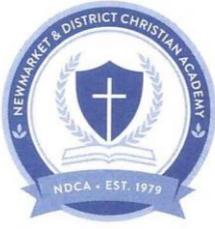


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As we come to the end of October, we can all feel a change in the temperature. While we may warm up a bit still, the last few weeks have had some below seasonal temperatures. Please remember to make sure that all your child(ren)'s hats, gloves/mittens and snow pants have their names on them as we move into November.

We had Dwane Copson, Youth Pastor at Grace Church as our chapel speaker today – he spoke with us about the importance of our words and how they can be used to build others up or put them down. If you have a Youth Pastor or Children's Pastor at your church whom you think would be happy to share at an NDCA Chapel, please forward their contact information to me.

Peanut Safety

As we continue to endeavour to provide a peanut safe school at NDCA I am reminding you of our request that no candy be sent to school as snack or dessert for lunches. At this time of year when small chocolate bars and candy are in abundance, we want to continue to closely monitor that no peanut products are inadvertently sent to school.

Operation Christmas Child 'Shoebbox Gift program'

We hope to have shoeboxes and instructions in the office by this week and would be happy to give each family one (or more) to fill as a family. These shoeboxes, when filled, can be brought back to the school or you can take them to your home church if they are participating in the program. If you choose to return your box to NDCA. These filled shoe boxes are due back to NDCA by **Friday, November 13.**

"Virtual Cross-Country Race' this year

Thank you to Ms MacLachlan and Mr. Olsen for organizing the NDCA component of this year's ACSI cross country run. On Friday afternoon last week all students from grades 3 – 8 walked over to the Newmarket Fairgrounds where they competed for 'their best times' in a 1 km run (Gr. 3/4), 2 km run (Gr. 5/6) and a 3 km run (Gr. 7/8). These run times were then forwarded to the ACSI event co-ordinator who will input all the times from all participating schools and our students will see how our school did competing in this Virtual race this year. Everyone had a great time, physical distancing by cohorts was honoured and some parents were able to attend as spectators.

In partnership with you,
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Upcoming Events

October 30 – Teddy Bear Day (JK to Grade 2)
November 6 - P.A. Day (no school)
November 9 – Picture Re-take and Graduation Photo Day
November 11 – Remembrance Day
November 27 – Progress Report Cards go home
December 3 – Parent Interviews after school and evening
December 4 a.m. – Parent Interviews 1/2 day (no school)
December 4 p.m. – P.A. 1/2 day (no school)
December 10 – Christmas Concert
December 18 – Awards Assembly (details to follow)
December 21 – January 1 – Christmas Holiday

Loonies for Literacy

Just a reminder that our ***Loonies for Literacy*** 'dress down' days are every other Friday (for the most part) starting the first week of school. The dates for the rest of the year are; **Nov. 13, 27, Dec. 11, Jan. 8, 22, Feb. 5, 19, 26, March 5, 26, April 9, 23, May 7, 21, and June 4, 18.**

Just a reminder about Parking/Pick up and Drop off

As we continue to streamline our drop off and pick up routines and do our best to support physical distancing at the beginning and end of our days, we ask that any family with children in grades 3-8 (and younger siblings) to use the lower parking lot and lower driving loop each day. Families with children in grades JK – 2 (with no older siblings) to use the upper parking area and the upper driving loop.

The upper parking lot is used by the church during the day, it is perfect for our youngest students without older siblings.