

WEEKLY MESSENGER May 19, 2020

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Tuesday will be a much anticipated day in the field of education and Ontario families. As we enter a stage of some relaxing restrictions on the economy and some businesses, some of us are excited and some are nervous. Tuesday, we will also await the province's decision on the opening/closure of school buildings for the remainder of the year. This decision will have significant impact on everyone in Ontario. Some are hopeful and some are nervous, some of us will be relieved and understanding while some of us will have questions.

There is no doubt we all have our opinions and hopes. I do too. I would love nothing more than to report to school every day, interact with my fellow staff members, see those student faces, teach, influence and enjoy every one of them, and go outside for recess. At some point, I have to set my own opinions and hopes aside and submit to our elected leaders.

I believe we have been obedient to the directions from our elected leaders. I believe we have been very responsible in our diligence of self-isolating and social distancing. I have been praying that God would bless, and will continue to bless, all our provincial, national, and global leaders with good information, discernment, and wise decision making as they represent the people they serve. They are placed in a difficult time of decision making and we need to hold them up to God for wisdom and strength.

Tuesday evening our Board Executive will meet to discuss the provincial announcement implications for LCS. Wednesday morning our staff will meet to discuss what June will look like for 2020 depending on what the government announces. Either way, look for a communication from the Board regarding school in June.

SCHOOL NEWS

Fundraising Committee News: Our annual Spring Auction is online this year, from May 22-25. Click on the link to see the auction website and register! https://charityauction.bid/ListowelChristianSchool



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Student Leadership: Last week we celebrated Christian Education Week. Everyone still has until this Friday to complete the Student Leadership Fruits of the Spirit Scavenger Hunt and all the Christian Education Week activities. Completed activities can be posted to Facebook or emailed to m.heida@listowelchristianschool.com or i.hiemstra@listowelchristianschool.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May

22-25 – LCS Spring Auction (online)

BIRTHDAY CORNER

Celebrating this week: Micah M – May 20 Robert D – May 21 Blake H – May 22



FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Junior Kindergarten - Mrs. Baarda

Our review letters this week are J, K, and L. I will send out videos for these letters on Tuesday. I encourage you to choose one or all three of these letters to review using the worksheets from the alphabet workbook that was delivered.

In the green "My First School Book" we are up to page 76 where students can draw Mat Man. Earlier in the year we built Mat Man and the students drew him in their journals. See if they remember him! I also encourage you to begin on the number pages, page 77-79 which is numbers one and two.

We have Zoom meetings this week! I have scheduled both meetings for Thursday morning, one at 10 and one at 10:30. Please note the time in the invitation email that was sent on Monday. We will be playing number bingo so please have a bingo card and bingo markers ready to play. These were included in the green folder that I delivered.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday!

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

Happy Birthday to Gerrit! He turned 6 on Monday. Happy Birthday to Robert! He will turn 6 on Thursday.

This week our **sight word** is "but".

Please complete the rainbow **writing activity** and the cut and paste activity. We continue to work on syllables and ending sounds.

In *Handwriting Without Tears*, complete the punctuation pages. We are learning about using a period, or an exclamation mark or a question mark to end a sentence.

For math, we are wrapping up counting by 2s and beginning simple addition.

In Bible, we will learn about Ruth and Naomi. Our memory verse is Philippians 4:13.

For **art**, please complete the nature art activity from Christian Education Week and post pictures to the Facebook parent page. There are 2 other drawing opportunities.

For **Creation Studies**, we will learn the lifecycle of the caterpillar to a butterfly.

Have a great week! Take time to enjoy the sunshine.

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Grade 1 – Mrs. Van Veen

I hope you had a wonderful long weekend. I personally preferred the beautiful day on Saturday over the torrential rain all day yesterday. The good news is, it looks like spring is here to stay! I hope that you are all able to continue as we work together to learn at home. If you need any additional support, I am here to help! Thank you again for your wonderful feedback on the grade 1 program.

This week I look forward to focusing on our Creation Studies unit and exploring our new unit in math (mass and capacity).

This week I only have 3 required tasks as it is a shorter week:

- 1. Living/Non-Living Things Sorting Activity (Tuesday's email)
- 2. Math Sheet (Thursday's email)
- 3. Spelling Test (Friday) Your words this week are: more, store, stand, star, blew, flew, new, stone, string, ring (Bonus: blink, strike)
- *I will be temporarily unavailable on Wednesday morning because of our staff meeting.

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

Welcome back after a long weekend and a week of celebrating Christian Education. We are back into the swing of things with our regular work.

Both grades are finishing up their **math units** this week in preparation for their test next week.

Please return to me:

- Math: Grade 2 pages 231-233, Grade 3 Lesson 6
- Spelling test on Friday
- Day 5 Writing Prompt

Enjoy your short week!

Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman Math

- watch video/PDF on "Perimeter"
- complete worksheet "Perimeter Assignment"
- complete IKnowlt assignment (Perimeter)

Reading

- watch video/PDF on "Finding Interesting Words"
- complete "4 Corner Word Chart Assignment"
- complete Epic assignment online (read book "Chickens on the Move" AND answer guiz guestions)
- *Note: Epic quiz questions also include questions about perimeter*
- read daily

Spelling List Words:

- Unit 31 Words
- Grade 3: eight, second, fifteen, million, math, guess, buy, metre, through, dollars, hundred, thousand, grade
- Grade 4: invisible, jewels, giant, somebody, idea, scamp, closet, noise, princess, lonely, shut, suddenly, surprised, owned, period
- Weekly Spelling Task Make your words using Playdough or Plasticine (see activity/art for Playdough recipe) Activity/Art

- Activity / Artwork: Barbara Reid Art (some example videos are found here: https://barbarareid.ca/studentsand-teachers/videos/)
- Make Playdough (or use Plasticine) to create an art piece, similar to Barbara Reid

Online Options:

- complete Brain Pop assignment (How Soap Works)
- typing.com
- spellingcity.com
- Scholastic Website (Week 1-4) https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome/grades-3-5.html

Zoom Meetings - Friday

- Grade 3s (1pm) and Grade 4s (2pm)
- information with the link will be sent on Friday morning.

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Grade 5 and 6 - Mrs. Vogel

French: I put another assignment on for this week. The assignments promote French practice and allow for continued retention of the French we have been learning this year.

Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

Bible: We have started Paul's second journey. New lessons will be posted each day.

Word Work: Lesson 31 words this week.

Social Studies: Students are presenting their projects on the flora and fauna of the United States. We are looking forward to completing the presentations on Thursday at 10:00 am.

Math: We are wrapping up "Patterns in Number and Geometry". A new lesson will be posted on Tuesday and Thursday. Pretest and test next week.

Writing: A new writing assignment will be posted on Wednesday.

Language: I will post a new grammar lesson and practice on Thursday.

Science: Keep looking after your plants and seeds and take a picture this week. The warm weather will really help things grow.

Grade 7 and 8 – Miss ten Brink

Bible: It was great to see the creativity in our Christian Education Fun week last week. I posted all the pictures I received on Google Classroom. This week in Bible we are looking at Paul. Work through the slides and the questions that follow on the handout, which are due Friday. Keep up the great work, Grade 7/8!

Grade 7 and 8 - Mrs. Vogel

I hope you all enjoyed an extra long weekend with your family. All assignments except for a couple groups health chapel assignment and the art sketchbook assignment should now be completed.

I do host 2 class meetings a week. I'd love to see the students at one of those meetings if possible - 1:30 on Tuesday and Thursday.

French: I put another assignment on for this week. The assignments promote French practice and allow for continued retention of the French we have been learning this year.

History: We are starting a new unit this week.

WWW: Unit 20 work and test due Friday. **Writing:** Poetry assignment 3 due Monday.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Math: Both classes have new lessons uploaded onto Google Classroom. These next two weeks looks like a lot of work. Please upload your work so I can monitor your understanding of algebra. I encourage you to stay up-to-date.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

Science: Students have started on the huge unit review - due date is May 22.