

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

This week is another smorgasbord of things:

1. Several weeks ago, we sent out an online re-enrolment form hoping that parents would fill it out electronically quicker than the traditional paper copies. Half of the families have returned them, but we are hoping for 100% returned (due date is Friday). Next week the Board will meet, and we will begin discussions about enrolment and class sizes. The more information we can have from you the better. If you can't find the email, contact Rita Ann and she can forward it to you. Let's make it a priority to fill out that form.
2. This week we welcome the DesJardine family to LCS. Jocelyn is in Grade 7, Olivia is in Grade 5, and Bella is in Grade 3. We thank God for this family and we pray that their transition into the LCS community will be a blessing.
3. Pray for general health. Many of our staff, students and LCS families are struggling right now to stay healthy, everything from the flu to unknown ailments. As this lingers, sometimes frustration and disappointment set in. Pray that God will heal every person so they can play a vibrant role in our school and in God's kingdom.
4. I am away this week with the Grade 7-8 class on their Ottawa trip. If you need to get a hold of me, you can still email, text, or call me. Mr. Katerberg is in charge of any day-to-day things that arise at school.

SCHOOL NEWS

Supply Teachers: We have been blessed with good supply teachers. However, they are increasingly busy, so we are looking to add people to our list. If you know of a teacher who might be interested in being on our supply teacher list, filling in for teachers when they are away, please let Ed Boelens know or have them contact him at (principal@listowelchristianschool.ca).

FundScrip Order: Reminder that tonight at midnight is the deadline for the next FundScrip Gift Card Order. Delivery is set for Friday, Feb. 7.

Student Leadership: February's Team Event and Spirit Day will be Thursday, February 13th, 2020. We will wear red, pink, or white or all the colours and will have a heart hunt throughout the school building. Looking forward to it!

Battle of the Books (Junior) - We are starting our official practices this week! Team A (Grade 4 team) will meet on Mondays at snack recess and Team B (Grade 5/6 team) will meet on Wednesdays at snack recess. We will be picking our "expert" books and practicing lightning round questions this week. Meetings will take place in the Grade 3/4 classroom. - Mrs. Delleman

From the Fundraising Committee: Our 2020 Spring Auction will be held April 3, 2020. This year the organizing committee has made a change. This year **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.

TODAY, you will receive an envelope in kidmail containing your "canvasser package" containing a letter with your instructions and your list (fewer than 5 businesses, mostly local to your family). We ask that you call or visit your list within 2 weeks of receiving your package. Thank you in advance for your help! A reminder notice will be sent out. Any questions or concerns, please contact Chandra Los at 519-292-9831 or derek.chandra.los@gmail.com.

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.

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BIRTHDAY CORNER

Celebrating this week: Michaela L – Feb 3 Zander S – Feb 4 Zion D – Feb 6 Scott G – Feb 6
Zachary W – Feb 6 Hayley V – Feb 7 Nadine N – Feb 8 Emilie R – Feb 9



U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

February	March
3 – Board Exec 5 – Pizza Day (New Orleans) 3 rd – 6 th - Grade 7/8 Ottawa Trip 6 – SK trip to the library 7 – Grade 7/8 not at school 10 – Board meeting 12 – Boys Basketball practice (3:30 – 4:30) 13 – Team Event 14 – PD Day (no school) 17 – Family Day (no school) 19 – Pizza Day (Domino's) 20 – Pastor's Breakfast 21 – Board & Staff Social 28 – Basketball Tournament (Kitchener)	2 – Board Exec 4 – Pizza Day 7 – LCS Information Morning (9am - 12noon) 9 – Board meeting 16 – 20 March Break (no school) 25 – Pizza Day

SPORTS

Basketball: Basketball sign-ups are this week and Monday. The boys plan to practice Wednesdays after school starting Feb 12.

FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

Our **theme** for February is Love and Family. We will be continuing to talk about our families and the family of God and how we can show love to them. We will be doing some different heart themed art activities this month as well.

Show and tell this week: Tuesday - August and Fianna, Thursday - Cody and Colin.

Our **focus letter** this week is P and we will learn the Jolly Phonics song to help us remember the sound P makes. In our Handwriting Without Tears workbooks we will print the letters G and S.

In **math**, we will continue our measurement unit by exploring mass. Our new focus colour is pink, our focus shape is heart and our focus number is 6.

In **Bible**, we will read more about Jesus and how he healed a deaf man and a lame man.

Senior Kindergarten – Mrs. Heida

This week our **focus letters** will be lowercase letters that begin by making the magic c. So we will be focusing on letters "c" and "a".

Our **show and tell** item for Thursday is something that begins with the letter "a".

In **math**, we will be focusing on building patterns and working with various manipulatives to create all kinds of patterns.

In **Bible**, we will begin a unit on Moses and how God uses Moses to free the Israelites from Egypt. Our new memory verse will be: Exodus 15:2- "The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise Him, my Father's God, and I will exalt Him."

We are learning a couple new songs. We hope to sing one to you at the assembly on Feb 13th, 2020.

On Thursday, February 6th, 2020, we will be walking over to the North Perth Public Library to enjoy some time working on a craft and listening to a story. We will leave the school at 11am and will return by 12pm. Mrs.

Oosthuizen, Mrs. Binnendyk and Mrs. Stege will be walking over with us. We are so thankful that we can explore our community of Listowel.

Any questions, please feel free to contact me. Have a great week!

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Grade 1 – Mrs. Van Veen

Welcome to February! We have many exciting events this month, including an assembly on LOVE, Valentine's celebration, 100's Day, and Family Day!

A few notes:

* Library books are due back on Wednesday.

* February Scholastic orders have been sent home. I will put in the order on the 24th.

Curriculum:

Spelling: Our words this week are: **said, one, do, us, home** (some of these are review, but it's good practice)

Bible: We are now learning about the life of Samuel and Saul.

Math: We will continue to explore number patterns.

Creation Studies: We will begin our unit on "The Sky Declares" learning about the seasons, weather and things in the sky.

Memory Work: "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God" Ruth 1:16 (We will recite this on Tuesday).

Homework: There are some extra activities many mailbags this week, please complete and return with the weekly homework.

Grade 2 and 3 – Mrs. Claus

It's February folks! Time for lots of craziness! We have Valentine's celebrations on Feb 13, 100s Day, and Family Day Weekend!!

I have been having some issues with **Scholastic**. They have not been sending me the necessary flyers for the program. They are all available to you online. I will be calling them and sorting it all out. Hopefully by the end of the week I will have flyers to send home for February.

Spelling: Students have been split between 3 groups for Spelling. If you would like an email indicating which group your child is in please let me know @ c.claus@listowelchristianschool.ca. The students should know but just in case!

Group 1: follow, below, own, grown, around, found, about, house, group, would, should, country, cousin

Group 2: now, down, how, out, shout, about, our, house, slow, show

Group 3: cats, pigs, beds, bugs, tops

Grade 3 and 4 – Mrs. Delleman

Memory Work - Psalm 19:1 - "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." - due FRIDAY

IKnowIt - There is a new assignment on iknowit.com (Elapsed Time) 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 doing Unit 21 words this week. Dictation will be on FRIDAY.

Cursive - Grade 3 pages are 44, 45 and Grade 4 pages are 76, 77. These are due FRIDAY.

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Katerberg

Bible: In Bible we are continuing our unit, "Triumphal Entry through Passover". We will do a unit review, test on Thursday.

Word Work: Lesson 19 test on Friday, February 7.

Science: We will continue our "Structures" unit.

Math: We will continue our math unit on "Transformations". Practice test on Thursday, test on Friday.

Writing: We have started our work on our speeches. This week we will complete our research and write parts of our speech.

Health: Students having been drawing a cartoon showing how the immune system works. This is due on Thursday.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Boelens

Ottawa Trip: If all went according to plan, we are gone this week and learning on our travels.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Katerberg

Science: They are gone to Ottawa and will learn lots of science.

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Requested Announcements:

Come out and join in an evening of fun, excitement and prizes! Oak Tree Financial is hosting their 22nd Annual Food Drive at the Steve Kerr Memorial Complex this Friday, February 7, 2020 during the Jr B Cyclone game against the Waterloo Siskins. For every food item that you donate you will be given a draw ticket which will allow you to participate in a variety of prizes. Come out for an evening of fun and community spirit! Free game passes have been provided for all students.

Listowel Minor Baseball Registration (NOW ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE!)

LOCATION:

Upstairs at Steve Kerr Memorial Arena

WHEN:

Wednesday, February 5 from 6:00 - 8:00

Registration is now an online process or come out to the session listed above.

www.listowelminorbaseball.ca



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