

Branches a school to home newsletter

September 22, 2023



September Reminders

There are still a number of families who owe for elementary student school supplies. The cost is \$45/student in Grade K – 6. We ask that your amount owing be paid by the end of the 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).

 September 30th is the last day to place your order on the online webstore. Click <u>here</u> for our webstore, or visit smokescreen graphics.com > webstores > HCS School Clothing

Truth and Reconciliation Assembly

Please note that there will be no Thursday morning worship on September 28th due to our student photo day. Instead, we will hold an all-school assembly on Friday, September 29th, at 8:40 am in honour of Truth and Reconciliation Day. HCS will observe Orange Shirt Day on this day as well. Hope to see you there!



As we move forward into this school year, we would like to take a moment to officially welcome a valuable member to our Admin Team. Cindy Vellekoop, who previously served as a teacher here, has taken on this important role as well as that of Inclusive Education Coordinator.

At the same time, we express our heartfelt sympathies to Cindy and her husband, Pastor Martin, as Cindy's mother passed away on Wednesday. Our thoughts and prayers are with Cindy and her family during this time. May they find hope and comfort in the arms of our Heavenly Father, in this time of loss.

What's Happening at HCS?

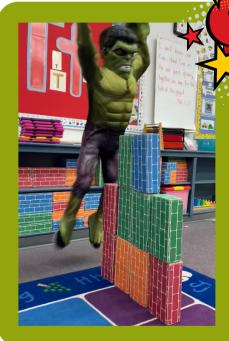
September 28 (Thursday) -September 29 (Friday) -October 2 (Monday) -October 4 (Wednesday) -October 5 (Thursday) -

Individual & Class Photo Day Assembly at 8:40am/Orange shirt day at HCS Day for Truth & Reconciliation Observance - NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Worship Night - 7 pm "Secrets of Discipline" presentation by Ronald Morrish at Bethel URC in Smithers - 7:30 pm

Lifetouch Canada has recently notified us that due to a staffing shortage they **will not be returning to the north to offer photo retakes**. We ask that you please prioritize your child's attendance on this day.







Superhero Day at school was a blast! It was fun to see so many of the students and teachers dressed up as their favourite heroes, spreading joy throughout the halls.



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Elementary and Middle School students enjoyed an Agricultural Day at the local rodeo grounds. The day was filled with hands-on experiences that allowed the students to get up close and personal with farm animals, learn about planting crops, practice roping a calf, and learn about general agriculture in our region. The event fostered an appreciation for all that the agricultural sector does for our community while instilling valuable lessons about the importance of farming in our society. It was a day filled with laughter and learning.



















