

# THE WEEKLY

Monday, April 4, 2022



## *A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...*

I've been thinking a lot lately about the season of Lent that we are currently in. As some of you know, I grew up in the Salvation Army and this period of time between Ash Wednesday and the Thursday before Good Friday was called 'Self Denial'. We were encouraged to deny ourselves something, but I don't ever remember being told why. I remember 'denying' myself my allowance and bringing it to church to put in the offering plate, or forgoing eating pizza (which I loved). At some point, a very wise, godly woman who brought me to the Lord and continued to shepherd me for years afterwards, suggested that I might try giving up, at least for a short time, my tendency towards bossiness and always wanting to be right! (Sigh - an ongoing struggle!)

It wasn't until I was a young adult that I put the pieces together and realized that the period of time we called 'Self Denial' was called Lent in other churches and that they, too, had the tradition of giving up something. Today, I overheard a Kindergarten student say that, in her family, she had given up talking at the dinner table for Lent! This made me laugh, but it got me thinking, "Do families and/or churches still practice the idea of giving something up for Lent or has this practice fallen by the wayside?"

I realize that the purpose for self-sacrificing varies slightly in different churches, but from what I've read and understand, by giving up something that is hard for us to do, it helps us share in Jesus' suffering and draws us closer to God as we contemplate the sacrificial gift of Jesus' death for each of us.

I'd love to hear from you if you and/or your family do something special during the Lent season. (Or the time of "self-denial" for all you Salvation Army people out there!)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
WEDNESDAY	7:00 pm	Virtual WCS Open House (via Zoom)	Let your friends know!
FRIDAY	Lunch	Pizza Day	For students that have pre-ordered.
Wed/Apr/13	Lunch	Pasta Day	For students that have pre-ordered.
Thu/Apr/14	9:00 am	(Virtual) Grandparents' & Special Friends' Day	Link on next page.
<b>ONLINE AUCTION ~ Thu/Apr/14 - Thu/Apr/28</b>			
Fri/Apr/15	—	Good Friday	NO SCHOOL
Mon/Apr/18	—	Easter Monday	NO SCHOOL
Fri/Apr/22	Lunch	Pizza Day	For students that have pre-ordered.
Fri/Apr/22	—	Earth Day (Dress Down Day)	Neighbourhood Clean-Up

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