

# WEEKLY MESSENGER June 8, 2020

## **PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

When I listen to the radio or television it is often as background noise and I rarely hear the full story. However, lately I have this commercial playing in my head that goes something like, "If you are tired of staying at home, be thankful you have a home. If you are frustrated of being only among your family, be thankful you have family. If you are tired of standing in line for groceries, be thankful you have access to groceries." I am not sure of the exact wording of each statement, but we can all understand the message.

It is easy to be tired of our current situation or frustrated about the limitations placed on our lifestyles. We also have the ability to reflect on the richness of our lifestyles. Although I have a great work space at home, when I go to retrieve the school mail I often spend some time working there too. It reminds me of the goodness of LCS and the lives of the staff and the students. Even though I miss them very much right now, my life is still rich with the gifts of daily living. I have a home, a family, health, employment, transportation, and groceries. I have lots to be thankful for.

There is no doubt I long for the day that we can all be together, teaching and learning in the same room and within great relationship. I know you hope for that too. However, in the meantime, I choose to remain thankful that God still holds us all in His hands and ensures we have what we need. I invite you to join me in that perspective!

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

**Reminder:** The Sing Together project submissions are due June 10th. More information can be found in the Sing Together letter that was sent out last week by email or on the LCS Facebook page.

## Student Leadership ~ JUNE TEAM EVENT!

The Student Leadership would like to encourage you to participate in our very first VIRTUAL WATER FUN DAY!! We have come up with 5 different water fun activities for you to participate in. You can complete all 5 or just pick and choose what works for you. Points will be awarded to each student and staff that participates!

#1 Water Gun Target Shooting ~Fill up your water gun, take a few giant steps backwards and blast away 6 cups stacked in a pyramid

#2 Over Under ~Find a minimum of four people to participate. Line up in a row behind a large container filled with water. Place an empty bucket behind the last player in the row. Give the first person a sponge. On GO, the first player wets the sponge and passes it over his head (over) to the second player. The second player passes it through her legs (under) to the third player. Players continue to pass the sponge over and under until it reaches the end of the row. The last player in the row squeezes the water out of the sponge into the empty bucket and runs to the front of the line. This repeats until everyone is back in their original position. How much water will you have? Try to fill a 2 litre or 4 litre or 6 litre container!

#3 How Far Can You Throw It? ~See how far you can toss a water balloon to another person without it breaking!

#4 Drip, Drip, Drop ~Think of the game Duck, Duck, Goose. Everyone sits in a circle. One person is "it." They fill a sponge with water from a bucket. Starting where they were sitting, the "it" person gently drips a drip of water on the next person's head and says, "drip." Play continues with drips until the "it" squeezes all of the water on someone's head and says, "DROP." That person then chases the "it" around the circle, trying to beat them back to their original space. This game can also be played with a throwaway cup that has a nail hole in the bottom of it and you can dump the whole cup on someone's head.

#5 Enjoy a Cool Treat ~Take a picture of yourself with your favourite summer treat!

Please post photos or videos of these activities to our Facebook Parent Page or email them to <a href="mailto:m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca">m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca</a> or <a href="j.hiemstra@listowelchristianschool.ca">j.hiemstra@listowelchristianschool.ca</a>. Have fun!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June 17 – Last day of school

## **BIRTHDAY CORNER**

Belated Birthday: Jasmine B – June 4 Celebrating this week: Luke B – June 12 Jadon B – June 12



# FROM THE CLASSROOMS

## Junior Kindergarten - Mrs. Baarda

We have a Zoom meeting tomorrow morning, Tuesday at 10am. We will celebrate Henry's birthday and Mrs. Heida will join us! I hope all of you can come.

This week our **review letters** are T, U and V. I will send out videos with the Jolly Phonics songs for these letters in an email on Tuesday. I encourage you to use the pages in the alphabet book to review these letters as well.

In "My First School Book" you can finish the last pages, pages 88-91 which is numbers 9 and 10! I am still waiting on a couple of pictures for our **year end project**. If you haven't sent one yet could you please send

me one today or tomorrow I would appreciate it. Thanks! Looking forward to seeing you tomorrow morning!

# Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

As we wrap up this school year, I want to thank all the parents for their efforts in this remote teaching adventure. You have done well. Thank you for all the great communication. Your children have a little piece of my heart and I hope to see them one more time before school is officially on summer holidays. I would love to stop by on Friday, June 12th (free all day) or Monday, June 15th (from 11am on) or Tuesday, June 16th (from 11am on). Please let me know what day and time works best for you at <a href="mailto:m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca">m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca</a>.

Here is the summary of this week's work:

Participate in the **student leadership water activities** and post them on the Facebook page or to my email. Keep on reading! We are working on **short and long vowel** sounds for li and Oo.

For math, we are learning how to count by 10s.

For **Bible**, we will learn about Nicodemus and Zacchaeus. A challenge this week is to show Jesus' love to someone around you. **Memory verse** is learning the Fruit of the Spirit song Ya! Ya! Have a great week!

#### Grade 1 - Mrs. Van Veen

I hope you are all doing well and enjoying this beautiful weather. We have 7 more days of grade 1!! Thank you again for sharing your work with me. I have attached the June calendar to our daily email in case you missed it last week. We will have a 4-day week this week and end with a 3-day week next week.

#### This Week's Outline:

There is only one task this week that I would appreciate receiving back at the end of the week. It is called, **Note to my next year teacher.** This can be completed anytime this week and can be written by your child or even scribed. I am also happy to do a video chat and record the responses!

#### Overview

Reading- Please continue to read at home and on Epic!

**Spelling** – Words this week are: boy, toy, oil, soil, other, mother, sister, boil, brother, father. They are also on Spelling City. This is our last list of the year.

**Math** – We will finish our unit on Mass and Capacity.

\* We will have another Zoom meeting on **Thursday** at 10am!

I hope you have a great week!

## Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

Hi Grade 2/3!

This is our second last week. Only 7 more days of school! We can do this!

I had such an amazing time seeing almost all of you last week. It took me 6 hours and over 300 kms to get to all of your houses. It was pretty cool seeing where you all live!

There is nothing due this week. We will just keep doing what we can.

Our focus this week will be to finish the **math** units and do our **writing** papers. Easy peasy lemon squeezy! A math and writing email will be sent your way!

#### Grade 3 and 4 - Mrs. Delleman

This week students will be working on Writing and Math. We are finished with our Bible and Reading videos/worksheets, but there are activities for these subjects if students want to complete them.

Next week, we will end the year off with different fun activities for students to do and will allow students to complete any missing assignments.

#### Writing

- watch video/PDF on "3 Stars and a Wish"
- complete writing assignment "3 Stars and a Wish Assignment"

#### Math

- watch video/PDF on "Experimental Probability"
- complete worksheet "Probability Experiments"
- complete IKnowlt assignment (Word Problems Choose An Operation (+ − x ÷)

## Bible Activity

Prayer Walk - see email for instructions

# **Reading Activity**

Book Presentation - see email for instructions

# **Spelling List Words:**

- Unit 34 Words
- Grade 3: even, wasn't, while, doesn't, party, tried, kite, cried, floor, dollar, cheese, planet, think
- Grade 4: standing, married, wrong, decided, driving, ghost, easy, tonight, number, tired, island, living, frightened, waited, paw
- Weekly Spelling Task Find some old newspapers/magazines and cut out letters from them to paste together to form your spelling words.

# Activity/Art

- Activity: Create Your Own Board Game (see email instructions)

## **Online Options:**

- complete Brain Pop assignment (Basic Probability)

- typing.com
- spellingcity.com

# **Last Zoom Meeting (Friday)**

This will be our LAST Zoom meeting of the year! Please join us so we can say farewell for the summer and reflect on some of our highlights from the year! I will be sending information on the Zoom link on Friday morning.

- Grade 3s 1pm
- Grade 4s 2pm (with a special mystery guest appearance!)

## Grade 5 and 6 - Mrs. Vogel

**French:** Continue to work on duolingo as time allows to maintain some of the skills we learned and worked on this past year.

## Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

Bible: Our final Bible unit is on Paul's travels, arrest, and Journey to Rome.

Word work: Lesson 34 words this week.

**Social Studies:** We have completed Social Studies. We have switched to a science unit.

Math: Our final unit is on probability. I will post lessons on Tuesday and Thursday.

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

**Science:** Keep looking after your plants and seeds and take a picture this week. The warm weather will really helps things grow. Students have started their kite project: build and fly a kite.

# Grade 7 and 8 - Ms. ten Brink

**Bible**: The last assignment was given last week. I am waiting on a few students to finish their work. If you have completed everything, I hope the extra time this week allows you to finish up work in other classes or maybe enjoy some of the beautiful weather we are having.

## Grade 7 and 8 - Mrs. Vogel

We are almost there, the countdown is on, I'm sure, in most homes. I know at this point of the year, there is usually a countdown on our school calendar in the classroom as well. It's an exciting time in the year. I encourage students to finish strong, we've got this!

**French:** Continue to work on duolingo as time allows to maintain some of the skills we learned and worked on this past year.

**Typing:** Finish the June typing test. Practice lessons as time allows. Aim for 5 each week.

**Writing:** Each student is to write a poem this week. They may choose from the 3 types attached to the assignment on Google classroom.

**History:** Watch the videos and answer the questions in response.

**Guided Reading:** Read the story and respond to the questions.

# Optional schedule for the week:

Monday - Writing

Tuesday - History, class meeting option 1 at 1:30.

Wednesday - Guided Reading. Complete typing test.

Thursday - Guided Reading, duolingo practice/assignment. Any work yet incomplete, class meeting option 2 at 1:30. Friday - Enjoy a day off!

# Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

**Math:** We are completing our algebra units. Grade 7s are completing an algebra worksheet and their end of unit review this week. The unit test will be next week Monday. Grade 8s end of unit is due today and their end of unit test will be emailed to parents Tuesday morning for students to write on Tuesday.

## Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

**Science:** We will complete our final unit on fluids by Thursday.