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The P.A.C. Needs You!

If you are a parent of an A.C.S. student, please consider getting involved with the Parent Action Committee!

Many of our special school programs and events are made possible only because of P.A.C.-organized fundraisers and parent volunteers.

Money raised from the P.A.C. fundraisers covers the cost of memorable yearly highlights for our students, such as:

- Swimming Lessons,
- Ice Skating, and
- other all-school Field Trips, such as Science World.



In addition to fundraising, the P.A.C. is also responsible for:

- Hot Lunch,
- Food/Refreshments for school-wide events, concerts, picnics, etc.,
- Christmas Goody Bags,
- Community-building events, and
- Family Connections Program.



These aspects of our school are important to our families and students, and require parent volunteers to make them happen!

To get involved, attend one of the monthly P.A.C. meetings, or contact the school to be put in touch with a P.A.C. coordinator!



TELL YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS!



Registration for 2024-2025 is now open!

Applications are available on our website or at the office.

www.agassizchristianschool.com

An **inside**look

... into the Grade One classroom.

Getting Messy with Matter: Fun Experiments and Exciting Discoveries!

In our science unit on “Matter Around Us,” we delved into the fascinating world of materials and their properties. Students enthusiastically explored various substances, classifying them according to whether they were solid, liquid, or gas.

Through hands-on experiments, including the memorable creation of “Oobleck,” a non-Newtonian fluid, students experienced the concept of changes in matter. This engaging approach not only deepened their understanding of scientific concepts, but also sparked curiosity and excitement for learning. The children thoroughly enjoyed these activities, making our exploration of matter an unforgettable and enjoyable experience for all. One student exclaimed, “This is the messiest science ever! I love it!” Their enthusiasm highlights the engaging nature of our experiments. They were amazed at how Oobleck could change from a liquid to a solid and back again, illustrating the concept of reversible changes in matter.

By actively participating in these activities, students not only learned scientific principles, but also developed important skills, such as observation, prediction, and critical thinking. We were, once again, reminded of the remarkable detail in God’s creation as we marveled at the intricacies of matter around us.

While this unit was fun and engaging, there is still much more to learn about the properties of matter. In future units, we will explore how different materials are used by Indigenous peoples, connecting our scientific learning with cultural and historical perspectives.



Inspiring Creativity and Innovation: Grade One STEM Bin Time

I’m always amazed by the creativity of my Grade One students during their daily 20-minute STEM sessions. Their imaginative structures are full of surprises, with unique shapes and clever features. They collaborate and build on each other’s ideas, showing great teamwork. Watching them innovate and problem-solve at such a young age is truly inspiring and highlights their incredible imagination and emerging engineering skills. As a teacher, one of my favorite things to see is their amazing designs and ideas during STEM bin time.



An **inside**look ... our students' perspective ...



"What made me say, 'Wow!' about the 1980s was the drive-in movie theatre."

- Abigail L.



"I just like EVERYTHING about the 1980s!"

- Matilda R.



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' about the 2000s is that there was a Wii! I also had fun with the CD player and real CDs!"

- Willem K.



"My favourite thing about the 2000s were the Tech Deck toys, because there was a big ramp and I could make them do wheelies, and back flips!"

- Ezra V.



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' about the 1990s is that it was so different from now. A school day was different, and fashion was different."

- Paisley M.



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' about the 1990s is the fashion, and that my mom was a baby in the '90s."

- Aubree T.

Question of the Month:

"What makes you say, 'Wow!' about the decade your class presented for the school museum night?"



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' about the 1990s is that there were \$1000 bills, \$100 bills, and \$2 and \$1 bills. That is so cool."

- Jacob H.



"I say 'Wow!' about the 1960s when I think about the board games that were invented then that we still use today."

- Matthew P.



"I say, 'Wow!' about the 1960s when I think about how my grandpa used to go to this school."

- Bentley K.



"I say, 'Wow!' about the 1960s when I think about how phones and other things like cassette tapes and polaroid cameras were invented, and about the way people dressed."

- Elizabeth M.



"The music makes me say, 'Wow!' about the 1970s, and their slang words, like 'groovy', 'hip', 'chill', and 'dig it'. Also, the styles of clothes were amazing."

- Alessia H.



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' about the 1970s is the amount of items that were invented then that people still use to this day."

Justin M.

An **inside**look into ... what's happening.

The PAC

- Join our "Agassiz Christian School Parents" Facebook group for reminders and calls for volunteers.
- The next PAC meeting will be held **April 11 at 7:30 p.m.** All parents are welcome to attend!
- If you would like to help out at all throughout the year, please contact Kristin Te Brinke at 604-217-2126.



We Are Hiring ...

... for the 2024-2025 school year.
E.A. and part-time teaching positions available.

For more information, contact Judy at jdewaal@agassizchristianschool.com

Spread the Word! Applications are now being accepted for Preschool - Grade 7!

Important Dates to Remember

- March 1 - - - - - Skating (K-7)
- March 14 - - - - Solid Colour Dress-Up day (dress all in one colour)
- March 15 - - - - Skating (K-7)
- March 15 - - - - Report Card #2
- March 18-29 - Spring Break - School Closed
- April 1 - - - - - Easter Monday - School Closed
- April 11 - - - - - P.A.C. Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- April 18 - - - - Student-Led Conferences
- April 25 - - - - Grandparents Day **note change of date**
- April 26 - - - - Dress Like an Animal day



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