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**NEXT ISSUE**

March 30, 2011

**As we start the Lenten season  
and wind down the first part  
of the semester, we wish you  
all a safe March Break!**

**Administrative****PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT  
CONFERENCES****THURSDAY, MARCH 24****3:00 – 5:00 P.M. AND 6:00 - 8:30 P.M.****FRIDAY, MARCH 25TH****8:30 - 12:00 P.M.**

# CAMBRIDGE LIBRARIES FOOD AND DRINK POLICY CHANGE

BY MR. G. BESTER

Cambridge Libraries and Galleries strives to maintain a pleasant, welcoming and comfortable environment for our public. In an effort to make our facilities more inviting, while recognizing the value of the collections, equipment and furnishings, a new food and drink policy is being introduced effective March 2011.

The consumption of snacks and drinks in designated areas will be allowed subject to the following guidelines:

## WHO IS YOUR ADMINISTRATOR?

The administrative contact for your son or daughter is based on your last name:

A to F: [Mrs. Beaucage](#)

G to N: [Mr. Bellini](#)

O to Z: [Mrs. Leusink](#)

As always, feel free to contact our principal, [Mr. Witt](#).

- Snack items are permitted (any food eaten without utensils.) No group meals or deliveries are permitted.
- Covered drinks with lids are permitted. (No alcoholic drinks allowed.)
- Food and drinks are not permitted in restricted areas such as galleries, at computer stations and where signs are posted
- Patrons must be considerate of others and clean up after themselves. Patrons are encouraged to eat at tables close to the garbage and recycling receptacles provided. Please report any spills immediately to reduce long-term damage.
- Patrons refusing to follow food and drink guidelines will be asked to leave the premises.

## HATS AND CELL PHONES: PUT THEM AWAY, OR LOSE FOR A DAY!

Hats and cell phones should be off, and in student's lockers during the school day. Hats are not part of the school uniform, so they should not be worn in the school. Cell phones are distracting and hinder student progress, they should be off and put away.

Students who choose to wear hats or use cell phones in the school may have those items confiscated for the day and will be consequence.

## UNIFORMS

We remind students that non-uniform clothing is not permitted in the classrooms, and should be left in your locker. Pants and shorts are to be worn properly, not rolled.

## Academic

## ENRICHING THE LIVES OF STUDENTS

BY MRS. D. WITTMANN

### ABOUT TEDx

TEDx was created in the spirit of TED's mission, "ideas worth spreading". The program is designed to give communities, organizations and individuals the opportunity to stimulate dialogue through TED-like experiences at the local level.

At TEDx events, a screening of TEDTalks videos—or a combination of live presenters and TEDTalks videos—sparks deep conversation and connections. TEDx events are fully planned and coordinated independently, on a community-by-community basis.

### WHAT TO EXPECT AT TEDxWATERLOO 2011

An exciting, participatory and full day of inspiring speakers, great conversations, and terrific experiences. TEDxWaterloo isn't a one-way, solitary experience like reading a book or watching YouTube. Half the programming comes from our speakers and from specially chosen video TEDTalks. But the other half of the programming is you. Some of the best parts of any TED or TEDx event are the conversations you'll have in between, and we challenge you to come prepared to engage. We deliberately schedule generous breaks between presentations for conversation over catered snacks. Stretch your legs, share a coffee and introduce yourself to other attendees. Talk about the speakers, and spread some ideas of your own.

## **ABOUT TED**

TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading. It started out (in 1984) as a conference bringing together people from three worlds: Technology, Entertainment, Design. Since then its scope has become ever broader. Along with two annual conferences—the TED Conference in Long Beach and Palm Springs each spring, and the TEDGlobal conference in Oxford UK each summer—TED includes the award-winning TEDTalks video site, the Open Translation Project and Open TV Project, the inspiring TED Fellows and TEDx programs, and the annual TED Prize.

The annual TED conferences, in Long Beach/Palm Springs and Oxford, brings together the world's most fascinating thinkers and doers, who are challenged to give the talk of their lives (in 18 minutes). Attendees have called it "the ultimate brain spa" and "a four-day journey into the future." The diverse audience—CEOs, scientists, creatives, philanthropists—is almost as extraordinary as the speakers, who have included Bill Clinton, Bill Gates, Jane Goodall, Frank Gehry, Paul Simon, Sir Richard Branson, Philippe Starck and Bono.

## **HEY MATHIES, WANT TO TEST YOUR MATH SKILLS AND SHOW OFF TO ALL OF THOSE UNIVERSITIES?**

Waterloo's Euclid Math Contest for grade 12s is Tuesday, April 12th. The deadline to register for this contest is THIS Friday, March 11th. To register, please see Mr. Porto in Portable 8. Strong math students from grades lower than grade 12 may want to give this contest a try too.

## **Clubs & Athletics**

### **TRACK AND FIELD NEWS**

Another exciting year of Track and Field begins after March Break. All are welcome! See Mr. Wittmann for details.

**Sprint.  
Jump.  
Throw.  
Run.**

**TRACK AND FIELD IS LOTS OF FUN!**

**Caution:** Participating in Track and Field may make you so popular that Facebook could start charging you for excess traffic. While having fun in a social atmosphere, your fitness level may inadvertently improve. Side-effects may include boisterous enthusiasm and self-actualization.



## 2011 HOUSE LEAGUE BASKETBALL PROGRAM

THIS 10 SESSION PROGRAM IS DESIGNED FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ATTENDING A ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SECONDARY FEEDER SCHOOL.

No basketball experience is necessary.

Players must be prepared to learn, try their best and make new friends from other schools.

**Age Divisions:** Grades 4, 5, 6  
Sundays from 1pm to 2:30pm  
From April 3<sup>rd</sup> to May 29th

Grades 7,8  
Sundays from 2:30pm to 4pm  
From April 3<sup>rd</sup> to May 29th

**Note:** A detailed schedule will be given out at registration as there will be three Wednesday dates.

**Cost:** \$40

**Registration:** Wednesday, March 9, 2011  
7pm - 9pm  
St. Benedict Atrium  
(enter through front doors by the library)

**Program features**

- Emphasis is on developing solid fundamentals and basic principles of play in a fun and encouraging environment
- Fundamental stations and/or large group instruction emphasizing offensive moves and defensive footwork
- Daily League games and team competitions
- Will be grouped according to gender if numbers permit
- League T-shirt for each camper
- Certificate of Achievement
- Awards and Prizes

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**Coaching staff includes**  
John Malnerich,  
(Sr. Boys Coach)  
and  
Former and Current  
Senior St. Benedict  
Players

## Upcoming Events

**March 9:** Ash Wednesday liturgies  
**March 10:** Sears Showcase  
**March 14-18:** March Break  
**March 22:** Interim report distribution  
**March 24-25:** Conferencing  
**March 31:** EQAO Grade 10 Literacy Test  
**April 7:** Spring Dance, 6:30-10:30

**April 8:** Professional Activity Day  
**April 12:** Grade 12 Euclid Math Contest  
**April 13:** Grade 9-11 Math Contests

Be sure to check the calendar on the school website for more information. You can find it under **Benny's News > Calendar of Events.**

## Miscellaneous

### WE WANT TO KNOW...

Your opinions are important to us! Please [email us](#) with your comments and suggestions. If you like our newsletter, tell others; if you don't like it, tell us!

Check out our school website at <http://stbenedict.wcdsb.ca> for news and information updates.

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