

WEEKLY MESSENGER June 3, 2019

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Ahhh, June. The weather usually turns more favourable (and we look forward to that), and it is the last month of the school year. For the three weeks we are at school, there is a lot going on.

June is typically field trip season and we have a few classes going on trips. Field trips are great opportunities to learn beyond the walls of the classrooms and experience God's creation in new ways and in new environments. Field trips also often allow for more hands-on learning.

June is also a very heavy sports season. We have three big sports events happening – district field day, baseball tournament, and a golf tournament. As a sports enthusiast, this is great. Sports also enable us to learn about ourselves, our relationships with others, and how we can serve God in different arenas (pun intended). I look forward to each event.

June is a time of graduations. The SK graduation will be held on Monday, June 17 at 2:00. Everyone is welcome to join us as we acknowledge the growth of these 21 students and encourage their further learning. The Grade 8 graduation ceremony will be on Wednesday, June 19 at 8:00 p.m. Again, everyone is welcome to join us as we celebrate the gifts of these 10 students, bless them, and send them off to new schools to further their learning.

Then there is Friday, June 21 – the last day of school. Once again, we will have our annual water activities which will end with one great big water fight. Get your water guns ready!!! There will be a 2:00 dismissal on that day.

Ahhh, June. What a great month!

SCHOOL NEWS

Library - THIS week students will have one last chance to check out library books. NEXT week students will need to return all their books.

Communicator contributions to the June issue are due to the office (office@listowelchristianschool.ca) by Friday.

At the Spring membership meeting the budget for the 2019-2020 school year was approved. Any families wishing to contact the **Bursary Committee** for assistance with tuition for the coming year are asked to do so by June 17. Please contact Tim Mulder 519-291-6174 or tcmulder@wightman.ca

District Track & Field Day is scheduled this Friday, June 7 at Lions Park in Brantford.

- Reminder, there is **no school on Friday** as many of our students participate and the teachers are needed to help with this event!
- Please continue to send in permission forms. A special thank you to the parents who have offered to help lead a group.
- The bus for both parent group leaders and students will leave LCS at 7:00 am on Friday morning to travel to Brantford. Please be prompt so we can arrive on time. If your child will not be riding the bus because you are traveling to Brantford, please let Mr. Katerberg know.

Grade 8 Graduation Details:

- ~Grad photos at 5:00pm
- ~Dinner for graduates, parents and staff begins at 5:30pm
- ~Graduation ceremonies will begin at 8:00pm in the school gym

All school members and those who have encouraged and supported our graduates are welcome to join us for an evening of celebration and thanksgiving and say 'farewell' to our 10 graduates. **ALL LCS families are asked to provide 2 dozen peanut/tree nut free baked goods** (can be homemade or store bought) for the refreshment table after graduation. Please make sure these items are brought to the school the morning of Wednesday, June 19th.

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)

LCS is currently inviting applications for the following position: Bookkeeper – permanent, part-time. Start date is flexible with job shadowing/training with current bookkeeper.

- LCS is seeking a bookkeeper with payroll experience, a working knowledge of excel and experience with Quickbooks Online would be an asset.
- The successful applicant must be self-motivated, detail oriented and able to maintain confidentiality.
- An understanding of the compliance regulations for registered charities would also be beneficial.
- Wages will be dependent on the experience and credentials of the successful applicant.
- Preference will be given to applicants who are supporters of Christian education.

For a more detailed job description, or to submit your resume, please email hr@listowelchristianschool.ca

Gift Cards – June order and Summer order information: The next deadline for FundScrip orders is today at midnight. Gift cards will be delivered to R & J Hiemstra's on Friday (no school that day). They will be available for pick up or kidmail delivery on Monday, June 10th OR you may make other arrangements with Janel (please call her at 519-749-5263). FundScrip orders will be received during the summer months:

- July orders due Monday, July 1st with delivery on Friday, July 5th to R & J Hiemstra's home.
- August orders due Monday, August 5th with delivery on Friday, August 9th to R & J Hiemstra's home.
- September orders due Monday, September 2nd with delivery on Friday, September 6th to LCS office.

6th **Annual LCS Best Ball Golf Tournament** is set to tee off this Saturday at Pike Lake Golf Club! Thank you to our sponsors and to all those who have registered to golf (we reached our maximum for golfers). The event begins with registration at 1:30pm, shot gun start at 2:00pm, dinner at 5:00pm.)

BOARD REPORT - We are grateful to all the Board nominees for their willingness to serve LCS in the coming three years. As noted in the Membership Package, the Board was exciting about each candidate. We are pleased to announce that Pete Kraayenbrink, Ron Haanstra and Gerry Siebring were elected to serve. We thank Stephanie Struyk for letting her name stand and we trust we will find opportunities for her to serve LCS in other positions.

BIRTHDAY CORNER



Celebrating this week: Jasmine B – June 4 Alexa V – June 5 Boe K – June 7

SCHOOL SPORTS - Baseball:

Girls Team: We will be practicing on Tuesday after school at the Optimist Diamond.

Boys Team: We are practicing Tuesday after school at the Kinsmen park on Louise Ave. If it is raining, the boys will practice in the gym. We will also have a practice on Thursday at lunch.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

- 3 Board Exec
- 3 Gift card orders due
- 4 Grade 6 & 7 student meat delivery
- 6 JK Class trip to the fire hall and park
- 6 Grade 2 Grade 4 Class trip
- 7 District Track & Field Day in Brantford
- 8 LCS Golf Tournament
- 10 Gift cards available for pickup/kidmail delivery
- 10 Board meeting
- 11 Baseball tournament in Kitchener
- 13 SK Grade 1 Class trip
- 17 SK Graduation (2pm)
- 19 Grade 8 Graduation
- 21 Last day of school (2pm dismissal)

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FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Music - Mrs. Wright

Composer of the month is Antonin Dvorak

Grades 5 and 6: Recorder performances in small groups June 4 and 10

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

Our new theme for June is *the Ocean and the Beach*. We will be looking at shells and doing some water play. **Tuesday is BLUE DAY.** Children are encouraged to wear something blue or bring in a blue show and tell. Our art activities for June will be working on something special for our Dads, as well as creating some art for the Listowel Fair.

We will be reviewing letters U-Z this week with some matching activities as well as our phonic songs. In math we will review more, less, and the same, as well as patterns.

Field Trip: Thursday is our trip to the Listowel fire hall and park. Please dress for the weather. We will be having a pizza lunch but please still send snacks and a drink for your child. Each child will need their **CAR or BOOSTER SEAT (please label with your child's name)** as we will be driving to the fire hall and park.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week we will focus on the long vowel sound of the letter Uu. Please bring in an object that has the long Uu vowel sound, if you are able. Our new reader this week is "*Mike and Spike*" with our new sight word being "*down*". We continue to rhyme, blend words together and segment words sound by sound. Please return all book bags for Thursday.

In **math**, we are reviewing some number concepts such as place value and printing teen numbers.

In Bible, we will focus on David writing Psalm 23.

For the month of June, we will be spending some time discussing wild, forest and farm animals as well as wrapping up some artwork that we have started and need to complete plus working on fair art projects.

No school on FRIDAY as Miss Kikkert and myself are at District Field Day to supervise the students. **Some important dates**:

June 11, 2019 - We will be celebrating those birthdays we don't get to do in June plus July and August birthdays, so it will include Jadon, Damian, Jake, Levi, Isaac and Jaxton. We will play special party games and have some treats. **June 13th, 2019** - Class Trip to London's Children's Museum with Grade 1. We have lots of parents coming along to supervise. *Just a note that we will need to eat some snacks on the bus, so food items that are not liquid or messy such as granola bars, apples, carrots, cookies are a good choice. Thank you!*

June 17th, 2019- SK Graduation-2pm - All grandparents, parents, friends are welcome to come. It begins at 2pm and will be about 45 mins. All guests of the SK students are welcome to stay for some refreshments. All the students from LCS (Grades 1 to 8) will attend but not stay for refreshments. If you could please let me know at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca how many guests you are bringing by June 13th, 2019 then refreshments can be arranged. Thanks.

Students will return to school to complete the week. Last day of school Friday, June 21st at 2pm.

Grade 1 - Mrs. O' Boyle

Class News

Library Books – Just a reminder that library books are due back on Wednesday. This will be our last library day for the year.

Spelling – Spelling test will be on Thursday, June 6th. Please watch for your child's spelling list coming home in their envelope today.

If you are reading this please have your child write which part of the plant acts as the anchor, elevator, kitchen, clothes, suitcase and treasure chest.

A-Z Countdown – Just a reminder that we will be participating in an *A-Z Countdown to Summer* for the month of June. Please refer to the calendar included in your envelopes for details on what is happening. We look forward to reviewing and sharing all that we have learned that begins with each letter as well. Watch for pictures and recaps in our online groups.

District – Just a reminder that Friday is District Track and Field. Please pack a lunch, lots of water, sunscreen, and hat if your child is attending. Also, remember to wear layers and proper running shoes. Looking forward to a great day!

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Flashlights and Fairytales – Just a reminder to send your child with a flashlight (if available) and their favourite fairytale on Thursday.

The Plan

Math – We will conclude a unit on place value and number application.

Creation Studies – We will conclude a unit on The Earth, God's Garden.

Physical Education – We will begin a new unit on striking and fielding.

Bible – We will conclude a unit on King David.

Writing – We will begin to work on sentence fluency, ensuring that each sentence is a complete thought. We will also work on making words plural and including proper capitalization.

Reading Comprehension – We will continue to work on fantasy vs. reality.

Words of the Day – We will continue to focus on/review sight words: now, on, our, out, please pretty, ran and ride. **Phonics** – We will work on listening for, reading and writing words with the initial and final consonant blends, as well as begin to look at the consonant digraphs sh, th, wh, and ch.

Health – We will conclude a unit called *Our Amazing Bodies*.

Art – We will continue to learn about the element of design: space and will also begin to work on fair art.

Memory Work – We will be saying 1 Chronicles 16:11 on Tuesday, June 4th and Proverbs 3:5-6 on Tuesday, June 18th

"Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always." 1 Chronicles 16:11

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

It is a BUSY week! We have lots planned for this week and look forward to all the excitement.

The students have been learning about respect and being a good friend in health. Together we decided to have a day dedicated to showing respect and putting being a good friend into practice. **Tuesday** will be that day. We have dubbed it "Too Kind Tuesday". Only kind words are permitted during the day. Of course, this should always be the case, but in order to get used to showing Jesus' love we are having this day.

Wednesday the Grade 3's have their math test on *Motion Geometry*. Grade 2 has learned about multiplication x1, x2, and x5. They will start their review on money this week.

Thursday is our Field Trip to Schneider Haus and Victoria Park. Students will ride the buses like normal. Please pack a lunch as we will have a picnic at Victoria Park. Students are to dress for the weather as we will be outdoors for a good portion of the day.

Friday is our District Track and Field Day. Students attending must be at the school before 7am. Pack a lunch to last the day (remember healthy stuff!). They also have a concession stand for treats. Those who did not make it to district get to enjoy a day off!

The last **Scholastic flyers** were sent home last week. If I could get all orders in by Wednesday, we can ensure they get here before school ends. Remember to use your **coupon** if you still have one!!

Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman

Memory Work - Isaiah 43:13 - "Yes, and from ancient days, I am he. No one can deliver out of my hand. When I act, who can reverse it?" - due NEXT Friday

Spelling - Unit 32 Dictation will be NEXT Friday

Baseball Gloves - Please remember to bring in baseball gloves for TUESDAY.

Cursive - Letters S and G are due on WEDNESDAY.

FIELD TRIP - Thursday is our field trip to Schneider Haus and Victoria Park! We are hoping for a beautiful day! Please remember to dress according to weather, wear running shoes, and bring a packed lunch. Students will leave and return in time to take the bus to and from school.

Grade 5 and 6 - Ms. Van Kampen

French: We will continue with our unit on food, what we should eat and what we like to eat. Because of the baseball tournament on Tuesday, June 11, French class will be moved to Wednesday, June 12.

Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

Bible: We will be completing "*Tell Me the Secret*" this week. **Math:** Our new unit will be *Length*, *Area, and Perimeter.*

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Spelling: Lesson 34 assignment due tomorrow, test on Thursday.

Social Studies: Time zones, positive and negative impact of trade.

Health: We enjoyed the OPP Kids Program. On June 10, we will meet Officer Barry at the Listowel Police Station.

Literature: We have started our final literature unit in which students are reading a novel in a small group.

Thank you: On Thursday, May 30, our class enjoyed our field trip to Camp Kintail. Thank you to Mrs. VanderSlikke and Mr. Weber for accompanying our class!

Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. Van Kampen

French: We will work on:

- finishing our adjectives and adverbs.
- future tense with aller
- past tense with avoir

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Grade 7 and 8 – Ms. ten Brink

WWW - This week we are focusing on our new guided reading novel and graduation paragraphs and poems, so no new words this week.

Writing - We are finishing the year off looking at various letter formats. Watch the calendar for the upcoming due dates.

Guided Reading - Our reading and questions are being completed in class. Over the next few weeks students will be assigned to take a deeper look at how other countries are responding to refugees.

History - Students were partnered up to research who was part of Confederation in Canada. Presentations will be on Monday, June 10. Also due on Monday, June 10, they will be their presenting their Father of Confederation Monologue. Our final unit test will be on June 14.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Math: Grade 7 is working their way through probability. Daily homework will be assigned. A worksheet will be due on Wednesday and their mid-unit review will be due on Thursday. Grade 8 is working through their independent algebra unit. Daily homework will be assigned. They will have a quiz on Thursday.

Bible: This week we will look at the Crusades.

Gym: Wednesday we will play baseball. Friday we will go to District Field Day.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

Science: Our current unit is *Heat in the Environment*. This week: heat and the earth's crust, chapter review. Quiz on Thursday.