

WEEKLY MESSENGER

November 4, 2019

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Friday morning we woke up to a blanket of show. Typically, our first snowfall disappears as the morning temperatures increase and by our first recess time, we are back to a green landscape. That was not the case on Friday. Soccer balls and baseballs remained inside as recess activities changed to rolling large snowballs for snow forts and snowmen (or maybe today we say snow people). From the inside looking out, it was a beautiful scene.

I have to admit, I was not prepared for my lunch hour recess duty. Not only did I not bring mitts, which made rolling snowballs a little cold on the hands, but I was also not prepared for the interactions among students. As pretty as it looked from inside the school, outside there were lots of things to deal with such as inclusion (Who is allowed in our snow fort?), and possession (If someone rolled a large snow ball at the end of first recess is it still theirs at second recess or is it first-come first -served?), cooperative play (Are people in other forts our allies or our enemies?), and respect of property (Are we allowed to wreck other forts?) Whew, these are big issues and they all appeared at the student level on Friday.

Abraham Kuyper said, "There is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry, Mine!" If I think about recess duty, we could also extrapolate that to say, "There is not a minute or a second of our time that God does not present us with teaching opportunities and opportunities to show Christlike character". As teachers, we are not off duty during recess time.

I would have to admit I didn't get it all right nor solve all the issues on Friday. If there is any positive spin on the upcoming winter, I will have more white recess times to try again!

SCHOOL NEWS

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 on Monday, November 18, 2019. Agendas will be sent home soon. Hope to see many of you in attendance.

FundScrip orders are due tonight at midnight. Delivery is Friday, Nov. 8 at LCS. Want to sign up for FundScrip or have questions about FundScrip? Don't hesitate to contact me, Janel Hiemstra at giftcardprogramlcs@gmail.com.

Student Leadership: Next *Spirit Day* and *Team Event* will be Thursday, November 14, 2019. We will have Wacky Hair Day so start planning now! For our team event, we will play a Gaga Ball Tournament!

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).

- **Croquette orders:** Orders and payments due by Wednesday, November 6. Croquettes will be available for pick up on Friday, November 22 at 3pm or the day of the bazaar (November 23).
- Fry Pies: Orders and payments are due by November 15. 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) ~~13 bags of dough (\$5 per bag). Please contact Michelle Hibbs (519-291-7292/coolmom343@gmail.com) if you are interested in purchasing these.

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BAZAAR NEWS - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2019, 8AM-1PM AT LCS

Food donations and volunteer help is needed for the bazaar. Please use this link to sign up for donations: https://signup.com/go/aviskNh. Please use this link to sign up for volunteer shifts: https://signup.com/go/vexblm.

Reminder: Brunch buffet will be available 8am -1pm. 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.

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.

Toy Store Items Needed: In the GAMES area at the Bazaar, the children (and adults) collect coupons when they play the games. These coupons are then traded in for toys from the "Toy Store". The "Toy Store" needs new and used toy donations. Please remember that used toys MUST BE CLEAN and in EXCELLENT condition. Contact Rhonda Weber (519-588-0634 / gweber@wightman.ca), or Carolyn Wagler (519-897-1002 / carolyn_kuepfer@hotmail.com) for more information. The toys can be brought into the school office.

Craft Items Needed: The craft area of our bazaar is extremely popular as we try to offer a wide array of crafts. We are always looking for new ideas. Do you or someone you know enjoy sewing, knitting, making jewelry, painting, woodworking, etc., please consider making a donation. Feel free to contact Alana Siebring (519-291-7709 / alanalaurendekkema@gmail.com) or contact Henrike Reitzema (519-261-2244 / henrikedeetman@hotmail.com) for more information.

Toonie Jars Needed: The Toonie Jars were a big hit at previous bazaars, and they will be back again this year. Just to refresh your memory, you can fill an empty jar with items such as packs of gum, candy, jewelry, small toys, marbles, pencils, lego, hair accessories, hot wheel cars, etc. Anything you would like to win yourself would be a great Toonie Jar filler.

Baking for the Bake Table: Donations of baked or homemade goodies are needed for the day of the Bazaar to sell. Specialty items such as homemade fudge, jams, apple sauce and baking: such as cookies, bread, loafs etc. are well received. Baking items needs to be brought into school by the end of the school day on Friday, November 22.

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): We typically run this fundraiser in May but there have been a few requests to run a meat fundraiser now. So, in order to meet the need for meat, we will take meat orders until November 14th. 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. Individual Grade 7-8 students have order forms. If you have not been called before November 10th, feel free to call one of them or call the school and we will take your order. All orders are due at the school by November 14th.

BIRTHDAY CORNER

Belated Birthday: Jerry G – Nov 2

Celebrating this week: Lux D – Nov 7 Zackary J – Nov 7 Jordie C – Nov 9

UPCOMING EVENTS	
November	December
4 – Board Exec	2 – Board Exec
5 – Volleyball Clinic at Woodland	2 – Gift Card orders due at midnight
6 – Pizza Day	4 – Pizza Day
6 – Croquette orders due	5 – Grade 8 Day at Woodland
8 – Gift Card delivery	9 – Board meeting
11 – Remembrance Day Assembly at 9:00am	18 – Pizza Day
11 – Board meeting	20 – School Skating
14 – Wacky Hair Day, Gaga Ball tournament	Dec 21 – Jan 5 – Christmas Break
14 – Return meat orders, poinsettia and pastry	Jan 6 – First day back for 2020
orders	
14 - Piano and Voice Recital for Mrs. Wright's	
students at 7pm.	
15 – PD Day (no school)	
18 – LCS Fall Membership meeting	
20 – Volleyball tournament (Cambridge)	
20 – Pizza Day	
23 – Annual Bazaar at LCS	
25 – First Term report cards go home	
28 – Parent Teacher Conferences (evening)	
29 - Parent Teacher Conferences (no school)	

SPORTS

Boys Volleyball - no after school practice this week.

Girls Volleyball will practice after school on Wednesdays (3:30-4:30pm) as well as lunch hour on Tuesdays. Our first volleyball event for both teams will be the Woodland clinic on November 5. Players with family members at Woodland travel with brothers or sisters to Woodland on the Woodland bus. All other players meet at LCS at 7:30 am. Return time to LCS is going to be around 4:15 pm. A volleyball information sheet was sent out on Friday. Please complete and return immediately. More information on the tournament on November 20 will be given to students and parents as details become available.

FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Music - Mrs. Wright

Students in Mrs. Delleman's and Mr. Katerberg's class: Please ensure your child has a recorder at home to practice on. Please purchase a soprano recorder with German fingering for your child. These recorders can stay at home as we have a class set at the school for the students to use here. It is important for the students to have an instrument at home to get more familiar with the notes and fingerings and to hear themselves on their own. There will be some playing tests and assignments to be practiced on the recorder.

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

Our **theme** for November is *Transportation*. We will be looking at vehicles that travel by land, air, and sea. This week we will make a shape collage, sing "The Wheels on the Bus" and play Red Light, Green Light. For **show and tell** this week August and Fianna are scheduled for Tuesday and Cody and Colin are on for Thursday.

Our **focus letter** this week is E. We will learn the Jolly Phonics song for letter E.

We will be practicing matching pictures and letters this week and will begin using our *Handwriting Without Tears* workbooks.

In **math** we continue our number sense unit by counting down from 10 and we will learn and practice how to print the numerals 1-5.

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Our new focus colour for November is yellow, our shape is the circle and our number is 3.

In **Bible** we will learn what happened to Joseph in Egypt and we will read about Miriam and baby Moses. Our new memory verse is "Love the Lord your God with all your heart with all your soul and with all your strength." Deuteronomy 6:5. We will practice this in class each day.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

The fruit of the Spirit this month is FAITHFULNESS. We will talk about how God was faithful to those who fought in the war. And how God is faithful to us all the time.

This week we will **focus on the letters** Y and Z. Show and tell on Monday was for letter Y and for Thursday letter Z. We will use *Nursery Rhymes* to help us hear rhyming words and create nonsense words. Our new **sight word** will be 'had', please send in book bags on Friday.

Throughout the month of October, the students worked on a small repetitive book called "Coloured Apples", please take a moment to read this book with your child. It is in their envelope today.

In **Bible** we will learn about Jacob, Esau and the birthright and how Jacob had to flee from his family.

In **math**, we continue to review numbers to 10 and will review 2D shapes.

Scholastic orders have been sent home, please order online or send back the paper order with a cheque made to Scholastic by November 11th, 2019.

Lots of "Fall" crafts came home today. Take a moment to look at them. Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Van Veen

Class News

Welcome to November! I can't believe how quickly time flies when you're having fun in grade 1! I hope that this month will be full of great learning opportunities. I would also like to say "thank you" for your continued support -LCS really is an amazing community.

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.

*Please try to make sure that you/your child packs the utensils they need in their lunch. We are running out of our emergency stash.

We have found the bottom part of a small circular Tupperware container in our room. If it belongs to your family, please let me know.

Curriculum:

Spelling: The week our words are: **big**, **they**, **yes**, **no**, **she**. The bonus words this week are the days of the week (we'll try these again).

Bible: We are exploring the life of Isaac and Jacob.

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

Math: We will have an addition/subtraction guiz on Wednesday.

Creation Studies: We are learning about families and communities. We are beginning our first project by creating a family tree. I have sent home an information sheet. If you could help by providing the names of your family members on the leaves, that would be wonderful. These will be due back next Monday (Nov 11). We will do our presentations on Tuesday (Nov 12).

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

We have entered a new month. This month always brings about a lot of busyness in Grade 2/3 as we are hosting the Remembrance Day Assembly, report cards are being worked on, students are being assessed, I am coaching the Girls Volleyball Team, and the dreaded white stuff usually shows up. Yet, we carry on with our routine and do our best.

I sent an email to everyone on Friday regarding our **assembly** and the reading of Flanders Fields by our class. **Please remember to practice** it at home (just the highlighted part).

I am away tomorrow with the volleyball team at Woodland Christian High School. We will be working on our skills with students from Woodland. The class will have a supply teacher, Julia Duiella Boekestyn for the day.

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Friday is our **Spelling** Test:

Grade 2: the, that, them, day, may, made, was, of, if, a

Grade 3: swimming, swam, getting, coming, came, having, doing, ended, happened, happening, started, joked, received, smiled, smiling

Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman

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 NEXT Thursday.

Spelling: We are doing Unit 9 words this week. Dictation is on FRIDAY.

Cursive: Last week we did letters "u" and "w". The cursive pages for these letters are due on FRIDAY. Grade 3 pages are 15, 16, 26 (JUST letters "u" and "w") and Grade 4 pages are 52 and 58 (just the bottom two lines with lowercase "u" and "w").

Remembrance Day Competition: Students have been working on Remembrance Day artwork over the past couple weeks. Today there are entry forms going home with students. Sections A-E need to be filled out and returned by WEDNESDAY when the Legion is coming to pick up student artwork.

Grade 5 and 6 - Mrs. Vogel

French: Quiz on singular -re verbs on Wednesday (je, tu, il/elle/qui + verb)

Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

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

Word work: Lesson 8 test on Friday, November 8.

Science: In science, students are planning a moon mission.

Math: We have started a unit on decimals.

Writing Our creative writing assignment is Remembrance Day. Students are asked to write an essay and / or a poem.

Last week a **Legion Contest Entry** form was sent home. They need to be completed, signed and returned. Completed art work and Remembrance Day writing will be entered in the Legion contests if the form is returned by November 6.

Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. tenBrink

Bible: This week students will spend time looking at the feasts that we have studied over the last few weeks. Students will be working in groups to create a presentation that looks at the Old Testament feast and what it looks like today. Presentations will be next week Monday and Wednesday. This group project will replace the unit 2 test.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mrs. Vogel

French: We are starting a new unit called Je me present - you can look up the song on YouTube if you'd like to listen to it at home.

History: We started our first history unit on New France and British North America last week. We are working on comparing the maps of what will become Canada in 1700 and Canada in 1999 with the addition of Nunavut. **Guided Reading:** We are starting our study of "The Hobbit" this week.

Writing: Students should have handed in their Remembrance Day writing (poem and/or essay) with their filled in forms today.

Art: Remembrance Day art is due tomorrow (Tuesday, November 5) with the filled in form.

Health: Posters or written proposals are due Thursday, November 6.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Math: We completed our Ratio unit. Students will bring home their marked work for the unit to be signed and returned to school. This week we will work 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 will focus on chapter 2 review, Quiz on Thursday.

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