

Weekly Messenger

March 1 , 2021

This Saturday is our Open House. In a typical year we advertise this as broadly as possible to invite anyone and everyone who is interested in Christian Education to see our school. Our Open House has been an informal time for potential parents to see the school, meet a few teachers, ask questions, and receive information. During this Open House we gain contacts and follow up with them hoping the families eventually enroll their children.

This year is different. Due to COVID, the concept of an Open House will be a little more structured. Rather than broadcast broadly and open the school wide, we are targeting families we already have contacts with and inviting them in timed intervals. It looks like it could be a busy morning. I am very thankful and excited to meet all these potential families on Saturday and invite them into our LCS community.

Our best advertising is still the references you provide people when you talk about LCS. Whether that is among your neighbours, your church friends, at shared daycare, or other social events, when you speak about your children's school, they are listening. Then, when you encourage them to investigate LCS, they are also listening. Most of our contacts have come because they talked to one of you previously. Thanks for your work and your encouragement.

Christian education is a gift – a gift to be shared. We still want to invite anyone and everyone who is interested in a Christian education to come to LCS. I encourage you to continue to advertise for LCS and share the gift of LCS. If you know of someone that may be interested in LCS for their children, spend some time with them and discuss the value that LCS brings to your family. If they seem interested, encourage them to call me. If you do not feel comfortable or it just doesn't work out, call or email me with the family's contact information and I would be happy to follow up with them.

Saturday is our Open House. However, we entertain interested families any time and all the time.

March Events

6 - LCS Information morning
9 am - 12 noon
12 - PA Day
26-29 - Online Spring Auction
29 Term 2 Report Card go home

Birthday Corner

March 6
Noah H

March 7
Alex G



April Events

2 - Good Friday (no school)
5 - Easter Monday (no school)
20 - Kindergarten Registration
9:30am to 11:30am
26 - Spring Membership Meeting

From the Classrooms

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

Welcome March! This month our theme is Nursery Rhymes and we will be learning about what a rhyme is. This week we will be looking at the Itsy Bitsy Spider and creating a spider craft.

Our **focus letter** is **Tt** and we will learn the Jolly Phonics song for T. In our workbooks we will be learning to print letters P, B, R, K and A.

In **Bible**, we will learn more about the Parables of Jesus with the parables of The Sower and The Wise and Foolish Builders. Our new **memory verse** is "He answered: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and love your neighbour as yourself." Luke 10 verse 27.

In **math**, we will be exploring mass using a balance scale and learning about heavier and lighter. Our new **focus number** is **7**, our colour is white and our shape is the diamond.

Library: Please remember to return any Library books so students can choose new books this week.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week our **focus letters** will be **Qq and Yy**. We will be listening for words that begin with these letters, blending words and creating these letters out of playdoh. Our **new sight word** is "**we**". Please continue to look at previous readers for your child to be more familiar with the sight words. In math, we will continue to work on number recognition and counting to 30.

In **Bible**, we will learn about the 10 Commandments and how we need to show our love to God and to others. We will also learn how the Israelites' lack of trust in God resulted in them building the golden calf. Our **memory verse** is Proverbs 3: 5-6- Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

In **health**, we will be learning about "Friends", how to be a friend. On Monday we will have an opportunity to try **snowshoeing**, if the students want to try it.

A **scholastic** order form went home with our class code on it.

LIBRARY BOOKS due Friday March 5th, 2021 Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Duiella Boekestyn

New week, new month! We are starting fresh this week with new spelling words and Bible verse. Our sight words are a new list too but the words are tricky words we have seen before but need to spend more time memorizing.

Sight Words: Thursday, here, went, walk, ride, new, must, write, which, fall, wash

Spelling Words: This week we are focusing on sh, ch, th, and wh blends. Our spelling words include; shell, chin, thin, shot, chip, them, ship, chop, then, thud. Please also emphasize the use of short vowel sounds in the middle. We will test these words on Friday.

Bible: In the Bible, we are wrapping up our focus on Moses and Israel, moving towards Settling the Land (Joshua)

Bible Verse: "Proverbs chapter 19 verse 17. Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done"

Math: We continue to practice figuring out subtraction questions in a variety of ways. Furthermore, we exercise our number sense skills by finding different ways to look at numbers. For example, 6 could be two sets of 3, or 3 sets of 2, or 5 + 1.

Language: I am going to be upping the amount of writing we will be doing. We will practice writing procedures like step-by-step instructions for how to build a snowman. We are also editing our writing by focusing on the goal each individual student has set.

Grade 1 - Ms. ten Brink

Today we had some fun snowshoeing! We took our gym class outside and were able to use the snowshoes to explore and play games. Be sure to ask your child how their afternoon was! And watch for a picture of our Ninjas from our gym time inside. Grade 1 has been working on controlling our movements and stretching over the past few weeks.

Creation Studies - We have been studying matter and materials, looking at how we describe them. We have also been able to tie in our health studies, looking at our senses, skeletons, and this week our brains, lungs, and heart.

Grade 2 - Mrs. Dykstra

We are marching into March! What fun we had celebrating 100 days of growing in our learning and in God's love for us. Thank you, moms and dads, for supporting your child in crafting clues and gathering a 100 "somethings" to enhance our day.

School News

FundScrip Orders

This is just a reminder that March FundScrip orders are due Monday, March 1st at MIDNIGHT! Delivery is set for Friday, March 5th. This is an easy way to raise funds for our Tuition Reduction Incentive Program.

Library

Monday - Grade 7/8
Wednesday - Grade 4
Friday - Grade 2

Student Leadership

On Thursday **March 11th**, 2021 we will host **Pajama Day**. All staff and students are encouraged to wear respectable pajamas to school.

On **March 22**, 2021 we will celebrate

World Down Syndrome Day (WDS) by wearing colourful fun socks, to raise awareness and celebrate those with Down syndrome.



The team event for March is yet to be finalized.

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

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Bible: Memory fill in the blank quiz on Matthew 16: 24 is this Wednesday March 3. “Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.’” In our Bible lessons we will cover: Jesus Feeds the 5,000; Jesus Walks on Water; Peter’s Confession and the Transfiguration - all ways for us to inquire into the question, “Who is Jesus?”

Math: A unit on equations and word problems is underway. Much of this unit is centered around critical thinking skills. There will be many moments of pause to think deeply about the questions presented.

Spelling Words: Red/green/blue groups are completing remedial work on letter reversals; the spelling list is simple; the focus is on correctly forming the letters in words featuring b, d and p. We will also learn about the correct formation for q in our lessons. The spelling test score will be both based on correct spelling and correct formation of the letters. As with last week, additional “surprise” words will be dictated to assess individual skill in applying phonics instruction. White group will benefit from the lessons on reversals but will also study homophones and their differentiated spelling list is filled with such words. As with the other group, additional words will be dictated at the time of the test. Please refer to your child’s list on Spelling City. Test is this Friday, March 5.

Reader’s Workshop and Writer’s Workshop: We continue to work on media literacy topics. We got a bit behind with the snow day and 100th day last week; this week we will create our own live commercials to persuade our audience of Grade Two’s. Ask your child about the “house hippo”: was the purpose to persuade, inform or entertain? In writing, we will be working on some goal setting in Grade Two.

Creation Studies: Writing a non-fiction tale of hibernation from a frog’s perspective is our wrap up to studying God’s amazing animals.

Health: our Human Development unit was derailed last week and thus that is our task for the week or so ahead. **PE:** We will have two sessions of snowshoeing this week and explore our wonderful school yard in a new way.

Grade 3 - Mrs. Claus

And we are back to school on a Monday! That hasn’t happened in a long time! I am so glad we are here!

Math: We have a quiz on Wed! It will cover measurement and converting from cm to m and m to km.

Language: We are continuing to work hard on writing organized pieces, reading comprehension, and our spelling words (same as last week- Test on Friday).

Bible: We have a Bible Test on Wednesday. It will cover this short unit on the Intertestamentary Times.

Creation Studies: Next week we will have a test on our Canadian Symbols test. Review will be done in class.

Grade 4- Mrs. Delleman

Bible - We have finished our unit on Elisha! Students have a quiz on WEDNESDAY. They will be taking home their duotangs to study for the quiz and Smartboard notes will be sent out Tuesday.

Cursive - Letters A and P are due on WEDNESDAY (pages 4,5 and 40, 41).

Math (I KNOW IT) - Symmetry - due FRIDAY. If you would like a video on this topic sent to you to support students in their assignment, please let me know!

Spelling - Unit 20 Dictation FRIDAY - buttons, roses, mothers, houses, people tanks, bushes, cherries, colours, steps, wishes, brothers, ponies, star - Here is the link to all spelling lists on Spelling City - <https://www.spellingcity.com/users/tdelleman>

Memory Work - Philippians 2:3-4 - due Friday - “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.”

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Katerberg

Welcome to a new week and a new month

Bible: We will continue with our unit: “Jesus’ Ministry Expands.” memory work for Friday is Mark 2 : 16 and 17.

This week is **speech week**. Speeches will be presented on Tuesday and Wednesday if needed.

In **math**, both grades are working on a unit in transformational geometry.

We have started the first two chapters in our **novel study**, Anne of Green Gables. This week will be chapters 3, 4 , and 5.

In **health**, we will be having a quiz on the parts of the respiratory and digestive systems.

Spelling work will be on lesson 21 this week, quiz on Friday.

In **science**, we will start a unit on electricity and electrical devices.

Grade 5 and 6 – Ms. Van Kampen

French: A message has been sent home to parents containing the information for this week.

Grade 7 and 8 – Ms. Van Kampen

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Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Boelens

Math: We continue to move through our different units. Both classes will have a worksheet due on Tuesday.

Gym: We have one more class to practice a different badminton shot – a smash. Then we will start a badminton tournament.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

Science: This week we will get started on solutions.