

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

My reflections this week are a smorgasbord of things. Here you go.

1. A great start: Once again we are off to a great start. Thanks to each of you for your encouragement at the opening BBQ and the opening assembly. We are blessed to have such a supportive community.
2. Ukuleles: Thank you to everyone who contributed to the ukuleles. We raised \$1,570.00 at the BBQ. A few people asked about donation receipts and if your donation was identifiable (in an envelope or a cheque), a donation receipt will be recorded. If you are still planning on contributing, please send your donation in an envelope addressed to the LCS Office – Ukuleles.
3. Returning forms: A number of forms went home with the summer mailing. Please return the as soon as possible – especially the tuition forms so you don't have to pay the late fee!!! Remember your hot lunch forms (if you need another copy, please contact the office). Today you will receive more forms to return. How about sitting down tonight, filling them all in, and return them tomorrow 😊.
4. Transportation: Our first week of bussing is completed. Hopefully the routes and stops, times and locations are all figured out. Once again, we would appreciate you spending some time discussing safety for the bus ride (sitting properly, no eating, positive language...). Please discuss these with your child(ren) so they understand that you too are supporting the drivers to ensure a safe ride to and from school.
5. Dress Code: September can still bring about some hot days. Please remember the dress code for LCS: No strap shirts, no low-cut shirts, shorts must be mid-thigh in length, and please ensure shirts with logos are appropriate for school.
6. Communication: Cell phones enable quick and direct communication and many of you are connecting directly with your child's teacher. However, for transportation specifically, please contact the school office (519-291-3086 or office@listowelchristianschool.ca) so the administration can inform the bus drivers and we can ensure that everyone is aware of the plans for your child(ren). Classroom teachers are not expected, nor encouraged, to check their phones for information during the school day.

As always, if you have any joys or concerns, ideas or questions, feel free to contact me at the school by phone (519-291-3086) or email (principal@listowelchristianschool.ca). Let's partner as parents and teachers for the children God has blessed us with.

SCHOOL NEWS

Allergy Aware: LCS has committed ourselves to be a safe place for all people by raising our allergy awareness. Remember that all foods should be nut free. If you are using alternatives such as WOWBUTTER, please use the stickers so we are aware that the foods are acceptable. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Weekly Messenger: If you would like to receive the Weekly Messenger by email only, please contact Rita Ann at the office (office@listowelchristianschool.ca).

Need a special dessert for Thanksgiving or Christmas? Thursday, October 10th is "Pie Making Day" at *Listowel Christian School* and we invite you to help us with this great fundraiser. These tasty pies come in a variety of flavours and freeze very well. They keep up to 9 months in the freezer. All you have to do is pop them in the oven! Featured pies are apple and strawberry-rhubarb. Also available: apple crisp. If you prefer your own filling, a package of four unbaked pie shells is also available to purchase. Please return your order form (with payment)

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directly to the school by **September 22nd**. For more information or to volunteer your time to help with this annual fun event that builds “community” please contact Tanya Slotegraaf (519-291-6736), Michelle Hibbs (519-291-7292) or email us at lcschoolfundraising@gmail.com. There are two options to help: Wednesday evening October 9, starting at 7:00 pm, or Thursday, October 10 any time after 7:00 am. No pie making experience necessary. Lost or misplaced your order form? One of the above-named contacts will gladly send you a new one.

Clothing Orders: Just a reminder from the Promotions Committee! LCS clothing orders are due by September 20th! This is the last order of 2019 so if you’re looking for anything - grab it now!

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S	
September	October
9 – Board meeting	2 – Pizza Day
10 – Girls Soccer Practice (3:30-4:30)	3 – Cross Country Meet in Cambridge
11 – Boys Soccer Practice (3:30-4:30)	7 – Board Exec
18 – Return all Pizza/Milk order forms and payment	8 – LCS Thanksgiving lunch
20 – Clothing orders due	10 – Pie Making Day
22 – Return Pie Order forms	10 – Cross Country event in Brantford
26 – Soccer Tournament in Kitchener	14 – Thanksgiving Day (no school)
	16 – Pizza Day
	21 – LCS information evening
	24 & 25 – Edvance Convention (no school)



BIRTHDAY CORNER

Belated Birthdays: Henk B – Sept 6 Ciara B – Sept 8 Celebrating this week: Mrs. Heida

Sports – Soccer

Cleats or running shoes are required for all practices and students are recommended to also wear shin pads and proper socks. Bus notes: Make sure notes are in the office by lunch. Consider making a note for the soccer season. Our tournament is coming up on Thursday, September 26.

Girls Soccer Practices will be held on Tuesdays afterschool 3:15-4:30 and Wednesday at lunch 12:30-12:55

Looking forward to a great season!

Boys soccer practice is on Wednesday after school 3:15 - 4:30

FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

What a great first week! I was very impressed with all of the new JK students, they all did so well on their first day of school. I am excited to now join together as a whole class.

This week we will begin our regular schedule. This means that we will have Library and Music on Tuesday. Students will choose a book to bring home for one week from the Library, to be returned next week. Mrs. Wright will meet the students and teach them for their first music class. We will have our first Phys. Ed. class on Thursday as well as begin *Reading Buddies* with the Grade 3/4 class.

In **math** we will learn to recognize things that are the same and different.

In **language** we will practice recognizing the first letters of our names.

In **Bible** we begin our unit on *Creation*. Our first memory work is Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." We will work on this together in class but I would encourage you to practice at home as well.

In **health** we begin our first unit where we will learn that we are each created unique. We will look at our fingerprints to see how they are all different!

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Senior Kindergarten – Mrs. Heida

Wow! The first 3 days of school are done! We are busy learning new routines, exploring new play centers and interacting with each other again. We welcome Daniel, Fabian and Amelia to our class. They have been welcomed by their classmates and appear to be comfortable in the SK classroom.

September calendars have been emailed and a paper copy has been sent home.

On Monday we will have letter F **show and tell** and on Thursday we will focus on letter D. We will be engaging in listening and rhyming activities.

We will begin printing in our *Handwriting Without Tears* book.

In **math**, we will begin with sorting and working with numbers to 10.

In **Bible**, we will be learning the *Creation Story* and how much God cares for us and about us. We are His image bearers.

Scholastic orders have been sent home, you can order online or use the papers provided. This opportunity is optional and will be offered throughout the school year.

Any questions please feel free to contact me at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca. Have a great week!

Grade 1 – Mrs. Van Veen

Class News

What a wonderful first week of school! I can already tell that we are going to have an amazing year together.

Student Info - A student information sheet will be going home tonight, please fill out the form and return it to school in the envelope. Thanks!

Reminder - Please send in a paint shirt and a set of extra clothes (just in case).

Scholastics Flyers - Scholastic Ready Club flyers will be sent home for you this week. They will be due back (or online) on Sept 27th.

Library - Library begins this Wednesday and books will be due back the following week.

Curriculum

Spelling- our spelling program will begin next week.

We are beginning our first unit/topic in each subject. Here are some ways to help your child at home: Practice printing upper case and lower case letters, explore ways to sort objects (colour, size, shape etc.) and read books together.

A weekly homework sheet will be sent home starting next week.

Grade 2 and 3 – Mrs. Claus

We had a fantastic first week at school last week. I can't believe how great this class is already!

On Wednesday we have our first library day so expect to see books in backpacks.

Spelling: On Friday we will have our first spelling test:

Gr 2: in, did, at, had, not, red, get, but, hot, on

Gr 3: eight, ask, they, than, waved, takes, afraid, always, prey, great, away, catch, playing, said, stand

Memory Work: Next week Friday we will say our memory work: Ephesians 4:29

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."

Grade 3 and 4 – Mrs. Delleman

Welcome! - We enjoyed an awesome first week and I look forward to good year together! If you ever have any questions or concerns, please e-mail me at t.delleman@listowelchristianschool.ca.

SMARTBOARD!!! - Our class is very blessed to have a Smartboard! We use the Smartboard every day for various activities. Almost all lessons are done on the Smartboard and lesson slides can be sent as PDF files to parents. It is a great way for you to see what we have done in class and what students will need to study for quizzes and tests. If students are absent, notes can also be emailed to help students complete any missing work. If you would like me to send the Smartboard notes to you after every unit, please e-mail me and let me know you are interested, and I will send them to you through e-mail.

Memory Work - "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Students need to know our theme verse (Galatians 5:22-23) for FRIDAY. Starting next week, we will be working on memorizing the books of the Old Testament.

Spelling - We are starting Unit 1 words this week and will have dictation on FRIDAY. The Spelling lists (for the whole year) are on the Spelling City website. If you go to spellingcity.com and search "Delleman" my name will

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come up with "Listowel Christian School" next to it. When you click on "Mrs. Delleman" a list of all the units will open up. Grade 3 and 4 lists are all on there. When you click on the list name, the words appear as well as a button called "Games" where students can play a number of activities with their spelling words. I will be showing the website to students this week as well. We work on spelling words throughout the week and play games on the Smartboard to review every Friday. If you have trouble with the website or can't find a list, please email and let me know.

Cursive - We started last week already with letters "a" and "d". The cursive pages for these letters are due on FRIDAY. Students work on these letters throughout the week, but any work that is incomplete needs to be done for homework and returned every Friday. GRADE 3 pages are 5, 6, 28 (JUST letters "a" and "d") and GRADE 4 pages are 4, 12 (just the bottom two lines with lowercase "a" and "d").

Grade 5 and 6 – Mrs. Vogel

French: We are working on review and learning some verb conjugations.

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Katerberg

Our class had a good start to the school year with lots of introductions to the range of subjects and expectations for the school year. This week we will complete the introductory material. There are several things that may need to be completed at home this week.

Bible: Our Bible unit is *The Setting of God's Story*.

Memory work is Colossians 3: 12 - 14, this is due on Friday. "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity."

Word Work: Lesson 1 quiz on Friday.

Science: Students have been given an assignment that asks them to go stargazing with a parent on a clear evening. Please take some time in the next week or so (weather permitting) to complete this assignment.

Math: Students may have daily math homework. As a rule, no more than 30 minutes should be required to complete this.

Students have been signed onto **Google classroom** at school. They should also be able to work from home. On Friday, they were given a very short assignment to check and see they can log in from home. We will be using Google classroom for several of our subjects and assignments.

Grade 7 and 8 – Ms. tenBrink

Bible: To start off this year, we are looking at the how the Bible is one Story. This week any handouts (the Names of God and crossword), are due and are to be handed in by Friday. Don't forget to put your name and date that it was given at the top of the page. Remember to use the hand in bin in the classroom.

Memory work for this week will be Deuteronomy 6:4-6. Students should be ready to say or write it next week Wednesday, September 18.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mrs. Vogel

Welcome back! I'm excited to be back this year. Please don't hesitate to contact me by phone at the school or by email at j.vogel@listowelchristianschool.ca.

Note: I have a scent allergy, all deodorants need to be low scent and perfumes, body sprays, and colognes should be avoided. Thanks!

French: We are reviewing verb conjugations.

Art: Tessellation pieces should be handed in for a class collage.

Geography: We are reviewing mapping skills and the map of Canada should be handed in. Map of the world is this week's project.

Phys. Ed.: Remember to bring and wear gyms clothes.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Boelens

Math: We started with some "preseason" worksheets just to get us working, remembering, and setting good habits. This week we will begin our textbook work. Daily assignments will be given.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Katerberg

Science: We have started a cell unit. This week we will do some microscope work on Wednesday and plant and animal cell parts and functions on Thursday and Friday.

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