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BE FEARLESS

The theme we have chosen to focus on as a school community this year is "Be Fearless". Each classroom uses this theme to guide discussion and study God's Word through monthly scriptures. Our key verse comes from Joshua 1:9: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go" (NLT). We all have things that come at us in our day-to-day lives, but do not fear. This verse offers hope! We have been called to follow the Lord, and to be obedient to the Word of God. When we do this, our strength comes from Him, not from within. When we choose to obey, the Lord promises to be with us wherever we go. While we might not know how that journey will play out, we can trust that the Lord is faithful.



SCHOOL PICTURES

Picture day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8th for grades 1—7 students and the Kindergarten Tues/ Thurs class. Wednesday, October 9th for the Kindergarten Mon/Wed class and the grades 8—12 students. If students are absent on picture day, they will have an opportunity to have their photo taken on retake day during the morning of Tuesday, November 5th.

EARLY SIGN-OUT POLICY

Parents/Guardians need to send a note with the student to be excused early from class to give to the child's teacher, and parents/guardians must also phone the school office. The time and reason for leaving should be included. The parent or authorized person MUST report to the main school office – located in the lobby – and sign the student(s) out. There is a sign-out sheet and pen located on the counter at the window, which MUST be signed when the student leaves and also when they return (if the student is returning to class afterwards).

This is for the safety of our students and we greatly appreciate your cooperation. *Parents/Guardians must sign for students in Kindergarten – Grade 8. Students in grades 9 – 12 may sign themselves out with a parent note or phone call.*

For Grades 9-12 students this does NOT apply to the lunch hour. They are not required to sign out if they are heading to the mall for lunch. Only K-8 students need to sign out at that time, as they aren't supposed to leave during lunch without permission.

VOLUNTEERS

At various times throughout the school year, we need Parent Volunteers and we would love to have your help. To be involved in your child's classroom, assisting on field trips, coaching, fundraising within the school, or helping with the PTA, you need to have a Police Information Check (PIC) done. You will need a letter from our school office to bring with you to the Regina Police Station downtown, along with two pieces of government issued ID. There is a \$10 fee at Regina Police for this service. Once you have been cleared, we will receive a letter from the Regina Public School Board letting us know. You will also need to have a signed 'Reporting Criminal Charges Form' on file here at the school. You can find these files on our website under Policies & Forms, and then Volunteers, or you

IMPORTANT DATES

<u>October 3</u> Fall Coffee House Gr. 8-12

October 4 Staff Development Day (No school for ALL students)

October 5 Jr. Girls Volleyball Tournament

October 7, 21, 28 School Prayer 8:50-9:30

October 8 School Pictures grades 1— 7 and KB

October 9 School Pictures grades 8— 12 and KA

October 10—11 SLC Retreat

October 14 Thanksgiving (No school for Staff and Students)

October 17 CSI Pep Rally 2:20-3:20

October 18 Teacher's Convention (No School ALL Students)

October 18-19 Christian School Invitational Volleyball Tournament

October 22 RSO Performance 9:15 am

October 24 Bible Club Cut Off K-8 HS Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 PM

October 25 HS Parent/Teacher Conferences 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

October 30 Canadian Christian University Tour Gr. 9-12

October 31 Pita Lunch

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Just a reminder that we are a Nut-Free School. Please do NOT send any nut products to school with your students. We have a few students with severe nut allergies so this is VERY important!



ABSENT & LATE CALLS:

Remember that it is very important to call the school office at 306-569-1935 and leave a message if your child will be late or absent. Please leave the child's name, grade, and the reason they will be absent. A message can be left anytime, day or night. You MUST call the office, even if you have let the teacher know. Thank you for your cooperation.



can stop by the school office at anytime and we will get you what you need before you go, so that you don't end up having to go twice! The Police Information Request Form gives us the information we need to create the letter for you to bring with you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

A reminder to check our school's website if you are unsure of dates, looking for the monthly scripture, newsletter, or calendars, and much more — www.harvestcitychristianacademy.com

PARENT AND STUDENT PORTAL

Using the Powerschool Parent Portal, parents and guardians can access information online regarding their child's grades, as well as the students' attendance and lates. It is a fabulous tool that helps us strengthen the communication between school and home. Parent Portal is available for students in Grades 6—12. Student Portal is available to all High School students. If you have not set up your Powerschool account yet, the school is able to assist you with this. However, you will need to stop by the school office, as this information can only be given in person. There is also a Powerschool app that you can download to your smart phone, which makes it even simpler to keep up to date! We have also placed links on the homepage of our school website

<u>www.harvestcitychristianacademy.com</u> to make it as simple as possible to access. We will no longer be printing grade-sheets for each HS class as all of this information is visible at any time on Parent Portal.

SCHOOL PRAYER

Calling all Parents/Guardians/Grandparents/Friends to join us every Monday morning when there is school. We are a group of parents/guardians/staff etc. who believe that prayer is powerful and effective. Anyone is welcome to join us and we would love to grow our group. We meet on Mondays from 8:50—9:30 am in the Preschool area. Young children are welcome to come along with you. There is space for them to play.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

The grade 8 class will be organizing the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoeboxes this year. A note went home with students with more info. Boxes will be available on October 10th and all filled boxes need to be returned to the school by November 15th at the latest. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Tara Yemba at tara.yemba@hccmail.ca.

STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK-UP/AND PARKING

This is an important reminder regarding student drop off in the morning. In our efforts to ensure the safety of all of our students, we ask that you follow the procedures we have outlined. Please pass this information along to any friends or family that may be transporting your child(ren) to school. See pictures below for clarification.

For Grades K – 7 students: Students in Gr. K-7 **MUST** be dropped off by going through the drop off lane that is marked with pylons. We would ask that you **DO NOT** allow your child to walk across the parking lot or walk across the drop off lane. Students should exit the vehicle in the drop off lane and go through one of the two openings in the fence marked **Student Drop Off.**

For students in grades 8-12: As they are permitted to enter the front doors, you can drop them off **on 8th Avenue North.** We would ask that you refrain from using parking stalls or pulling into the parking lot in the front, as it can get congested and we have had challenges with this in the past. If you absolutely need to get close to the entrance (ie. child has an injury that makes walking difficult), please remember that all stalls marked RESERVED are not to be used, only the 4 visitor spots would be permitted.

Upon pick-up, we would also ask that you use extreme caution when driving in the back North

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parking lot as kids are walking to their vehicles. *The drop off lane is blocked afterschool from 3:25—3:50 pm in order to ensure the safety of all students walking to their vehicles.* Please use the alley entrance/exit and use extreme caution when driving through the parking lot, as children are excited to get home and may not be watching for cars. Especially for younger children, it is ideal that parents could escort their child to the vehicle. For older students, it would also be good to remind them to have at least one ear-phone out if they are listening to music to allow them to hear any approaching vehicles.

Just a reminder that K-7 students are to be picked up in the North parking lot by the playground. Supervision ends at 3:45 and after that, any students in Grades K-4 will be taken to the after-school program. There is a charge for this and families will be invoiced accordingly. Older siblings are not permitted to supervise younger siblings after school. K-4 students MUST be in the after-school program.

Thank you for your cooperation in this very important safety matter. See pictures below for visual instructions;





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RDIEC CAREER SPOTLIGHTS

Grades 10—12 students can participate in various Regina and District Industry Education Council (RDIEC) activities in specific career areas. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Deanna Cook at Deanna.cook@hccmail.ca.

October 9 — Royal Canadian Mounted Police (submit registration forms by October 2)

October 23 — STEM — Business Information Systems, Computer Engineering Technology and Engineering Design & Drafting Technology (submit registration forms by October 15)

October 30 — Entrepreneurship 101 — Be Your Own Boss (submit registration forms by October 21)

POST-SECONDARY PLANNING

October 3 — Luther College Open House from 7:00-9:00 PM

October 8 — Queen's Presentation- Harvest City Christian Academy- We have Queen's University from Kingston, ON presenting to interested high school students from 11:15-12:15 in the grade 12 room.

October 19 — University of Regina Open House and Admission on the Spot- University of Regina





POST-SECONDARY PLANNING CONT.

October 19 — University of Alberta Open House

October 25 — CMU Open House

October 30 — Canadian Christian University Tour- Harvest City Christian Academy- We have six Canadian Christian universities (Providence, Trinity Western, CMU, King's College, Ambrose, and Booth) presenting to grades 9-12 students from 1:15-2:15 in the library.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

October 17 — Loran Scholar Award October 25 — Horatio Alger Canadian Scholarship

ATHLETICS

October 5 — Junior Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Harvest City Christian Academy October 18-19 — Senior Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Harvest City Christian Academy October 25-26 — Senior Girls Volleyball Tournament @ LCBI in Outlook November 2 — Senior Boys Volleyball Tournament @ Harvest City Christian Academy

OTHER

October 9 — Picture Day for Grades 8-12 October 31 — Pita Lunch

SLC

October 3 — Fall Coffee House (Grades 8-12) October 9 — FCC Food Drive deadline — drop off your non-perishable food for the Regina Food Bank. Our goal is to beat HCCA's 2019 goal of 800 pounds of food collected.

October 10-11 — ACSI Student Leadership Conference at Dallas Valley (SLC Executive Council)

October 17 — CSI Pep Rally — 2:15-3:20 — Wear **BLUE** and **GOLD** to cheer on your Senior Girls' Volleyball team in our home tournament.

October 17 — Elementary Menchies Sale (order forms and money are due October 11)

October 15-25 — Reaper Clothing Sale — order forms will go home soon. Clothing kits will be available after school by the gymnasium.

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Our school is in need of some new members to serve on our PTA. If you feel like you could serve in this way please let us know.

HIGHLIGHTS

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