

## Principal's Newsletter March 2022

We often hear the old saying, "I can see light at the end of the tunnel" and it gives us hope for something we have been hoping for. That seems to be the case this week, as many look forward to March break coming up and the possibility of a trip to the south for warmer weather. The other scenario which gives us increased hope is that the pandemic lockdowns and mandates are coming to a close and bringing back a more normal way of life for us all.

Our chapel speaker this morning emphasized that God made us in a way that we need each other and we thrive when we are part of a community. That is one of the areas we are looking to get back to at BCA when we return from March Break. With vaccine passports no longer mandated, we will be opening up volunteer situations for all parents regardless of your vaccination status. We also anticipate being able to allow parents back into the school building to join us for chapel and other special events.

Sporting events and clubs have begun again with our hockey and badminton teams participating in tournaments the past couple of weeks. We had a group from BCA that participated a week ago in the Coldest Night of the Year walk-a-thon and raised \$8200 to help the poor and needy right here in Burlington. School field trips and class end of the year trips are being finalized, so make sure you stay tuned and check Edsby regularly for information regarding your child's events.

You may have noticed a hydraulic lift and other equipment at the south entrance of the school the past week. I am pleased to let you know that the board approved replacing the old pipes in the attic that are part of our fire prevention system and have caused us so much grief the past few years. So, along with the renovations from the flood, it has been a very busy place the past few weeks. Our two week March Break will give the renovation team time to replace the floors throughout the primary wing and the new sprinkler system should be finished by the time we return.

We are so thankful for the outstanding teachers we have who have taken all the recent disruptions in stride and continued on regardless of the circumstances. New prospective families are touring the school almost every day now and are hopeful there will be spots open for their children next year. Please make sure you re-register by this Friday to secure your child's place at BCA next year. We look forward to what God has in store for us as a community.

Yours in Christ,

**Rob Lofthouse**