah (née Khan, class of '99) Eric upon the birth of little Aria. She was born on February 14<sup>th</sup>, her grandmother, Mrs. Khan's wedding anniversary, weighing 7 lbs. 2 oz. She looks a lot like her big sister Amyrah.



## ENROLMENT FOR 2018 -2019

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 2013 and 2014), 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
2018-2019 school year.	
	Parent's Name
	OR
OPTION 2	
Unfortunately, our child(ren), )	,,
,,	will not attend First Lutheran Christian Academy
for the 2018-2019 school year.	
	Parent's Name
	OR
OPTION 3	
We are <u>unsure</u> whether our child(ren)	
	will attend First Lutheran Christian Academy for
the 2018-2019 school year.	
	Parent's Name