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Non-Uniform Day Raises \$703 for Pennies for Patients!

Congratulations to all the students for raising \$703 for Pennies for Patients at the last Non-Uniform Day! In order to raise this money the students did "extra work or odd jobs" at home, in exchange for a donation to the cause. Thank you to everyone for your support. Well done!

Venta Student Places 2nd at the Ottawa Regional Public Speaking Competition:

Congratulations to Christina Stellmacher for placing 2nd at the Ottawa Public Speaking Competition! Christina wowed the judges with her speech about "Betty Boop".

Science Fair - Friday, February 26:

A reminder that I parents are welcome to view the students' Science Fair projects which will be on display from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. on Friday. The awards ceremony will take place in Valerie Kluska Hall from 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

Again we would like to thank all the parents and companies who sponsored a special award for the Science Fair!

Art Fundraiser for Haiti - Thursday, February 25:

Mrs. Moore is participating in an art auction to raise funds for relief in Haiti. The auction is being held at The Swan in Carp on Thursday, February 25th from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to buy a piece of artwork from a local artist while supporting Haiti at the same time.

7th Annual Loonie Auction, Friday, April 16:

The Parent Fundraising Committee is pleased to announce that the 7th Loonie Auction will take place at the Carp Agricultural Hall from 4:40 - 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 16. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Children under the age of 6 are free.

Parents can support this auction two ways. 1. Attend the event and bid on items for as little as \$1. 2. Donate items to the auction.

There is a live auction of items such as cash, spa packages, gift certificates, IPOD's and , MP3 players for example. We also have a silent auction table that has included golf memberships, power tools and, Ottawa Senators memorabilia for example. Venta parents and families can contribute by requesting donations from employers and local businesses.

Do you have a favourite restaurant or spa that you frequent on a regular basis? Ask them to donate to the auction! All proceeds are going to fulfill this year's teachers' wish list! An example of one item on the list is to re-do the track and install weeping tiles in order to support our track

and field programme and our membership to the NCSSAA.

This is a great cause and we hope you can support us. You can find more information under the Quick Links section of this newsletter or on the Parent Committee Page of our web-site.

Members of the Parent Committee will sell tickets to the event at the Science Fair.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Mexican Exchange:

On Saturday, Feb. 27 six Venta students along with Mrs. Fowler and I will travel to Monterrey, Mexico to participate in the 2nd phase of our exchange.

We will join the AIM classes in the mornings and go on cultural excursions (and do some shopping!) in the afternoons.

Parents can see our itinerary by under the Quick Links on this page.

We return to Canada on March 8.

Last Update this Term:

Since I am accompanying the students to Mexico, this will be the last update parents will receive from me this term. If anything needs to be brought to your attention, Daphne Whiting will send you an e-mail.

If you have any questions, or need assistance while I am away, please feel free to contact Daphne. I will have minimal access to my e-mail while in Mexico.

Have a safe and fun March Break!



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