Avondale School

Toronto Campus

OPEN DAY

12 August 2015 | 2pm to 7pm
Corner Wangi Rd and Parkside Pde, Toronto

TORONTO CHURCH SERVICE
SATURDAY 22 AUGUST 2015

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Principal’s Message

One of the BIG reasons families choose our school is the family atmosphere and the fact that we ‘walk the talk’. Our teachers demonstrate our family values and the theme is woven into the fabric of the day.

On 12th August it is Open Day and we are planning to run a number of activities so you can come and join our campus. We will be keeping the classrooms open from the end of school till 6 pm so that working families have the opportunity to visit and look at our school. Maybe you can bring a friend.

This week we have been promoting Honesty across the school. Teaching honesty and truthfulness takes a considerable amount of time and patience, and it isn’t anything like teaching your kids how to tie their shoes, where they understand the basic concept after a few lessons. You’ll have to keep adding to their knowledge and practice for an extended period, but it is worth the effort.

‘Honesty REALLY IS the best policy.’

Enjoy the news for this week!!

Dr David Faull
Principal

General News

Book Week
Book Week is almost here and this year’s theme is ‘Books light up our world’. We are planning to participate in a Character Parade on 20 August. Now is the time to start preparing costumes. Most of our Book Week activities are to take place in the week 24-28 August due to the fact that we will be very busy preparing for the church service the week before. We look forward to participating in lots of fun activities in Book Week!

Fundraising
By purchasing some delicious treats such as lamingtons you have the opportunity to support our school. Order forms are being sent home today and your support would, once again, be very much appreciated. Please return your order forms to school by 21 August 2015. Thank you!

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015
This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all you need to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker for every $10 spent. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker sheet and when it’s complete, the sticker sheet can be dropped into the collection box here at the school's office. At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students - including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for art and craft, sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

Church Service
On Saturday, 22 August 2015 our school will be taking the church service at Toronto SDA Church. The children will be involved in the service in a variety of ways. We would love to see all of our students and their families in attendance. Toronto SDA Church kindly invites you to stay for lunch afterwards. Please add this important event to your diary.

Open Day
This year Open Day is next week on 12 August. You should have received some Avondale/Toronto advertising for this date. We have flyers specifically for Toronto as well. Our school will be open from 2-6pm for parents who may be working to pop in and chat. Please pick up flyers next week and give these to your friends or letterbox the area.

Awards

Students of the Week
Pre-Kindy - Isaac
K-2 - Tyler
3-6 - Benjamin

Kindness Award
Pre-Kindy - Peter
K-2 - Kayden
3-6 - Nicholas

Values Award (Honesty)
Pre-Kindy - Cooper
K-2 - Riley
3-6 - Tamar
**Pre-Kindy**

We want to give Grace, and her family, a very big welcome to our class. Grace started school this week and has settled in very well. She is familiar with our school because her big brother Musa attended Pre-Kindy here also.

In our alphabet time we learnt about the letters i, f and e. We ate Italian food, fish shaped crackers and chocolate eggs. We also made some yummy fresh bread, after we read the story, “The Little Red Hen”. Everyone loved it!

We have some very excited children learning their sight words this week. Well done! Each child has a little booklet if they want to learn some sight words. Just tackle one page at a time.

On Wednesday, Pre-Kindy took our school chapel program, and the children from Thursday's class made lots of video clips to introduce the different parts of our chapel. They also made a video clip about honesty, which was very well done.

On Wednesdays, we have 30 minutes in the garden. This week we planted some seedlings, and looked at the plants and how much they have grown. Sometimes it is a little trick to work out which plant is which.

We want to wish Lacee a very big Happy Birthday. Lacee turned five this week and we celebrated with some cute little tea cup biscuits at recess time. Yum.

This week we want to acknowledge all the hard work Nanna puts into our classroom. She faithfully comes along when the Kindy children visit our classroom for literacy and helps anyone in Pre-Kindy who needs a little help. We really appreciate you helping us Nanna.

Have a great week everyone!

To class news, the vegetable garden is growing nicely and we were able to harvest some carrots on Wednesday. We also fed the worms some very ‘gooey’ food made up of strawberries, bananas and other yummy stuff blended together.

**3-6**

It has been another busy week in our classroom. We have been working really hard to write a report about an animal. We discovered lots of interesting facts about giraffes and then planned and wrote about these wonderful creatures. Our teacher even showed us this really cool national park site on the internet (in South Africa) where we can be on the lookout for wild animals in their natural habitat. We had so much fun animal watching!

We continued to work hard in Maths to learn all about addition and subtraction. We have been amazed to find out that there are many ways to solve problems.

We had another great Bible study with Pr Brock this week. We all love learning about the Bible very much!

A great job everyone!

**K-2**

The value we are looking at this week is truthfulness.

Mrs Cameron is very happy to have her son return from Brazil this week. She took a car full of family and friends to welcome him back and even managed to embarrass him by yelling out his name as he appeared from customs. It is great to have him home and to hear him speak Portuguese so fluently. Learning another language has opened up so many doors for him now. He would love to go back to the village in the Amazon where he went in 2012 so he can talk with them in their own language.
Mr Drury is doing a fantastic job with our garden and we thank him for that.

Pr Rodney Woods was our speaker at chapel this week and he shared the story of Jesus and the parable of the sower. He shared with the students the meaning behind the story and had some very similar looking plants to show that were cauliflower and weeds. You couldn’t tell the difference. The gardener let them grow up together until it was harvest time and then they were separated. This is like the righteous and unrighteous. We are all growing up together in this world and it will be Jesus who judges us all at the final harvest, His return.

### Campus Information

#### Prayer Requests
We would like to encourage our school community to come together in prayer.

If you have any prayer requests, please feel free to let the staff know, so that we can include your request in our prayers.

#### Office Hours

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#### Calendar - Term 3

- Open Day: August 12
- Book Parade: August 20
- Toronto Church Service: August 22
- Book Week: August 24-28
- Newcastle Perm Maths Comp 5 & 6: August 26

#### School Term Dates 2015

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