



# *Community Christian School*

*“Learning with the Love of the Lord”*



January 25, 2010

Dear Parents

Because our world is broken, many children and adults experience physical, emotional or sexual abuse. We need to teach children to recognize abuse and give them strategies to deal with potentially dangerous situations. This is very much a question of personal safety and the students need to be informed. Just as we teach our children what to do in case of a fire, we must also teach them what to do in case of abuse from strangers as well as from someone they know.

With this desire to keep our students safe, Community Christian School requires that abuse awareness and prevention be taught in each classroom every two years. The abuse awareness unit is included in the Health/ES curriculum. As with all subjects taught at CCS, we begin with what the Biblical perspective is: that is, God's good intentions for our bodies and how, since the Fall, this has been corrupted. Using age-appropriate activities children will

- realize that they are created in God's image and worthy of love and respect.
- recognize abusive behaviours and their effects on victims.
- learn ways to protect themselves.
- identify trusted adults who can help them.

Attached you will find the outline for the lessons that each teacher will be teaching during the weeks of **February 1-5**. We encourage you to discuss this with your children after each lesson.

The resources we will be using are:

1. The Bible
2. Safe Keeping: Session Plans for Developing Abuse Awareness in Kids  
© 2006 Faith Alive Christian Resources  
-This includes 6 picture books
  1. My Body Belongs to You
  2. My Body is Private
  3. I Can Be Safe
  4. Is It Right to Fight
  5. A Tale Worth Telling
  6. The Right Touch
3. Now You Are the Body of Christ, Part 3,  
District 11, CSI (Teacher's Resource)

If you have any questions please contact the school or the appropriate teacher.

In His Service,  
Gayle Freeburn  
Principal

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **Scholastic Book Orders** are attached and due Wednesday, Feb. 3.
2. **Hot Lunch Order** for those who order monthly is attached and due Monday, Feb. 1.
3. **Parents in Prayer** will meet Monday, Feb. 1 at CCS. Please contact Di N with any requests.
4. **Snow shoveling:** this week: Carter, Tia, Rachel next week – Stefan, Jamie, Callum

**HUGS AND KISSES FOR HAITI:** please see attached sheet for how you can support our Kindergarten class's effort to help those affected by the earthquake in Haiti.



## CLASSROOM NEWS

### Grade 5/6

**Bible:** Independent Study on Miracles due Friday, Feb. 5.

**Math:** test on Tuesday, Jan. 26 on Graphing and Data Management

### Grade 7/8

**B.E.S.:** test on Tuesday, Jan. 26. Gr. 7 – Verbs Gr. 8 - Pronouns

**Math:** test on Fractions on Wednesday, Jan. 27.

**Literature:** test on Thursday, Jan. 28.

**Basketball Tournament:** Friday, Jan. 29. A letter with details will come home on Tuesday.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Just Kiddin' Theatre presents "JAMES BLOND GETS SMART"**

March 5-7, 2010, Old Metcalfe Town Hall, 8243 Victoria Street, Metcalfe

Join our company of young performers as we pay homage to our favorite spies of the 60's in this globe-trotting es-spy-cade that is sure to entertain the whole family. Meet Maxine Smart, daughter of the legendary Maxwell Smart, trying to carry on the family name. "Try" is the operative word as she and British Intelligence agent James Blond are determined to prove who is the better spy while saving the world from imminent disaster. Tickets \$6. Visit [www.justkiddintheatre.com](http://www.justkiddintheatre.com) to purchase online or order tickets through members of the cast and crew.