

# Weekly Messenger

May 3, 2021

Today we have a smorgasbord of topics.

- 1. As you may have heard through the Membership Meeting video, Mrs. Duiella Boekestyn and Mr. Katerberg will not be returning to teach at LCS next year. Both have served LCS with their gifts (Mrs. D-B for 1.5 years and Mr. K for 17 years) and we wish them well as they journey into new ventures. As a result, we are looking to hire two teachers: one for Grade 1 and one for Grade 5-6. If you know of anyone who is looking to teach and would fit onto our staff team, please encourage them to apply or let me know. Job openings will be posted in some church bulletins, in this Weekly Messenger, and on the Edvance Christian School website until May 15.
- **2.** This week we celebrate Christian Education Week. What a gift to be a part of a Christian School. The classroom teachers will be working with their students to create a response to "What I like about LCS" or "How am I (or are we) being a good neighbour". Maybe you can help your child with this assignment. Once we have these responses, we will post the collection of them in several coordinated videos (next week).
- **3.** This week we also launch our Read-a-thon. A vital component to a quality education is the ability and the enjoyment of reading. We ask that the next two weeks you focus on the skill of reading and the enjoyment and appreciation of a good book. Find your sponsor forms and find your reading tracking forms and let's meet our goals.
- 4. Another gift of a Christian school are the teachers. LCS is blessed with gifted, passionate, and committed teachers, working hard to serve students and provide quality education while openly sharing their faith. This week, Monday May 3 Friday May 7, is teacher appreciation week. Consider sending your child's teacher a word of encouragement. A nice phone call, a quick email, either one goes a long way to encourage the teachers.

Blessings on your week.

# May Events

2-15 - LCS Read-A-Thon 3-7 - Christian Education Week 24 - Victoria Day (no school)



# June Events

21 - SK Graduation

23 - Grade 8 Graduation

25- Last day of school (final report cards go home)

# From the Classrooms

## <u>Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda</u>

It is Christian Education Week! This week is a chance to celebrate Christian Education. One way we can do this as a school is to share why we love LCS.

I encourage each student to draw a picture or print words (you can help!) about what they love about our school and take a photo or video of your child with their work. You can email them to myself or Mrs. Playford in the office and they will become part of our special assemblies for next week.

I also encourage you to participate in our **Read-A-Thon!** For JK that can mean listening to reading from parents, older siblings, or even reading books on Epic Books! We will read together during our Zoom meeting this week and those minutes count as well.

I enjoyed seeing so many of you during our Zoom meeting and playing Bingo! During our Zoom meeting, we also reviewed letters A-E and practiced their sounds. At our Thursday Zoom meeting this week we will review letters F-J.

This week in our "Kick Start Kindergarten" lowercase letter workbook, please complete pages 10/11 (letters g and c) and 12/13 (letters u and i).

In math, you can complete our "My First School Book" by printing numbers 9 and 10 and then completing a number review!

In **Bible**, we will learn about what happened when Peter was in jail. I will include a short video that tells this story in Tuesday's email.

For those of you who are looking for more activities, if you haven't already, you can try some of the missing letter pages that are in the folder that you picked up from the school. Feel free to use a letter chart to help, or you can try without. I will also send links to a few games that practice different skills. You can try them if you like also.

I hope you all have a great week and I can't wait to see pictures of your work!

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday at 9am at our Zoom!

## Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

Thank you for all the work that you have been doing at home. I saw that many of you drew and coloured the Spring Sheep and Duckling. Some of you made a crown to remember that the Israelites wanted a King. Great work SK!

Track the numbers of minutes you read to your child and your child reads to you or to each other. I will read to them every morning to contribute to our reading goals! We've got this SK!! Listening to stories also counts for SK!!

This week our **sight word** is NOT. We will work on matching upper and lower case letters, identify for beginning and ending sounds, and listen for short and long vowel sounds.

In **Bible**, we are going to focus on God's great love for us and thanking God for blessing us with Moms.

In math, we are continuing to count by 10s. On Thursday we will be introduced to counting by 2s. I have sent home a measuring challenge...how to measure something that is round? Instructional videos and worksheets have been sent home.

Have a great week!

# Grade 1 - Mrs. Duiella Boekestyn

Happy May and Happy start of Read-a-Thon! Please record any engagement your student has with books; whether that's reading themselves or listening to reading. Our grade 1 goal is to engage with books 25 minutes per day, per student. Here is what we are tackling when our noses aren't in books:

**Sight Words**: This week, we will not have a specific list of sight words. I would like to specify words for each group. I will keep you posted. As per usual, I recommend practicing sight word flashcards or the Sight Word Slideshow.

**Spelling words**: This week's words focus on bl, br, gl, gr endings; blade, block, black, brick, brush, brown, glow, glad, grass, grew

Bible: Finish the story of Ruth.

**Memory Work**: Ruth 2:12 May the Lord repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.

Math: Count to 100 by 25, adding money

**SPECIAL EVENT:** Either this week or next, we will be having a LIVE event from a real book author! Stay tuned.

## Grade 1 - Ms. ten Brink

Creation Studies and Printing - I have added a new video for printing for grade 1. I loved the work that you did last week and look forward to seeing more of your beautiful printing! In Creation Studies, I shared a story on SeeSaw for us to learn about clouds and a few activities to try. I would love to see what you do!

# School News

## **Creative Casuals Order**

The LCS Clothing Sale will be open from May 1-14! Go to creativecasuals.com, click on Custom Clothing Programs and find LCS Basics or LCS Parents & Staff. Below are the logins and passwords.

#### BASICS:

Username- LCS Password- Basics

PARENTS/STAFF: Username- LCS2 Password- Teachers



# FundScrip Order May FundScrip orders are due TODAY Monday, May

due TODAY Monday, May 3rd with delivery set for Friday, May 7th.

# **Principal Evaluation**

If you haven't already filled out the evaluation form for Ed Boelens, please take the time to complete it. The more people we have completing the form, the more complete picture we can have about how Ed is fulfilling his job expectations.

# **Job Openings**

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## Grade 2 - Mrs. Dykstra

Keep it up everyone - we have almost a very good zoom attendance daily - almost 100%! I'm so proud of students who continue to strive to do their best, despite the online environment. Thank you Lord, for sustaining us and for our ability to teach and learn with a Christian worldview, even on zoom!

**Read-a-thon** - Let's read, read Grade Two! Parents, please keep track of your child's daily total using either the paper copy provided by the school or the electronic copy. Alternatively, email me their daily reading total and I will track for your child.

**Bible** - This week there will be a video lesson on Wednesday on "Our Daily Bread" with follow up paperwork. We will be working on the Lord's prayer as our memory work - we will do this in morning zooms for the next few weeks. Oral quiz on Wednesday May 26 (NIV version of Lord's Prayer).

Math: Addition strategies continue in afternoon zoom class. Please have your child bring their blue "Number of the Day" and a dry erase marker for math warm ups. I will assess some math concepts during morning zooms this week as well.

**Read aloud** - Daily read aloud of the "Heartwood Hotel" begins daily around 1:30pm. We will count this time towards each child's daily reading total!

**Spelling Words**: Spelling list is posted on Spelling City, along with a bonus list (Monday's video lesson is a spelling lesson)

**Phonics focus:** oi and oy diphthongs and associated spelling rules (Tuesday's video is a phonics focus)

**Reader's and Writer's Workshop**: Our focus will be on the read-a-thon - responding to books we read, talking about books and writing responses.

Creation Studies: Oh Canada! Video lesson will be posted on Fridays.

## Grade 3 - Mrs. Claus

It's a new week and a new month! I look forward to the warmer weather, as I'm sure you and your children do too!

This week we are focusing on the **Read-a-thon** and preparing for **Christian Education Week**. I look forward to reading more of The BFG this week. I also look forward to hearing why your children love LCS. Please remember the **Bible** lesson pinecone bird feeder supplies for Wednesday.

Remember to view the email I sent that lays out our week for more details.

Blessings this week!

# Grade 4- Mrs. Delleman

An email was sent to parents with a summary and sample schedule for this week. Below is what needs to be completed for this week.

#### **MATH**

- Watch Video: Area
- Math Photocopies: Pages 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158
- I Know It: Area: Counting Square Units

# **READING**

- Watch Video: Go Away Sun!
- Go Away Sun! Comprehension Questions
- Sequence Assignment

#### **SPELLING**

- Watch Video: Unit 26
- Spelling Photocopy: Adventure with Words Unit 26ab
- Spelling Task: write spelling words 10x each, 5x with your right hand, 5x with your left hand

Verse of Encouragement



Gracious words are like a honeycomb. sweetness to the soul and health to the body.

Proverbs 16:24

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

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#### **PHONICS**

- Watch Video: Comparative/Superlative and Synonyms
- Phonics Workbook: Pages 65 and 66
- Synonym Assignment

#### WRITING

- Watch Video: Adjectives
- Writing Photocopy: Activity 2 (Adjectives)
- Adjective Worksheet

#### **CURSIVE**

- Letters T and F
- Pages 16, 17, 50, 51

# Zoom Meetings - MWF from 11-noon

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82894907790?pwd=WFFnOTUweEs2S3R1T1l3THVQQmZadz09

Meeting ID: 828 9490 7790

Passcode: JXr26L

\*Reminder: Read-A-Thon is for the next two weeks! We will be taking 10 minutes of our Zoom times (at the end) to read the read-aloud story we started at school - "Henry and the Chalk Dragon". The 10 minutes can be counted towards the student's daily goal of 30 minutes per day.\*

# Grade 5 and 6 - Mr. Katerberg

Parents should receive a daily email with a list of new things posted for the day. All assignments will be posted on Google classroom and all work should be scanned or pictured and attached to the post. If you have any questions, the quickest way to connect with me is through my school email. This for students as well as parents.

Our daily zoom meeting is from 10:00-12:00. Students receive an email with the link each morning.

Bible: We have started a new Bible unit entitled "Parables of the Kingdom"

In math, we have completed our fractions and decimals unit. Today we are reviewing the practice test in class and on Tuesday we will have our unit test.

We will continue with our **novel study**, Anne of Green Gables. This week we will read chapters 35-38. Audio of the chapters is posted on the classroom Language 5 /6 page.

In **social studies**, we have started a unit on New France, a history of the settling of New France and a study of its culture at the time. We are working on the ideas of "Worldview" and "Culture Shaper".

**Spelling Lesson** 29 this week. The assignment is posted with exercises from the text to complete. If you do not have the text, contact me for picking up or delivering a textbook.

## 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

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

## Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Boelens

Math: Google classroom has all the assignments. Both classes are into their algebra units. Daily work is assigned. Later this week we will prepare for our Gauss Math Contest sponsored by the University of Waterloo which will be next week.

# Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

Science: We will be completing a large unit review on Wednesday. They can work in small groups to complete this task. On Wednesday we will have the Unit Test. This test will be an open book test completed between 1:30 and 3:00 on Thursday.