

WEEKLY MESSENGER

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Amazing, absolutely amazing! I frequently go home and marvel at the support of the LCS community. Running an organization that is so dependent on volunteer help can be challenging and yet, time after time, I see people step up to help because they share a passion for the school.

With the Open House coming up, we asked a few people to be a part of the organizing committee. A few meetings, assign some tasks, stay connected through emails, and we are on our way. People are getting things done! Also, a few rooms still required some painting and cleaning. Again, a post on Facebook and, within a few days, volunteers show up with energy and enthusiasm. I am sure that Monday there will be more people at the school with a willingness to clean and/or paint – whatever needs doing.

This coming weekend (Saturday), the Properties Committee is hosting a yard clean-up event. If you have time, I encourage you to support this group. They have committed countless hours this year replacing light bulbs, building shelves, taking care of staff to-do lists, and staying on top of general maintenance. I saw one of the Property Committee members at the school this past Saturday and I asked if he had the wrong date. He said, "No, I am not sure if I can make it next Saturday, but I wanted to help out. This weekend worked for me". That is dedication. Then, on Monday morning we noticed that the long jump and triple jump pits were created and ready for Track and Field day. We appreciate the properties committee members so maybe we can show our support for them by helping out on Saturday.

Thanks again LCS community. Your involvement in LCS is appreciated in so many ways. As a staff, in our morning devotions, we thank God for all or you frequently.

SCHOOL NEWS

Easter Chapel will be held on Thursday afternoon beginning at 2:30pm. Please join us.

From Properties Committee – School Cleanup Event – this Saturday, April 20th (beginning at 10am) we hope to have many volunteers to help with tasks such as raking the grass (please bring a rake), cleaning the outside windows, picking up garbage, filling the playground area with wood chips. There are also odd jobs that need to be completed inside the school. All of these tasks need to be done before the Open House on April 27th!

Kindergarten Registration Day: LCS will be hosting a Kindergarten Registration Day tomorrow from 9:30-11:30am for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. We are accepting new registrations for all school-aged children (JK-Grade 8). Immunization records and birth certificates are required when completing the registration form.

Grandparent's Day - Hopefully students are able to hand out their invitations to Grandparent's Day (May 2nd) over the Easter weekend! Students in Grade 6 are asked to provide some baked goods (peanut/tree nut free) for the coffee times that day. Students should bring in a lunch for their grandparent / grandfriend that day. Desserts at lunch will be provided.

The Fundraising Committee is pleased to announce that with your help, the auction made just over \$33,000.00 this year!! It is great to have so much support for Christian Education in our community. We would like to ask that anyone that borrowed a fundraising polo shirt, to please return it to the office ASAP as we would like to use them for the Open House. Our next event is "Night Out" (paint night). Please mark May 15 on your calendar more info coming soon!!

Battle of the Books - Thank you to our drivers who have volunteered to drive to Community CRC on April 25th! In order to drive students, a police check is needed. If you do not have an up-to-date check, please get one soon and send it to the office!

School Theme – But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness; and all these things will be given to you as well. – Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

Spring/Easter Communicator – the latest issue has been sent home with LCS families. Be sure to check out the colour version located on the school website (www.listowelchristianschool.ca)

Christian Education Week (April 29 - May 3)

- Monday, April 29 Chapel at 9:00am Kevin Nethercott will be our guest speaker.
 - Carnival Students may bring quarters, loonies and toonies to play games, buy treats from the bake table or a secret grab bag. Monies raised will be given to EduDeo to support a school in another country. (EduDeo Ministries – www.edudeo.com)
- Tuesday, April 30 Celebration of Learning. An evening for parents and their children to celebrate the gift of art and learning. 7:00pm 7:30pm will be a time to view the art displayed throughout the school, 7:30pm the program will begin. Note: Grandparents have their opportunity on Thursday, May 2.
- Thursday, May 2 Invite your GrandParents or GrandFriends to school to see what you do in your classroom, show them your work, meet your teacher and your friends. Bring a lunch to share with them as you will eat together in the gym. Desserts provided.

UPCOMING	EVENTS
April	May
16 – Kindergarten Registration (9:30 – 11:30am)	1 – Pizza Day
17 – Pizza Day	2 – Grandparent & Grandfriends Day
19 – Easter Chapel at 2:30pm	6 – Board Exec
19 – Good Friday (no school)	13 – Board meeting
22 – Easter Monday (no school)	15 – "Night Out" (paint night)
23 – Dental Screening (SK, Gr. 2, Gr. 7, maybe Gr. 4)	17 – LCS Track & Field Day (also pizza day)
25 – Battle of the Books tournament	20 – Victoria Day (no school)
27 – LCS Open House	29 – Pizza Day
29 - Chapel at 9:00am	
29 – Celebration of Learning	

BIRTHDAY CORNER





The Board is pleased to announce that Lauren Koersen will be the new Strategic Plan Coordinator. Thank you to our current SP Coordinator, Sophie Lise, for her many years of service in this role. The Spring Membership meeting has been scheduled for Monday, May 27, 2019 at 7:30pm. *All committees are reminded to submit their reports to Cheryl Mulder (tcmulder@wightman.ca) before May 1st.

FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Music - Mrs. Wright

Choir – Please watch for a permission form being sent home tomorrow (Tuesday) for our trip to Livingston Manor. Please return ASAP.

Grade 3 & 4: Recorder playing test on Tuesday, April 23 on "Trampin" and "BAGE Blues."

Grade 5 & 6: Recorder - continue to practice "Love Somebody."

Junior Kindergarten - Mrs. Baarda

We are continuing with our spring theme this week. We will check the progress of the seeds we planted, they are growing! We are also going to look at the different parts of a plant.

Our **focus letter** this week is Xx. Children may bring in a show and tell that has an x in it, or if that is not possible they may bring in something that is e**X**tra special to them.

In our workbooks this week we will be looking at capital letters and their lowercase matches.

In math, we are practicing our counting! We will count up to 20 this week.

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In **health**, we will learn about our sense of taste.

In **Bible**, we will read about the events leading up to Good Friday and Easter, the arrest of Jesus, and his death on the cross. I encourage you to practice our memory work at home, John 3:16.

As we approach Easter, I pray that you all have a blessed time to reflect on the great love of our Father, who sacrificed his son to save each one of us.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week we will **focus on the letter Gg**, please bring a show and tell that begins with the hard "G" sound. We are learning new words by dropping off the beginning consonant sound. We continue to match upper and lowercase letters, rhyme words and work on syllable sorting activities.

In math, we will learn how to count by 2s, using small shapes to create larger shapes and count to 100.

In **Bible**, we are learning about Jesus being mocked and the crowds hollering "Crucify Him" and about the actual crucifixion. We continue to review John 3:16 as our memory verse.

This week in our Spring unit, we will learn the difference between bulbs and seeds and how seeds scatter.

Layering clothing for outside would be ideal right now since it is cooler in the mornings and warmer in the afternoons. Continue to send hat and mittens just in case.

Wishing you all a very blessed Easter! Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. O' Boyle

Class News

Library Books – Just a reminder that library books are due back on Wednesday.

Spelling – Spelling test will be on Thurs. Apr. 18th. Please watch for your child's spelling list coming home in their envelope today.

If you are reading this please have your child write down the number of syllables in the following words: robot, mouse, motorcycle, wipe, hippo

Pizza Day – Just a reminder that pizza day is on Wednesday.

Grab Bag – Please be sure to check your envelope for more information about the grab bags our class is in charge of making for the carnival for Christian Education Week. Thanks!

Easter Chapel – We will be having an Easter chapel Thurs. at 2:30. Please feel free to join us.

Memory Work – Congrats grade one! We were all able to say our memory work early last week. Please use the extra time to start working on your new memory work.

Happy Easter – Praying you all have a great Easter! He is risen! Enjoy a few extra days with your children. I will be praying for safety for all of those who are traveling.

The Plan

Math – We will conclude our unit on measurement and begin a new unit on 2-D geometry and applications.

Creation Studies - We will conclude a unit on matter and materials.

Physical Education – We will continue a unit that focuses on manipulative skills.

Bible – We will conclude our *Easter* unit.

Writing – We will continue to work on organizing our writing, focusing on specifically finishing our writing with a good, clear ending. We will also work on discriminating between to and two.

Reading Comprehension – We will continue to work on sequencing.

Words of the Day – We will continue to focus on/review sight words: are, at, and ate.

Phonics- We will continue to work on counting syllables.

Health - We will continue a unit called Our Amazing Bodies.

Art – We will continue to learn about texture.

Chromebooks – We will begin to focus on spelling-based games.

Memory Work - We will be saying Matthew 28:5-6 on Apr. 30th.

"The angel said to the women, 'Do you not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." Matthew 28:5-6

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

In **socials**, we are studying Canadian symbols. I think I might include snow as one of our symbols considering we experience it 3 out of the 4 seasons! Please continue to send appropriate outdoor wear.

In **math**, Grade 3 is finishing up their math unit on *Length*, *Perimeter and Area*. Their test will be tomorrow. The Grade 2s just started their unit on *Multiplication*, *Division and Fractions*.

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In **Bible**, we have been studying Passion Week and Easter. Continue to have conversations with your children about the importance of the cross and resurrection.

There will be no spelling test this week due to there being no school on Friday.

He lives!

Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman

Art - Thank you so much to Mrs. Kikkert who came in to teach us how to paint our landscapes - they look great! Keep an eye out for them at our Celebration of Learning!

Math - We are finishing our unit on *Fractions and Decimals* and will be reviewing all week. Students will have their quiz on THURSDAY.

Memory Work - 2 Kings 17:13b - "Observe my commands and decrees, in accordance with the entire Law that I commanded your ancestors to obey and that I delivered to you through my servants the prophets." - due NEXT Friday.

Cursive - We did letters V and U last week. Grade 4s pages 52, 53, 54, 55 are due WEDNESDAY.

Spelling - Unit 26 Dictation will be NEXT Friday.

Grade 5 and 6 - Ms. Van Kampen

French: We will be focusing on the verb "aller" (to go) and the various venues that one can go to. (e.g. le cinéma, la bibliotheque, l'école, l'église, etc.)

Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

Bible: This week we will do a short unit on Jesus' Death.

Math: We will be starting a new unit on fractions. We will use the introductory Jump Math unit.

Spelling: This week is lesson 28. Work is due on Tuesday, guiz on Thursday.

Social Studies: We will explore economic development and inequalities around the world.

Health: This week we will focus on nutrition.

Literature: We are studying *Anne of Green Gables*. Students are expected to complete journal questions and entries Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. This week we plan to read chapters 21-24.

Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. Van Kampen

French – We will be proceeding to "-ir" verbs and learning their conjugations. Daily activities will continue to focus especially on listening skills (e.g. as a short story is read aloud and completing T/F or multiple choice exercises) and speaking (i.e. responding to oral questions in full sentences).

Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. ten Brink

WWW - We have moved onto review of our roots. Papers were due today. There will be no quiz this week. We will review the 5 roots and then have our quiz.

Writing - Final copies of fractured fairy tales should be handed in. This week we will be looking at finishing our lessons on various descriptions and spending time focusing on our project for the Celebration of Learning.

GR - Questions for *Current Events* are due on Tuesday.

Geography - Our final unit test will be on Wednesday, April 17.

Water Walk-a-thon - Sponsor sheets went out and the planning continues. We are still in need of a few more volunteers to make the day happen on May 3. If you are able to help out by either walking with the students or standing at a check point, please let me know. We need a few more people to make this day happen.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Math: We completed our integers unit. Students should be bringing home marks to be signed. This week we will challenge ourselves with a few Gauss contests.

Bible: This week we begin our second part of church history. Was Constantine a Christian? We will investigate!

Gym: Our badminton unit will continue with mini tournaments.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Katerberg

Science: Chapter 8 quiz tomorrow. On Thursday students created "Pop Flavours". We will be taste testing them tomorrow.

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