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# Regent Christian Academy

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Each year from December through mid-March our school-wide focus is MISSIONS. Missions projects have a wonderful way of gathering the school community together around a common cause, producing unity of purpose and spirit. Missions teaches students the value of giving, helps them see the world through God's eyes, and nurtures a heart of compassion. Missions give students the opportunity to travel, to learn, and to serve. Missions has become a major component of Christian Schools throughout the world.

EACH DECEMBER, we look to our own back yard. This year we joined forces with our sponsoring church to provide over 100 food hampers to those less fortunate in Surrey. We then filled hundreds of stockings with needed supplies for the homeless people through *NightShift Ministries*. Our warm clothing drive provides needed clothing to those in our community who are without.

IN JANUARY, we turn our focus to international outreach. We conduct a loose change drive and receive financial gifts from the community to build a house for a needy family in **BAJA, MEXICO**. A team of students and adults earn their own support and travel by bus over the Spring Break to the poor community. There they build a house, conduct vacation Bible school, hand out gifts, conduct evangelistic services, and perform drama and music.

Three years ago we committed to build a Christian School in **KIJABE, KENYA**. Each year our school fundraises to build two classrooms. The largest portion of fundraising comes through a missions benefit dinner, this year to be held on January 30<sup>th</sup> here at the school. As with Mexico, a team of students and adults generate their own funds to travel to Kenya to assist with the building and to provide support to the community.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Provincial Exams  
Jan 25- 29

ESL Skiing  
Jan 13,15,20,22

Theme Day  
"Mexico-Kenya"  
Jan 21 (revised)

Sport Alumni  
Jan 29

End of Term  
Jan 29

Benefit Dinner  
Jan 30

Gen Unleashed  
Feb 4-6

Open House  
Feb 11

Olympics  
Feb 12-28

Spring Concert  
March 2

Spring Break  
March 8-19

### NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE: JANUARY 10—16, 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	All School Chapel	Basketball vs Deer Lake	Jr Boys Basketball Home game vs Bodwell	Primary Care Center gr 1 / 2	ESL Skiing	
	Sr Boys Basketball RCMP Tournament 1:15 in White Rock	Jr Boys * home Sr Girls * away	ESL Skiing	Hospital Visit Grade 10 Depart 12:30	Primary Swimming	



## MISSIONS BENEFIT DINNER ~ JANUARY 30, 2010

### A COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER

An event like our MISSIONS BENEFIT DINNER can only be successful when a community comes together. Over the next few weeks we will be revealing details of our 3rd annual benefit dinner scheduled for Saturday, January 30th, here in our RCA auditorium. You are invited to join us in an evening of food, music, heart warming testimonies, and good will as we share the story of Missions at RCA. Mark your calendar!

## BAJA MEXICO



## KIJABE KENYA



## SWIMMING LESSONS ~ GRADES 1 TO 4

Students in grades one to four have begun their weekly trek to the pool for their swimming lessons. This is a very exciting program for our students as they have 10 lessons to look forward to.



## SUCCESSMAKER PROGRAM ~ GRADES 1 TO 8

This is a reminder that we are once again offering the SUCCESSMAKER program as a home tutorial for students in Grades 1-8. This program is designed to customize learning in reading, and math. For weaker students, this will provide essential remediation by identifying gaps in a student's learning and then providing exercises to fill those gaps, while for average students, it will provide extra practice to bring them to a mastery level.

The program is accessed over the Internet from the student's home computer (currently unavailable for Mac users).

The cost of the program is **\$100.00** which covers the cost of the license until **June 30, 2010**.

We are able to offer a reduced rate for families with more than one child registering—see the school office for details.

To enroll, pop by the school office.

If you would like more information on the program, speak to Mrs. Barber or visit [www.successmakercanada.com](http://www.successmakercanada.com)

