

WEEKLY MESSENGER
February 18, 2020

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

When will I learn? I used to say that January and February were good teaching months with few disruptions to teachers covering their curriculum in their classrooms. This year I am also constantly reminded that we haven't even had a snow day in 2020 yet. Still, somehow that rarely plays out in covering as much curriculum as I imagine it should.

This year again we notice that the traditional classroom time is competing for other activities. It doesn't mean that learning stops – it just changes. During an assembly on Love, we learn that being saturated by the unending love of God enables us to show love to our peers and neighbours. On field trips, whether to Ottawa or the local public library, we see that learning can happen outside a classroom from people other than teachers. As we participated in a team activity, we learned to ask for help and to help and that serving and being served are normal parts of life. Or for 100s day, we are introduced to three digit numbers and wonder what life is like to be 100 years old.

I am still learning. Maybe January and February are great teaching months with all these activities and opportunities. We can show our students that learning happens everywhere and all the time as we show them all the intricacies of God's world. We encourage them to be life-long learners too.

SCHOOL NEWS

From the Fundraising Committee: Our 2020 Spring Auction will be held March 27, 2020 (Note the new date). This year the organizing committee has made a change. All families (except brand new JK-only families) will be canvassing for donations. We have sent a letter to all our prospective donors and the canvasser's job is follow up and pick up the donated items.

A reminder that the "canvasser packages" containing a letter with your instructions and your list (fewer than 5 businesses, mostly local to your family) were sent home last week. We ask that you call or visit your list within 2 weeks of receiving your package. Auction donation records were sent home. Please use these to record items donated. Thank you in advance for your help! Any questions or concerns, please contact Chandra Los at 519-292-9831 or derek.chandra.los@gmail.com.

UPCOMIN	G EVENTS
February	March
19 – Pizza Day (Domino's)	2 – Board Exec
20 – Pastor's Breakfast	4 – Pizza Day
21 – Board & Staff Social	7 – LCS Information Morning (9am - 12noon)
24 – Education Committee Meeting	9 – Board meeting
28 – Basketball Tournament (Kitchener)	16 – 20 March Break (no school)
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	27 – Spring Auction (NEW DATE)
	30 – Term 2 Report Card go home

BIRTHDAY CORNER

Celebrating this week: Craig E. – Feb 18 Darren R. – Feb 19 Sophie D. – Feb 21 Timothy K. – Feb 21

Sebastian T. - Feb 21 Dax V. - Feb 21



School Theme – The Fruit of the Spirit "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians 5: 22-23 (NIV)

LCS Information Morning will be held on Saturday, March 7 from 9am – 12noon. If you know of a family that has shown interest in LCS please bring them or invite them to LCS for a tour and to learn more on what we are all about. Please contact the office for more information. Our next New Student Registration day is April 21.

Re-Enrolment Form: We sent several Weekly Messenger links to an online re-enrolment form. Last week we sent reminder emails. We are trying to determine the best class arrangements for next year that will show financial stewardship, opportunities for growth, and quality education. If you haven't filled out your form, we don't have all the information we require to make these decisions. Please help us by filling out that form. If you need a paper copy, let the office know and we can provide that for you.

SPORTS

Basketball: The boys plan to practice Wednesdays after school. The girls will practice Wednesday after school too so parents can coordinate rides as well as Thursdays at lunch. Tournament date is February 28. We will need drivers so please contact Ed Boelens if you can drive.

FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

This week we will continue with our Love theme and learning about how we can show love to others.

For show and tell this week Marcus and Monique are on for Tuesday and Derek and Nixon are on for Thursday. Our Focus letter this week is R and we will learn the Jolly Phonics song for R.

In our workbooks, we will be learning to print the letters P, B, and R.

In Math, we will look at Duration and talk about which things take a long time and which things take a short time.

In Bible, we will learn about how Jesus helps sad people and people who are scared.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

Hope that everyone had a great Family Day weekend!

This week we will keep reading the decodable reader Nan and Lad focusing on the sight words "have" and "as". The students will also receive a reader for the word "have". Please encourage them to read it as well. It is NOT on your reading log. Be sure to keep reading fun! Reading 10 minutes a day is greatly beneficial to your child's reading and language development. Please send in book bags on Friday.

On Thursday, bring a show and tell that begins with the letter "U".

In math, we continue to work on patterning by colour, shape, and size. We continue with number recognition and printing.

In Bible, we will learn how the Israelites were grumbling when they reached the Red Sea and yet God provides for them again. God is so faithful.

Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Van Veen

We have another busy 4-day week in grade 1 coming up! As always, I pray that it will be full of awesome learning opportunities.

A few notes:

- * Library books are due back tomorrow.
- * February Scholastics orders have been sent home. I will put in the order on the 24th.
- * Please ensure that all extra clothes that have been used are returned to school so that we have them on hand Curriculum:

Spelling: No words this week, we will be working on spelling strategies this week instead.

Language: We will learn about nonfiction texts this week!

Bible: We will have a guiz on Samuel and Saul this week and learn more about King David.

Math: We're starting a new unit on measurement.

Creation Studies: We are learning about the sky, seasons and weather

Homework: I will be sending home a math activity and sight word practice sheet this week.

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Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

We celebrated 100 days of school today! Wow, what a day. Thank you for everyone who helped the kids participate.

Math: Both grades are starting new units. Grade 2 is appropriately learning about addition and subtraction to 100! Grade 3 is learning about measurement.

Bible: We are finishing up our unit on Isaac and Jacob.

Socials: We are learning about other communities around the world with a focus on China.

Spelling Test is on Friday:

Group 3: she ship shell dish wish

Group 2: more store stand star blew flew new stone sting ring

Group 1: disagree, again, given, other, money, problem, does, of, some, laid, change, tired, read, nice, lower

Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman

IKnowlt - There is a new assignment on iknowit.com (Symmetry) that is due on THURSDAY. In order to do the assignments, students need to log on and click the icon that appears under "My Assignments". A new assignment will appear on Thursday night.

Spelling - We are continuing Unit 22 words this week. Dictation will be on FRIDAY.

Memory Work - 1 Samuel 16:7b - "The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."- due FRIDAY

Grade 5 and 6 - Mrs. Vogel

French -

Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

Bible: In Bible we are working on a unit entitled, "Jesus' Death."

Word work: No new lesson this week.

Science: We will continue our "Structures" unit.

Math: We are working on fractions. The first part is a Jump Math fractions introduction. We hope to complete that

part of the unit this week.

Writing: We are wrapping up our work on our speeches. This week we will complete our research and start

memorizing our speech. Our speeches will be presented in class next week Tuesday.

Literature: Students are working on board games for The Magician's Nephew.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mrs. Vogel

Geography - quiz today.

WWW - work due and test on Friday.

Reminder to bring in Ottawa scrapbooks as they arrive over the next couple weeks.

Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. ten Brink

Bible - Questions from last week, pg 119, are due tomorrow. Memory work, Proverbs 3:7-12, is also due on Friday. Students should be prepared to either write or say it to me. Midterm reports are also due back signed by Wednesday.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Math: This week we will continue with our data management unit. Given all the disruption of our math classes with the Ottawa trip, MAP testing and holidays, it is slow going through this unit. Tuesday both classes should complete the mid unit reviews and continue with the second half of the unit. Daily work is required.

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Science: On Wednesday the inventor /invention projects are due. Presentations in class on Wednesday and Thursday (if needed). Our next item will be the mouse trap cars. Start looking for materials and planning your car. We will have in-class time next week to build it.

Requested Announcements:

GRADE 9 REGISTRATION REMINDER: Woodland Christian High School applications and course selection sheets for Grade 9 registration are being accepted for the 2020-2021 school year. Your forms must be received before March 1, 2020, to ensure that your preferences in the Arts and Technologies are available. After March 1, course selections will be on a first come first serve basis. If you are unsure about Christian High School education or have financial questions, please book a tour or appointment with the school office: advancement@woodland.on.ca or call: 519-648-2114 ext. 141.

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