

WEEKLY MESSENGER
November 11, 2019

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

This week Friday our teachers will be writing report cards. As nervous as it might be for students, and possibly parents, to receive these reports, it is equally nerve-racking for teachers to write them. We want to ensure that we accurately and fairly portray the learning of each child as they are uniquely made in God's image. There will always be aspects to celebrate and there will also be areas for growth.

These reports will come home to you on Monday, November 25. When you receive these reports, please accept them as an indication of your child's journey – not a predictor of their destination. They are growing, learning, and maturing as we, teachers and parents, are directing and leading. There will be opportunities to discuss your child's learning at the Parent-Teacher conferences.

This Thursday, after school the teachers will collectively put together a schedule for Parent Teacher conferences that will be held after school on Thursday, November 28 and during the morning of Friday, November 29. Due to our larger class sizes, we will require more parents to come on Friday morning than we have in past years. If this is a possibility or even a preference for you, please let the office or your classroom teacher know so we can provide the best schedule possible.

SCHOOL NEWS

Staffing Update: Mrs. Wright's maternity leave is quickly approaching. She will teach until the end of this month and then go on her maternity leave. We are excited for her and pray that God will bless her with another healthy baby. We are also excited to have hired Mrs. Julia Duiella-Boekestyn to fill the music teacher position for the remainder of this school year. Mrs. Duiella-Boekestyn was recently married and moved to Listowel and is on our supply teaching list. We welcome her to a more permanent position on our staff.

A number of weeks ago, a **Volunteer Opportunities at LCS form** was sent home. Thank you to those who have returned those forms. However, we are still looking for more forms to be returned. If you require another copy of the form, please contact the school office.

LCS Fall Membership Meeting will be held next week Monday, November 18, 2019. Agendas were sent home last week.

Student Leadership: On Thursday November 14th, 2019 we are excited to host Wacky Hair Day! Come with colourful, crazy, over the top wild hair styles! At the Gaga Ball Tournament, we will be able to appreciate everyone's creative efforts! Have fun!

Christmas Décor Needed: The Bazaar Committee is looking for Christmas Décor! Have any new/gently used Christmas decorations you are no longer using? We would love to take them off your hands! Please drop off at school as soon as possible so we can start using them! Thank you for your help.

LCS Fundraising Committee Fundraisers – Please note the due dates for these orders. All orders and payments should be returned to the school office (cheques payable to LCS Fundraising).

- Fry Pies: Orders and payments are due by November 14 (November 15th is a PD Day). Fry pies will be available for pick up at the bazaar.
- Christmas Trees: Orders and payments due by Friday, November 15. Trees are available for pick up on Thursday, December 5.
- Available for purchase: 7 apple crisps (\$9.50 ea) ~~5 pkgs of pie shells (4 shells/pkg \$12 per pkg) ~~10 bags of dough (\$5 per bag). Please contact Michelle Hibbs (519-291-7292/coolmom343@gmail.com).

Helmets for skating: On December 20 and several days throughout the month of January, we will be going skating at the Steve Kerr Arena in Listowel. There has been a lot of focus on importance of protecting the head from falls, or potential falls, while skating. Once again, we will be enforcing a practice that every skater must wear a helmet. Helmets could be hockey helmets, bike helmets, or any other kind of safety helmet. We trust that you will have enough time between now and December 20th to arrange to have a helmet.

The Grade 7-8 students are entering their last fundraisers before their trip in February 2020. You are invited to participate and purchase these items while supporting our Grade 7-8s. All cheques are payable to LCS Student Activity Fund.

- Harriston Packing (meat fundraiser): All orders and money are due to the office no later than November 14th (earlier is helpful). Meat will be delivered to the school on December 4th and must be picked up on that day.
- Flowers and Pastries: Once again we are selling poinsettias and pastries for the Christmas season. All orders are due at the school by November 14th.

BAZAAR NEWS - Saturday, November 23rd 8am-1pm at LCS

Volunteers are still needed for games, food order table, kitchen, toy store and more. Sign up on-line https://signup.com/go/VeXBLMr or contact Lauren Wilting (519-498-3125)

Food Donations: There are still many items needed (boxes of bacon, hashbrown casseroles, muffins, pies & cheesecakes). Sign up on-line https://signup.com/go/aviskNh or contact Lauren Wilting.

Grocery and Food Donations: All food items should be at the school on Friday, November 22. Please bring items to the gym kitchen

Baking for the bake table: Donations of all sorts of baked or homemade goodies are needed. Specialty items such as homemade fudge, jams, apple sauce, and fancy baking are well received.

Toonie Jars: Bring your filled jars in to the school. Lots of jars are needed still.

Toy Store: Lots of toys have come in but we are still in need of new or gently used toys. Toys must be clean and in excellent condition. Contact: Rhonda Weber at 519-588-0634 or email gweber@wightman.ca.

Brunch buffet will be available 8am -1pm.

Take Out Meals: The Lasagna dinner and Boerenkool dinner can be ordered for take-out again this year. Take-Out Meals must be pre-ordered by Monday Nov. 18th. Please phone Lauren Wilting 519-498-3125 or email liwilting@gmail.com to order your meals. *Orders will be ready for pick up at 10:30 a.m.*

BIRTHDAY CORNER

Celebrating this week: Kase K - Nov 15



UPCOMING EVENTS	
November	December
11 – Board meeting	2 – Board Exec
14 – Wacky Hair Day, Gaga Ball tournament	2- Gift Card orders due at midnight
14 – Return meat orders, poinsettia and pastry orders	4 – Pizza Day
14 - Piano and Voice Recital for Mrs. Wright's	4 – Meat, Poinsettia and Pastries Delivery
students at 7pm.	5 - Grade 8 Day at Woodland
15 – PD Day (no school)	9 – Board meeting
18 – LCS Fall Membership meeting	17 – Christmas Concert (1pm & 7pm)
20 – Volleyball tournament (Cambridge)	18 – Pizza Day
20 – Pizza Day	20 – School Skating
20 – Volleyball tournament	Dec 21 – Jan 5 – Christmas Break
23 – Annual Bazaar at LCS	Jan 6 – first day back for 2020
25 – First Term report cards go home	
28 – Parent Teacher Conferences (evening)	
29 – Parent Teacher Conferences (no school)	

SPORTS

Boys Volleyball - practice after school on Tuesday (3:30 – 4:30pm).

Girls Volleyball - practice after school on Wednesday (3:30-4:30pm).

We are planning to attend the Volleyball Tournament on November 20. **We still need one more driver to drive the boys team to Trinity Christian School in Burlington.** Please contact Mr. Katerberg if you or anyone you know can drive the boys to Burlington.

FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Music - Mrs. Wright

It's hard to believe we are well into November and Christmas is around the corner! A song sheet with the lyrics for the songs for our Christmas concert will be sent home today. Please work with your child at memorizing the lyrics for the songs that their class will be singing.

Grades 1 and 2: We are learning about Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" and are learning our songs for the Christmas concert.

Grades 2 and 3: We are wrapping up our unit on Instrument families and moving into learning our carols for the Christmas concert.

Grades 3 and 4: We have been learning the notes B and A on recorder and how to produce a good tone. Second year players were reviewing "Lucy Locket." Students should now have a recorder at home to practice on.

Grades 5 and 6: Students are working on the C scale and "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" on recorder. There is a playing test on these pieces today and tomorrow. Students should have a recorder at home to practice on.

Grades 7 and 8: We are working on learning "Go Tell it on the Mountain" on ukulele and voice.

Junior Kindergarten - Mrs. Baarda

We continue with our **transportation theme** this week with a "car wash" sensory, sponge painting a car picture, and some vehicle themed songs and games.

For **show and tell** this week Zion and Henry are scheduled for Tuesday and Drew and Skylar are scheduled for Thursday.

Our **focus letter** this week is Ff and we will learn the letter F song from Jolly Phonics. We will also continue to work in our *Handwriting Without Tears* workbook, focusing on pencil grip.

In math, we are learning how to print numbers 1-10. We will also look at position words.

In **Bible**, we will learn more about Moses and the Exodus.

We will also be looking at what will and will not roll down a ramp.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week we will **focus on the letter** C and letter A. Please send in a **show and tell** on Tuesday for letter c and on Thursday for letter a.

We will be looking at the Jack and Jill rhyme and making up our own rhymes.

In **math** we will continue to look at shapes and their attributes.

In **Bible**, we will learn about Jacob and his marriage to Rachel and Leah.

We are also beginning to practice for the Christmas Concert.

On Thursday we look forward to **Wacky Hair Day** and playing **gaga ball** with our teams.

On Friday there is no school as teachers will be writing report cards. Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Van Veen

Class News

It's a 4-day week here at LCS, I'm looking forward to all our new learning! A few notes:

- * Library books are due back Wednesday. Notes about overdue books have been sent home.
- * There are new Scholastic book orders this month. If you would like to order, please do so online by searching for our school and then Emma van Veen.

Curriculum:

Spelling: The week our words are: **book**, **cat**, **name**, **are**, **but**. The bonus words this week are the days of the week (we'll try these again because we didn't have time last week).

Bible: We are exploring the life of Isaac and Jacob. We will have a quiz on Tuesday before we begin our unit on Joseph.

Memory Work: "I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land."

Genesis 28:15

French: Ask your child to tell you a bit about our play!

Math: Addition/subtraction quizzes will go home today. We have started a new unit on *Graphing*.

Creation Studies: Thank you for your help with all your family leaves for this project. I'm looking forward to building the trees this week.

Homework: The weekly homework sheet is due back on Thursday. As always, please email me if you have any questions or concerns.

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

On this Remembrance Day we had the opportunity to lead the school in an assembly. It was a meaningful time of remembering all who have fought and sacrificed for our freedom. I want to thank you for the support at home in learning the poem and the various parts assigned.

This week:

Monday: **Bible** test on *Creation*. Wednesday: **Scholastic** is due.

Thursday: **Spelling** test:

Gr 2: some, come, home, fun, funny, run, running, ran, us, use

Gr 3: way, these, niece, might, show, float, brain, mean, close, tried, cube, uniform, stayed, price, usually

Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman

This week Thursday is the new Friday! We will still have memory work, cursive, and dictation, but on THURSDAY instead.

Memory Work: Psalm 67:4 - "May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth." - due THURSDAY

Spelling: We are doing Unit 10 words this week. Dictation is on THURSDAY.

Cursive: Last week we did letters "n" and "m". The cursive pages for these letters are due on THURSDAY. Grade 3 pages are 11 and 34, and Grade 4 pages are 32 and 36.

Thank You! Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers, card and Kernels gift card I received for my birthday last Monday! Special thanks to Mrs. Los who came in with cupcakes to celebrate!

Grade 5 and 6 - Mrs. Vogel

French: Look for the French quiz in the envelope today. Well done everyone!

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Katerberg

Bible: We are working on a Bible unit called "Later Judean Ministry."

Word Work: Lesson 9 test on Thursday, November 14.

Science: In science students are continuing to plan a moon mission. This week we will complete our habitat design.

Math: We will be adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing decimals.

Writing: Our writing assignment will be a short essay using our four-square writing structure.

Reading: We are nearing the end of our novel study *Mystery at Cranberry Farm.*

Health: Students are writing a proposal for the disease they want to do their project on. This proposal will be due next week.

Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. tenBrink

Bible: This week we are finishing off unit 2 with our presentations. There will be no test for this unit. Students will also be handing in their unit notes on Wednesday. Make sure all handouts are complete and are in the proper order. Check the whiteboard in the class if you are unsure.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mrs. Vogel

Scholastic orders due Thursday.

Art: Sketch book assignment due Thursday.

Health: Project due Thursday.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Woodland Ambassadors: On Tuesday some students from Woodland Christian High School will present the idea of high school to our Grade 7-8 students and get the Grade 8s thinking about next year's opportunities.

Math: Students are working through a room decoration project using ratios. A thorough worksheet was provided to them. Parents, ask your child to see their work. Maybe they will ask you to remodel their bedroom.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

Science: This week we will focus on chapter 3 review, quiz on Thursday.

Requested Announcements:

Woodland Parent Information Night – Thursday, December 5 at 7:30pm. Talk to teachers – tour the school – experience a mini-class. Call the school at 519-648-2114 for more information or visit www.woodland.on.ca **Grade 8 Day is scheduled for Thursday, December 5th. Lunch is provided and transportation is available.

LDSS Parent Information Night - On Thursday, December 12 (Inclement Weather date Monday, December 16) LDSS will host a Grade 9 Parent's night. Parents are welcome to attend with their students to see the school and the programs we offer. We will begin in the gym at 6:00 pm with an open house until 7:30.

**Grade 8 Day is scheduled for Tuesday December 10 (weather date Thursday, December 12) 9:30 – 2:30pm.