

October 19, 2020

Principal's Corner

This week the Student Leadership team is running a food drive. Food can be brought to the school and will be displayed in the lobby. Hopefully it will be a good visual that God calls us to take care of our neighbours.

There are many biblical examples of Jesus ensuring that everyone around him has enough food. Just think about the feeding of the five thousand and the four thousand. What people had was willingly shared, blessed by Jesus, and there was enough for everyone. Jesus took care of others.


Now we are challenged to love like Jesus and take care of our neighbours. A food drive is a great example, but we have to make it meaningful. It is easy to bring a can of kidney beans because we don't want to eat them ourselves. However, it is more meaningful to care for our neighbours and give them something we want for ourselves. Give a can of corn or green beans (I love corn and beans). Give something you like if you are really going to care for someone else.

But don't only give food. Talk about the process of giving and the reason for giving. God blesses us with resources, but we also have a responsibility with them. We are God's servants and we are blessed to share what he has given us. Maybe if we keep talking about caring for our neighbours, the students, the next generation will adopt it as their life practice.

October Events

23 - Wacky Mask Day
23, 24, 25 - Oranje Grove
Shopping Days
26 - LCS Information Evening
7-9 pm
29/30 - Edvance Convention
(no school)

Birthday Corner



Oct 22
Tyler & Marcus
Oct 25
Shaun

November Events

20 - PA Day (no school)
23 - Fall Membership Meeting
30 - First Term Report Cards
go home

From the Classrooms

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

We are continuing in our look at all things fall this week and will be exploring apples. We will make art using apples as stamps and we will taste different colours of apples to see which is our favourite. We will also be reading some stories about apples.

Our focus letter this week is Cc. We will learn the Jolly Phonics song for letter C. To practice recognizing letters, we will be singing the alphabet while pointing to the letters in our workbooks.

In **Bible**, we will learn about Isaac, and also Jacob and Esau.

In **math**, this week we will be doing lots of counting. We will practice counting on our bodies (2 eyes, 2 ears, 5 fingers, etc.) and we will use objects in the classroom to count.

On Thursday, we will be tasting different colours of apples and find out which colour is our favourite and which colour the class likes best.

Next week Tuesday (October 27) is our library day so please return books to the school so students can choose a new book to enjoy for 2 weeks.

Next week Thursday (October 29) there is no school because of the teacher convention.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week we will focus on the letters V, W, X and Y. Wow! We have been reviewing how to print the letters and the sounds that they make. SK has worked hard! This week we will continue to rhyme words with "at" and "it". We are learning to identify how many words in a sentence and what the sentence is telling us. We are also learning that words have to be in a certain order to make sense. Our new sight word this week: "is".

In **Bible**, we will finish up the story of Noah and how God always keeps His promises. The Tower of Babel will wrap up our second unit.

In **math**, we are working on printing and recognizing numbers 1 to 5 and measuring using items such as unifix cubes, pumpkins, and links.

For our theme, we will focus on apples. We will make applesauce and taste various kinds of apples. We will also make leaf rubbings and create our own Leaf Man.

Friday is WACKY MASK DAY!!! Decorate a mask with drawings, jingle bells or anything that you can think of. JOIN in for our SPIRIT DAY activity.

Our **team event** for October is bringing in some food that can be given to the Salvation Army Food Bank. It ties in with our theme of "Loving our neighbour as yourself" and the team with the heaviest weight will place first against all the other school teams.

Feel free to check the Scholastic book order online at www.scholastic.ca Our class code is RC208157. Delivery goes straight to your home. Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Duiella Boekestyn

Sight Words: We've got some tricky sight words this week and they will require extra practice at home. The words are: long, no, came, ask, very, an, over, your, its, ride, into.

We will continue to experiment with word families and rhyming. I will email you a slide show of sight words for students to practice at home. I also added it to the Parent Resource Google Doc.

Memory Verse: Psalm 136:1-3 "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods. His love endures forever. Give thanks for the Lord of lords: His love endures forever."

Math: This week, will continue to count by 5s, learn to tell time and explore place value, especially with numbers past the teens. This will be super helpful as we begin to learn about money this week.

Food Drive: Don't forget, your child's School Team is collecting non-perishable foods for donation.

Wacky Mask Day: Come to school with a wacky, decorated mask. As grade 1s you do not need to wear them all day unless you want to.

Grade 1 – Ms. ten Brink

Creation Studies- This week we are finishing up our look at maps. We will take a walk and map our street at school. In our next unit we will use our mapping skills and look at our place in the world God has created.

School News

From the Library

It is Week 2!

Monday - Gr. 5/6

Wednesday - Gr. 3

Friday - Gr. 1

Student Leadership

Final week to fill up the tables in the foyer with food to help our neighbours in Listowel!! "Love your neighbour as yourself." We are putting our theme into action and having some fun along the way!

Which team will have the heaviest weighing table of food items? Will it be USA? Or Brazil? Or Costa Rica? Perhaps Finland? Maybe Mexico? or could it be China???? Which neighbouring country will score with the highest number in weight??

Results next week. Bring in your food items until Friday October 23rd, 2020.

Spirit Day

Wacky Mask Day! Decorate your mask with markers and glue on pompom, attach jingle bells or attach ribbons. Be creative! Have fun! Wear it at school on Friday **October 23rd, 2020** and increase our school spirit.



Reminder!

Oranje Grove Shopping Days are **THIS WEEKEND!** October 23rd, 24th, and 25th. Shop for lots of Dutch goodies and 20% of all sales will be donated to Listowel Christian School!

LCS Cookbook

Order your 2nd Edition LCS Cookbook! Over 350 recipes and filled with student artwork! Order forms are in the KidMail envelopes and are due back on October 30th.

More school news on the next page...

Grade 2 – Mrs. Dykstra

Our Seesaw page is updated regularly - just a reminder to check in every so often for classroom photos and learning. Let me know if you need any help accessing your child's account. For Epic book access at home, our class code is rps5721. I also have a Vooks (online books) account. My email is d.dykstra@listowelchristianschool.ca and the password is Grade22020.

Due to a selfless, caring decision from a classmate, we all enjoyed a bucket party on Friday - it was a "fast forward" filling of our pom pom jar - all due to loving like Jesus!

Bible: Memory words due this Wednesday (Oct 21): Psalm 105:4 (NIV) "Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always." As we study the cycle of the Judges, students are creating dramas focusing on Eli, Samson, Gideon and Deborah.

Math: Ordinal numbers are relational and quite abstract; accordingly, we will continue this and number word practice for another week, followed by simple word problems. We try a different number sense routine daily and they include: secret number of the week, how many ways, counting circle, Esti-mysteries, Greg Tang games, and three-act tasks.

Language: Book clubs (guided reading) are bringing our reading strategies to life! I am reminding students to try as many strategies as it takes when they come to a "tricky word." New reading habits for the week: reread to see more and reread to make your voice sound smooth. Working in our leveled book clubs helps to practice with support. In **writing**, we are nearing the publishing stages of our small moment stories. Students are really starting to understand how to "zoom in" on a small moment to create detail in their personal narratives. In **word work**, I will introduce "Words Their Way" sorts, which will help to differentiate our phonics lessons.

This week we will learn the routines by sorting some beginning consonant sounds.

Spelling words (number words to twenty) for Friday, October 23: eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty.

Sight words (bonus spelling words): around, first, sleep, tell, which

Creation Studies: We are transitioning to mapping skills in our next unit, Naming the World God Made. We will practice positional words and then we will be "looking down" with a bird's eye view in order to map the tops of our desks and our classroom. This unit promises to be a wonderful way to connect to our yearly theme of "Who is my Neighbour? Learning to love like Jesus!"

French: We have been practicing our basic greetings and using our counting in a "real world" way by playing math games en francais! This week we will review colours.

Grade 3 - Mrs. Claus

I'm looking forward to a full week of learning!

Our **Bible** test will be tomorrow, Tuesday, October 20. It will be on our unit about God's Law, We did a review sheet on Friday. Our duotangs went home over the weekend to study. Today we will be doing a review game.

In **science**, we will be learning about seeds and reviewing for our test next week.

Spelling words for the next 2 weeks are: pitch, drink, swim, life, while, I, my, light, buy, eye, which, find, why, kind, try

Croquette Orders

Listowel Christian School in collaboration with Oranje Grove is pleased to begin the Croquette Order Fundraiser! Order forms, in KidMail Envelopes, are due back to LCS office by November 6th. For more information or order forms, please contact Martine Rastorfer.

Creative Casuals

LAST WEEK to order your LCS swag at:
www.creativecasuals.com

Under Custom Clothing Programs, click on either Listowel Christian School Basics or Listowel Christian School Parents and Staff.

Login for Basics:

Username- lcs

Password- Basics

Login for Parents/Staff:

Username- lcs2

Password- teachers

This portal is open from October 5th to the 23rd. Get your orders in soon to ensure you get your items before Christmas! We can't wait to see you representing our school proudly!

Grade 3 learning about photosynthesis!



Grade 4 - Mrs. Delleman

Scholastic - Ordering of books is available entirely online at scholastic.ca/clubshop. Please note the class code is RC155098. If you want free shipping to home, for orders over \$35, the code is PBJNP.

Cursive - Last week we did letters o and s. Pages 38 and 48 are due on WEDNESDAY.

Memory Work - due Friday - 1 Kings 19:11a-12 - "Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire came a gentle whisper."

Spelling - Unit 5 Dictation Friday - alive, bikes, kids, drive, tie, seat, till, tied, life, cried, went, wide, die, hike - long I sounds (i_e, ie)

Math (I KNOW IT) - Classifying Angles Assignment due FRIDAY - Go to iknowit.com and have students log in (their username is the first four letters of their first name, and the first four letters of their last name, no spaces or capitals - the class code AND password is lcs12345). Students will then see the assignment that they need to complete. This week their assignment is on classifying angles (right, acute, obtuse, straight). If you would like a video on this topic sent to you to support students in their assignment, please let me know!

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Katerberg

In **Bible**, we have started a new unit on the book of Daniel. Memory work this week is Daniel 2:44.

In **math**, we are working on a unit entitled "Whole Numbers". The times tables are coming along very well for most. This week we will spend on division, especially long division.

Our first **social studies** unit is "From Far and Wide", a unit on Canada and its wealth of resources. We enjoyed the ghost town presentations on Friday and have a couple more to go. This week's focus will focus on Canada's multi ethnic heritage.

Spelling lesson 6 assignment to be completed by Wednesday and we will have our unit 6 spelling test on Friday.

PE is on Monday and Wednesday, please have PE clothes (shorts and T-shirt) at school for these days.

In **literature**, we have completed reading our first novel, From Anna. This week we will complete a review and get started on our final task.

In **writing**, the personal narrative is due tomorrow.

Grade 5 and 6 – Mrs. Vogel

French - We started working on our play this year called "L'arbre Ungali". Ask your student about the storyline we are working with and who some of the characters are.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mrs. Vogel

Students will be receiving a midterm report this week Friday. It is to be signed and returned by Monday, October 26. Some grades will not quite make it onto the report but this is to give you and your child(ren) a view of how they have been doing and where some changes may need to be made over the next few weeks.

Scholastic - if you would rather still order through me, that is fine, I can place the order if you are able to let me know which books and send the money to the school. Scholastic orders to me due by Friday, October 23.

Bible - We looked at how the spread of Christianity was started and used marbles and a basketball to imitate how it may have spread. Ask your child(ren) for the details.

Geography - Unit Test Wednesday, October 28.

French - We have begun work on our unit "C'est moi" and learning how to explain and describe ourselves in conversation with others.

Guided Reading - We began our class novel study on the book "Refugee" by Alan Gratz. I'm really excited to explore this book and the historical events and themes portrayed in it with the class over the next couple months.

Writing - We are continuing to work with writing with interest and our own voice.

Art - Grid drawings due Wednesday, October 28.

Working with Words - We are working on Unit 4 this week. Work and test on Friday, October 23.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Boelens

Math: We are well into our Ratio unit. Daily homework will be assigned from their homework list. Both classes will have a worksheet due Tuesday. Mid unit reviews will be due on Tuesday (Gr 7) and Thursday (Gr 8).

Gym: We started playing handball – what fun!

School Theme:
"Who is My Neighbour?
Learning to Love Like
Jesus."

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