



Welcome to the new school year! Our theme for the 2023-24 school year is "Stand Firm in the Gospel of Jesus Christ." This theme embodies the values of faith, steadfastness, and unity, as we seek to commit ourselves to the teachings of Christ. As we embark on this educational journey together, let us remember that with a strong foundation in the gospel, we can overcome any challenges that come our way. Let's support one another and pray for one another as we grow in knowledge and in our faith. Here's to a year of learning, growing, and standing firm in the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Elementary School Supplies

The cost of elementary school supplies has increased to \$45 this year, due to price increases all around. We ask that your amount owing be paid by the end of this month. You can either pay by cash or cheque at the office, or there is an option to e-transfer the amount to kim.vanb@houstonchristianschool.ca (please put 'school supplies' and your name in the memo. Thank you!

Permission Slips

Every new school year we ask each family to sign a general field trip permission form. Only one form is needed per family as you will list all of your children on one form. This permission slip covers all "regular, low risk" field trips for the full school year. You will still be informed of when your children are leaving campus, but you won't need to sign a permission slip every time. Please look for the purple permission slip in the backpack of your youngest child and return it to school as soon as possible.



What's Happening at HCS?

- September 28 (Thursday) - Superhero Day - Dress as your favourite 'Caped Crusader'
- September 28 (Thursday) - Individual & Class Photo Day
- October 2 (Monday) - Day for Truth & Reconciliation Observance - NO SCHOOL

HCS Apparel Webstore

Our online webstore is open for the month of September. Click [here](#) for our webstore, or visit smokescreengraphics.com>webstores>HCS School Clothing



HCS app - a new school year means you need to re-subscribe!

New classes and groups have been created on the HCS app and so we ask that all parents and high school students be sure to subscribe to those that apply to them.

- Choose the Classes tab, then tap the gear icon (top right) to select your Classes (e.g. Grade 5).
- Choose the Groups tab, then tap the gear icon (top right) to select your Groups (e.g. Athletics).

If at any point a new class or group is created, we will be sure to let you know to subscribe.

Fit to Flourish

Joining a sports team not only fosters teamwork, discipline, and leadership but also promotes physical well-being. Regular physical activity is essential for maintaining a healthy body and mind, and participating in school sports is a fun and engaging way to achieve this. So, whether you're a seasoned athlete or just looking to try something new, we encourage you to consider joining a school sports team. It's a chance to make new friends, build your skills, and keep your health in top shape. Let's make this school year the most active and healthy one yet!





Mr. Ewald's Outdoor Education class visited the Equity ice falls on one of their first outings of the semester.



Buy Low gift cards are available for purchase in the office. This is a great fundraiser for the school, as we profit 10% of all card sales. We try to make it easy for you by ensuring that we always have plenty of cards in stock. We accept cash, cheque and e-transfer. (Please allow 24 hours after your e-transfer to pick up your cards.)

E-transfer address :
groceries@houstonchristianschool.ca