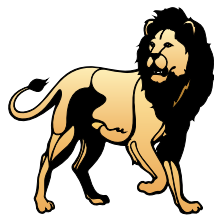


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## ADAM SCOTT C.V.I.

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### *An Information Newsletter to Parents*

**Principal: Craig Allan**  
**Superintendent of Student Achievement: W. R. Hick**

**Vice-Principals: Bill Mitchell & Karin MacKenzie-Russell**

**April 2007**

**School Council Chair: Sharron Hatton**

*Adam Scott C.V.I./I.S. has a focus on student achievement with clearly stated expectations and equitable assessment guidelines. This mandate will be met within a purposeful learning atmosphere that is free from the threat of physical or emotional harm, delivered within a climate which is supportive of curriculum and instruction, and addresses the learning needs of both staff and students.*

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

At this time of year, high schools are busy preparing for next year: setting course timetables and reviewing staff assignments.

It is with mixed emotions that I must bid farewell to two of our teachers. Both Mr. Brian Greer and Mr. Leith Rhodes are moving on to their next adventure in life - retirement.

Mr. Greer, our senior law teacher, came to Adam Scott from Thomas A. Stewart in 1984. As a curriculum leader, Mr. Greer set up the first senior law classes here in 1996. This senior class (CLU 4M1) continues to be one of our most popular courses. As a coach, Mr. Greer has been involved with rugby and field hockey. He has been the organizer behind many team trips to Bermuda, Victoria, B.C., and Scotland.

Mr. Rhodes, our "Mr. Geography", returned to Adam Scott in '99. Mr. Rhodes actually graduated from Adam Scott many years ago in what was then called the Science Technology and Trades Program. He returned in 1984 for a one year stop before travelling to Norwood to serve as a Geography teacher and later assume a position as Head of Physical Education. Mr. Rhodes has coached field hockey, hockey, basketball, and volleyball. He is the curator of our central courtyard known as the "Court of Leo" and is actively involved behind the "scenes" making things happen.

Both gentlemen are exemplary teachers and will be missed.

At the last School Council Meeting, Janie Kelly, our Head of Guidance, spoke about the various stages of a student's life in high school and alerted parents to the various timelines/deadlines for activities. One recommendation which Mrs. Kelly made to the parents was that students (as part of their portfolio) keep a record of their total community service hours (especially those hours over and above the 40 hours required for graduation).

Many university and college entrance procedures require the completion of a student experience portfolio and these extra community service hours may assist with this. A log of these hours in a portfolio will also assist students seeking part-time or full-time employment. Also, many of the scholarship and awards programs for college or university have a community work/initiatives component that is often weighted as heavily as the marks component. Has your son/daughter completed and submitted their 40 hours of community service needed to graduate? We presently have 5 students who have their credits to graduate and have left the school, but can't officially graduate until their hours are completed.

A reminder that tomorrow, Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, is a Professional Development Day. Here at Adam Scott, staff will be doing a variety of workshops on Differentiated Instruction. Some of the topics include: How to Modify Curriculum to Meet the Needs of Special Learners, How to Use Web-based Technology, The Use of Smart Boards in Classroom Instruction, and How to Incorporate Community Partners/Placements into Classroom Activities.

In closing, I would like to congratulate our students for being great school ambassadors at a variety of events over the past month.

- ▶ Band members at KIWANIS (Gold Standing)
- ▶ Drama members at KIWANIS (Gold Standing)
- ▶ Academic Olympics
- ▶ Skills (Technical) Competition
- ▶ LLS Basketball Team (Gold)
- ▶ many trips in/outside our community

We sincerely apologize if we missed any scholars as these marks had to be calculated by hand.

**Adam Scott Intermediate Students' Council**  
**"Green" Plant & Flower Sale**

Intermediate students are taking orders from April 20 - May 11, 2007. Plants will be available for pick up in Rm. 127 at Adam Scott on May 23 from 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. and on May 24 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Please bring a box with you to transport your plants home. Proceeds will go to the betterment of the school. Thank you for your support!

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- April 26 - Interim Report - Sem. II & Newsletter Distribution
- April 27 - Professional Development Day
- April 27 - Marks Due to OCAS & OUAC
- May 9 - GWME Coffee House
- May 17 - Spring Music Concert - 7:30 p.m.
- May 21 - Victoria Day
- May 28 - School Council Meeting - 6:45 p.m.
- June 13 & 14 - Gr. 9 Math EQAO Provincial Assessment (tentative dates)
- June 20 - Last Day of Classes - Sem. II - Term 2 Ends
- June 21 - 27 - Final Exams
- June 28 - Assessment Day
- June 29 - Professional Activity Day
- July 5 - Report Cards Available for

July 6

August 27

Pick-up

- School Office Closes
- School Office Reopens



**DON'T  
FORGET**

## Adam Scott Co-op Students Participate in Mock Interviews

Mock Interviews are an integral component of the pre-employment training which Adam Scott Co-op students must complete before beginning their work placements. Each student must participate in a mock interview with someone from the professional or business community at their respective places of business.

On Tuesday, February 13, the following Rotarians and community minded citizens met individually with our students to help them practice their interview skills, and to offer advice on how to better prepare and perform for their Co-op placement interviews.

Special thanks go to Peterborough Rotarian Rick Storey, and Kawartha Rotarian David Martin, who both assisted greatly in the promotion of this program within their membership. Specific thanks go to Bill Cole (Swish Maintenance), Lloyd Graham, Maria Gwilliams (Scotia Bank), Paul Hartung (Trent Valley Literacy), Ada Lee, Joe McCulloch (Vincent Press Ltd.), Bill Morrison (Best Western), Wendy Swain (Holiday Inn), Jeff Lustig (Lustig Chiropractic), Doug Lockington (Play It Again Sports), Dawn Hennesey (Business Development of Canada), Morgan Smith (Signarama), Dan McWilliams (McWilliams Moving and Storage Ltd.), Lorraine Skipwith (Peterborough City Health Unit), Len Lifchus and Liz Maxwell (United Way), Susan Sharp (Brant Office Supply Ltd.), Gary Ainsworth (Lawyer), Bob Angione (Coyle Corrugated), Jon Bryan and Michael Randall (Mexicali Rosa's), Peter Easton (Peterborough Volkswagon), Atul Swarup (NEFAB Inc.), Bob Bedford (Primerica Financial), Mary-Ann Meagher (Peterborough Family Resource Center), Cindy Sargeant (Teacher), Bill Mitchell (Vice-Principal), Phil Winslow (Retired Teacher), and Marilyn Tudhope (Retired Teacher).

Ed Dillon  
Co-op Teacher

## ADAM SCOTT'S FASHION SHOW

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It was sweet success for the student organizers of the Adam Scott Annual Fashion Show, *Sunshine & Summertime* which took place on April 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> in the Adam Scott auditorium. Traci Basel, Katie Gillespie, Kathryn Jackman & Carla Lowry have been working since December to pull the show together. The choreography, model selection, participation of stores, schedules, practices, music and fundraising are all thanks to their meticulous and dedicated efforts and great teamwork.

Many thanks go to Bluenotes, Bootlegger, Brides by Tara, Cottage Toys, Imperial Styles, Jean Machine, Marks Work Warehouse, National Sports, Randy River, Smart Set, Suzy Shier & Warehouse One who so generously loaned the latest in spring fashions to the event.

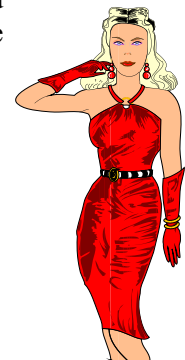
Many thanks also go out to those who donated door prizes: Walt Basel Consultant, Baskin Robbins, Blacks Photography, Paul Clark, Karen Lowry, Music World, Nubodies Fitness, Starbucks, Warren Tuck Ltd. The donations were greatly appreciated.

Students contributed to the success of the event by participating as models, backstage crew, tech. crew, MC's, photographer/videographers and artists: A true joint venture with students from all grades and talents!

The Fashion Show collected several large boxes of non-perishable food for the Food Bank which will be sorted and delivered by students in the workplace co-op class. The proceeds from the ticket sales raised enough to donate \$500.00 to Hospice Peterborough, the chosen charity recipient group, and a similar amount to be used to support efforts in the Fashion Program at Adam Scott.

Many thanks to all who supported and encouraged the efforts of the students.

Linda Hancox  
Staff Advisor



## SKILLS COMPETITION

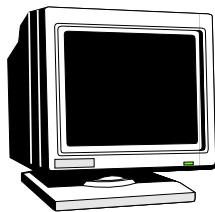
On March 26 to March 28, several technical education students had an opportunity to display their talents at the third annual regional skills competition. Our students competed in three categories: Automotive Service Technician, Individual Carpentry and Team Carpentry. The students were asked to perform a variety of jobs that would display their skills in each area. Mr. Flindall and Mr. Moloney would like to congratulate Eric Porter, Cory Finley, Lane Clark, Adam Sinclair, Aleisha Robbins and Adam Murphy on their hard work.



## News from the Adam Scott Library....

The Adam Scott Library now has a “wiki”. A wiki is like a web page except it is searchable, can have multiple contributors and is easier to update. The search feature allows students to find information more quickly. You can access the wiki from the Adam Scott home page ([adamscott.ca](http://adamscott.ca)).

Adam Scott students have access to over eleven on-line databases. These databases include articles from thousands of magazines and newspapers. The databases include hundreds of non-fiction reference books. Check for the link on the Adam Scott home page ([adamscott.ca](http://adamscott.ca)) or the Adam Scott Library wiki. You can get the passwords for the databases from the Library.

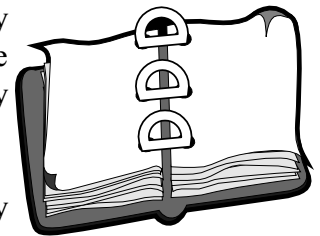


## The Literacy Test (OSSLT) Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2007

Grade 10 students and rewriters spent the morning of Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup> working diligently on the Literacy Test. Attendance was excellent - everyone who was supposed to be was there! The students put in a fine concerted effort, with most finishing within the required time with well extended answers.

The Literacy Committee members had been working for weeks entering student data into the EQAO site, preparing and administering preparatory practice test items, taking inventory of the materials sent, setting up the three exam locations, providing snacks for mid-test break, collecting and sorting tests and confirming inventory materials for the return trip to EQAO.

The expectation is that Adam Scott students will fare well on the OSSLT supported by their own practice efforts and the support and encouragement of all staff members. Many thanks to all who made the day run smoothly for the students.



The Literacy Committee will now be concentrating efforts on submitting data from the Grade 9 Booklet 2 Practice Literacy Test to the school board database. In addition, any grade 9 students who have been identified as needing extra help on the various literacy skills will be notified and will have the opportunity to continue practicing on those skills. Students may contact Ms. Hancox in Rm. 220 or 209 to signal their interest in help.

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## **Music Notes**

“Students Write the Songs” was the headline in the Peterborough Examiner. Adam Scott students that is! Kyle Nurse and Jessica MacDonald, two grade 12 Concert Band members composed music which our band played at the Kiwanis Music Festival on April 11<sup>th</sup>. The East-Coast-inspired composition, “Lighthouse Point” by Jessica, tells a story of going out on the unpredictable sea and eventually returning safely to the harbour. Kyle’s “A Round Time” changes pace abruptly and frequently, highlighting extreme contrasts. The adjudicator noted this rare opportunity stating that this was the first time he had ever judged student compositions. “Both of these compositions were enthralling”, he stated during his adjudication.

The next day, the Jazz Band played 3 selections, one of which was arranged by trumpeter Andrew Olson. The adjudicator was particularly impressed with Andrew’s trumpet playing and the piano playing of Amy Zhou.

The Concert Band received 3 gold standards for their performances. The Jazz Band received one silver standard.

The music department’s final concert will be on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Concert Band, Jazz Band, the Scott Singers and soloists will perform. Concert Band French horn player, Jennifer Hanmore, will be performing one of her Kiwanis solos at this concert. Jennifer, a member of the Kawartha Youth Orchestra and the Peterborough Symphony has been nominated to compete at the Provincial Kiwanis Festival in June. Our best wishes go to Jennifer!

At our May concert, we will also honour our graduates who have been in band and choir for the past 4 or 5 years: Catherine Duncan (soprano), Lauren Tregenza (clarinet), Kristi Malone (bass clarinet), Connor Kemp (alto sax), Emily Roy (bari sax), Andrew Olson (trumpet), Jennifer Hanmore (french horn), Jessica MacDonald (percussion) and Kyle Nurse (percussion). Each of these students have made positive musical contributions to our school through band, choir, musicals, assemblies and coffee houses. Viva Musica!

## **ART NEWS IN BRIEF**

### **Fine Paper Donation to Art Program**

The Visual Arts program recently benefitted from a kind donation of paper products from Peterborough Cardboard Ltd. High quality Krush paper, mat and illustration board, and other fine papers will greatly enhance the work of Adam Scott’s budding artists. **THANK YOU PETERBOROUGH CARDBOARD!**

### **New Kiln**

The Adam Scott Art Program has a strong sculpture component. Large expressive clay portrait heads, carefully modeled clay hand sculptures, and fantasy-inspired ceramic creatures grace the display case in the Art Hall throughout the year. This three-dimensional work came to a screeching halt in late November. A number of clay projects were lost and the kiln was significantly damaged in a major kiln malfunction. Fortunately, a new kiln was purchased and clay work is once again being fired at Adam Scott.

### **Art Exhibitions**

Several senior Adam Scott art students will be participating in the annual art show, “Best of High School Art”, from May 13<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> at the Kawartha Artists’ Gallery & Studio at 420 O’Connell Street.

Grade 10 Adam Scott art student, **Yilka Dugolli**, currently has a large scale drawing on display at the Board Office in the annual Equity & Diversity Art Exhibition. This year’s theme is Global Citizenship.