

As you can imagine, planning for next year presents some significant challenges. As teachers and families, we are wondering what the next days or weeks look like, much less what September schooling will be. We long for some consistency and reliability.

As mentioned in the Membership Meeting video, we have some new families joining us for next year. Of the nine new families registered, eight of them have children in JK or SK. Our kindergarten enrolment looks good. However, as you can also imagine, families with children in Grades 1-8 are not in a position to make decisions or changes for their children's schooling in this volatile time. As a result, any interest from families with children in grades 1-8, other than one family, has disappeared or been placed on hold indefinitely.

When we plan for September, we can only work with information we currently have. We try to remain positive while we also try to be stewardly with the finances of our school and families. We hired Reuben Siebenga to teach the Grade 5-6 class and have interviewed for a potential Grade 1 teacher. However, one of the possibilities we are entertaining is to reduce our staffing for a year and offer the following classes for next year: JK, SK, Grade 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 5-6, and 7-8. Again, as I stated before, that although we expect our student enrolment numbers to be the same, it is due to the number of students we have enrolled in each of the different grade levels and how they can be arranged to balance out the class sizes.

Last year we were in a position of teetering between adding a staff member or remaining with our staffing levels and combined classes. We eventually added a staff member. This year we are in a similar situation, although now considering reducing our staff levels and returning to the combinations of classes. Either way, there is not just one answer and one way to plan the classes.

Schools have been wrestling with these decisions in June forever, whether a large school or a smaller one.

We continue to pray for LCS in the planning stages for next year. We also pray that God will enable more families to consider and enroll in LCS. We will see what the next few months bring.

June Events

21 - SK Graduation
23 - Grade 8 Graduation
25- Last day of school
(final report cards go home)

Birthday Corner

June 4
Jasmine B

June 5
Alexa V

June 6
Henry D



September Events

6 - Labour Day - No School
7 - First Day of School
14 - PICTURE DAY

From the Classrooms

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

This week we will review our last three letters, **X, Y, and Z**. I will send out the final three videos for these letters. There is a small challenge at the end of letters X and Y.

In the **Kick Start Kindergarten** workbook please work through pages 26/27 (letters f and q) and 28/29 (letters x and z).

This Thursday we will play "**Superhero Swat**" which is an alphabet recognition game that was sent home in the packages that you picked up from school. I will send more details in Tuesday's email.

In **math**, we will continue to review some key concepts. Thursday we will do an activity to practice position words (infront, beside, behind, on, under) during our meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at our Thursday morning Zoom meeting at 9am.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week we will not have a sight word reader.

Practice reading the **sight words** we have already learned this year and use them in a sentence. Draw a picture to go with your sentence. I sent the sight words in the lesson plan for the week.

We will be listening to long vowel A and I words and completing a search and find. Hunt around your house for items that have 1, 2, 3, 4 or even 5 syllables. What did you find?

We will continue working with ending sounds.

SHOW AND TELL will be Tuesday and Thursday, students may bring what they would like to share.

In **math**, we are identifying numbers using tally marks and are being introduced to subtraction.

In **Bible**, we are learning about David as King and Psalm 23.

This week we will explore the world of frogs and toads. How are they the same? How are they different? Have you ever caught a frog or toad? Did you find one this week?

Please take a moment to fill in the SK Graduation Booklet page and send a photo of your child asap.

Thank you to all the parents for all the emails and hard work you have been doing with your child. Remember to do what you can, as it works for your family. If I can help in any way please feel free to contact me at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca

Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Duiella Boekestyn

Spelling Words: This week's words play with vowels using "ag", "eg", "ig", "og", and "ug" endings; flag, twig, rag, plug, leg, big, bag, beg, chug, clog.

Bible: King David (1 Samuel), Armour of God (Ephesians 6)

Bible Verse: Ephesians 6:14-15 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.

Math: Composing and decomposing numbers (for example, what numbers can make 10 when they are added together)

Grade 1 - Ms. ten Brink

This week we are starting something new in Creation Studies, we are learning about insects and you have a few books to choose from as we start off looking at butterflies. And in printing, we are nearing the end of our letters! This week we are learning about the letter q and x.

Grade 2 – Mrs. Dykstra

We had a whale of a time with idioms last week! Thanks for doing a wonderful job of getting to various zoom school times and completing the to-do lists. I appreciate you all very much. A daily email will be sent with the plans for the day.

Bible: Parables of Jesus - stories for me. We will learn that in order to understand these stories, we must be open to God's kingdom, building our life in His fertile soil. New memory words due Wednesday June 12: Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all." Mark 9:35

Math: Daily math zooms for yellow group 1pm and teal group 1:40pm.

Read aloud: We continue with "The Knight at Dawn" from the Magic Tree House daily at 1:30pm.

Reader's and Writer's Workshop: Our big novel study of Grade Two begins! Our book is The Chocolate Touch. Details will be brought forward in morning zooms and learning videos.

White Group modifications - no phonics focus videos or paperwork. Instead, Charlotte's Web activities will be assigned.

School News

FundScrip Orders

Just a reminder that today is the last call for June FundScrip orders. They are due **TONIGHT at MIDNIGHT!** Delivery is set for Friday, June 4th to the R&J Hiemstra Household for porch pickup.

From Fundraising Committee

Have you seen the flyer for our shopping event at Oranje Grove? If you purchase a gift card for Oranje Grove by Tuesday at noon, you can use them on the shopping days and help the school raise funds with both the percentages from the sale and the card. Please share this with family and friends who you think would love to shop at Oranje Grove. You can order your gift cards in any monetary value through me.

Please email

ltslotegraaf@gmail.com or message me on FB Tanya Lynn.

Shopping Days at Oranje Grove are June 8-10!



Read-A-Thon

If you haven't yet sent in your Read-A-Thon fundraiser forms and money, please do so as soon as possible. You can drop them off at the school on Monday's, put them in Mr. Boelens home mailbox, OR e-transfer the money to the school. If you choose e-transfer, please send it to the email finance@listowelchristianschool.ca. Also send a photo of your form to the office so we can keep track!

Thanks again for all your good reading efforts LCS!!

Phonics Focus - review of ph and gh digraphs that make the sound /f/, along with the ck and ng digraph. Extra phonics fun is on google slides.

Listening Comprehension - Mr. Forgetful and Little Miss Busy are on tap for this week.

Creation Studies: This week's video and lesson is further teaching on the Peace Tower and a review of the Maple Leaf

Grade 3 - Mrs. Claus

I want to thank you for the birthday greetings I received this weekend. I was blown away by your love and kindness. I had an amazing weekend turning the big 4-0!

This week we continue as usual with our **Morning Meetings** at 9 including devotions, calendar, and a math lesson.

Small Group focus:

Monday: Word Work (Spelling needed)

Tuesday: Reading (Nothing needed)

Wednesday: Work on Writing (Writing package needed)

Thursday: Reading Comprehension (package needed)

Friday: Word Sorts (package, scissors, glue, and blank paper needed)

1PM Meeting focus:

Monday: French

Tuesday: Bible

Wednesday: Creation Studies

Thursday: Bible

Friday: Creation Studies

Keep working hard! You are all doing amazing!!

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: Probability Language
- Math Assignment: Probability Language Assignment
- I Know It: Multiplication Facts Drill (1-10)

READING

- Watch Video: Dogs at Work
- Read Booklet: Dogs at Work
- Dogs at Work Comprehension Questions
- Compare and Contrast Assignment

SPELLING

- Watch Video: Unit 29
- Spelling Photocopy: Adventure with Words Unit 29ab
- Spelling Task: pick a spelling word, roll a die, write out the spelling word that many times

PHONICS

- Watch Video: Word Endings and Alphabetization
- Phonics Workbook: Pages 73 and 74
- Alphabetization Assignment

WRITING

- Watch Video: Pronouns
- Writing Photocopy: Activity 5 (Pronouns)
- Pronoun Worksheet

CURSIVE

- Letters L and Q
- Pages 30, 31, 42, 43

Zoom Meetings - MWF from 11-noon

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82894907790>

pwd=WFFnOTUweEs2S3R1T1l3THVQQmZadz09

Meeting ID: 828 9490 7790

Passcode: JXr26L

Verse of Encouragement

*Even youths grow tired
and weary,
and young men
stumble and fall:
but those who hope in
the Lord
will renew their
strength.
They will soar on
wings like eagles:
they will run and
not grow weary.
they will walk and not
be faint.*

Isaiah 40:30-31


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

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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. 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: Our current unit is called “Jesus’ Ministry Continues”.

In **math**, we are working on new unit, “Patterns in Number and Geometry.”

In **social studies**, we are learning about the history of the settling of New France and a study of its culture at the time. This week we will be learning about daily life on the farm and in the towns of New France and the roles of key society members.

Spelling Lesson 33 this week. The assignment is posted with exercises from the text to complete.

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: Grade 7 students are finishing up their algebra unit and will have their test on Friday. Assignments for Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday are posted on Google Classroom. Grade 8 students are writing their algebra test today. For June, we will be doing an independent unit. Parents, please read the email sent to you Monday. Daily assignments will continue to be posted on Google classroom.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg

Science: We will have stated final unit of the year, “Heat in the Environment”. Last week the students were issued a design challenge to create an insulation chamber. This week we will design and carry out experiments to test our creations.