

I don't know anyone who enjoys times of uncertainty. When there is uncertainty, whether it is not knowing a direction or not knowing expectations, it is difficult to plan. I think most of us like the certainty of a plan and the clear direction of a path even if we don't completely agree with it.

Sometimes, we appreciate clarity over destination.

We have all been in that time of uncertainty through the last few months wondering what effect COVID will have on our society, maybe specifically on our schools. Last week, we received some clarification. Although I doubt any of us liked the decision, I heard from some that at least they now have clarity. Now they can begin to plan their next month, if not months.

Unfortunately, there is still some uncertainty. Premier Ford invited all schools to host graduations for all grades. There were no details included to implement that concept within the COVID regulations, so I contacted our local health unit staff and they are equally confused. From their perspective, when they read the Ontario re-opening plan, public outdoor gatherings will still be limited to 10 people during stage 1 – which is when the end of the school year will fall.

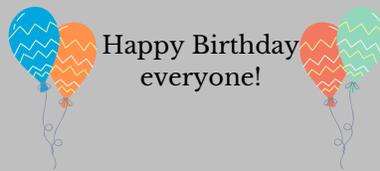
So, we still wait for clarity. The health unit is waiting for direction from the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health. Once they have that, they will inform us. When we have information, we will plan accordingly to see how we can end our current school year on a positive note.

In the meantime, I ask for your patience and support as we work through this continued uncertainty. It is not fun.

## June Events

18 - PA Day  
21 - SK Graduation  
23 - Grade 8 Graduation  
23- Last day of school  
24 - School return and pick up day / Report Card pick up

## Birthday Corner



## September Events

6 - Labour Day - No School  
7 - First Day of School

## From the Classrooms

### Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

This week I will be doing **assessments** with the JK students as I prepare for report cards. Please check the email sent on Monday morning for your child's time slot. I have tried to accommodate those of you who requested certain times. Please let me know if there is a conflict with your assigned time.

Thank you for the photos that were sent in for the slide show. If you haven't yet sent one and would like a recent photo included in the slide show, please do so this week.

This week is a time to complete any pages in your **Kick Start Kindergarten** workbook that have been missed, and to complete the "Name in Title Case" page.

I will include a **Rhyming Scavenger Hunt** as well as a Number Scavenger Hunt for this week in our Tuesday email.

We will have our regular Zoom meeting on Thursday morning at 9am.

Looking forward to seeing each of you this week!

### Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week I will be meeting one on one with the students to do some **assessments** so we can rejoice in the growth we have seen during this school year.

On Monday and Friday, we will meet on **Zoom at 10 am**. Tuesday and Thursday will be **assessment** days.

Our new **sight word** "be". We are working on final sounds and fill in the blanks by listening to the beginning sound.

In **math**, we are working on subtraction.

Have a great week!

### Grade 1 - Mrs. Duiella Boekestyn

Wow! Our last full week of school. Let's do this!!!

**Spelling Words:** This is our last week with a spelling test. Our words explore vowel-ck endings like - ack, -ick, -ock, -uck; black, lick, block, luck, snack, pick, rock, truck, lock, stuck

**Bible Verse:** We are continuing to remember last week's bible verse noting the first part of the armour of God (Ephesians 6:14-15). We are focusing on verses 16-18 this week. "In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

**Math:** We are going over location and direction, as well as composing and decomposing numbers.

### Grade 1 - Ms. ten Brink

Woohoo!! We have made it to the end of the alphabet! This week we finish off our alphabet practice with the letter z. Great work, grade 1! In **creation studies**, we are looking at Canada for the next two weeks. This week we are looking at the provinces and some of the symbols of Canada. Enjoy the stories!

### Grade 2 - Mrs. Dykstra

**We held strong last week, God helping us, and had awesome attendance and participation. Thank you all! An email will continue to be sent with our plans for the day. We have a five day week this week with our regular zoom schedule.**

**Bible** - Parables of Jesus - stories for me. 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. This week we look at two more parables with daily pop-up pages to create for our collection. I am so enjoying all the beautiful colouring happening at home.

**Math:** Daily math zooms for yellow group 1pm and teal group 1:40pm. We try a new "Esti-mystery" everyday until the end of Grade Two!

**Read aloud** - Daily at 1:30pm - once we finish our current novel we will turn to reading end of the year picture books during that time, as well as sharing memories from our year in Grade Two, building up a virtual memory book together.

**Reader's and Writer's Workshop:** Students seemed to enjoy the first few chapters in our novel study, The Chocolate Touch. It was interesting to hear what each student would choose as the one food they could eat for the rest of his/her life. This week we will have several journal prompts to reflect on Chapters 3, 4 and 5.

**Phonics Focus** - plurals aka let's make more of something.

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

**Listening Comprehension** - Students will enjoy listening to 3 "little miss/mr" stories this week and answering the multiple choice questions that accompany each story in our Language Arts package.

**Creation Studies:** This week's lesson is on the Bluenose - a beautiful symbol of Canada. This will be our final Creation Studies lesson of the year. Thank you Lord, for our country we were able to study.

# School News

## Meat Fundraiser

I am sure your BBQ is ready for cooking and maybe has already cooked lots of meat from your freezer. It is time to re-stock!

The Grade 6-7 students are selling meat packages from Harriston Meats. If you want to load your freezer and prepare for the summer cooking season, please connect with a Grade 6-7 student. If you want to order but don't know who to contact, you can email me (Ed Boelens) and I will either take your order or direct you to a student who lives near you. Orders are due by Wednesday June 16.

## 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](mailto:finance@listowelchristianschool.ca). Also send a photo of your form to the office so we can keep track!

### Grade 3 - Mrs. Claus

We are in the home stretch now. As much as I wish we could be in the classroom, I am optimistic that we can finish our year strong. God has blessed us so much during this time and I am thankful for the opportunity to continue teaching my students.

Our last full week will remain similar to our regular routine. We will add a **poetry unit** during our writing block and I will be doing **reading assessments** as well. We have a **math test** on Friday, as well as a **spelling test**.

**Morning Meetings** start at 9am. We will be finishing up math lessons PA3-33 to 36 this week and finishing with a test on Friday.

Language block with small groups will focus on:

**Monday:** Word Work (Spelling needed)

**Tuesday:** Reading (Nothing needed)

**Wednesday:** Work on Writing (Poetry Mini Unit)

**Thursday:** Reading Comprehension (On Screen)

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

1PM Meeting will focus on:

**Monday:** French

**Tuesday:** Bible

**Wednesday:** Creation Studies

**Thursday:** Bible

**Friday:** Creation Studies

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

### 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 Outcomes
- Math Assignment: Probability Outcomes Assignment
- I Know It: Multiplication and Division Facts Drill (1-10)

#### **READING**

- Watch Video: Landfills: What a Load of Garbage
- Read Booklet: Landfills (What a Load of Garbage)
- Landfills Comprehension Questions
- Sequence Assignment

#### **SPELLING**

- Watch Video: Unit 31
- Spelling Photocopy: Adventure with Words Unit 31ab
- Spelling Task: write out spelling words 10x, and find their value total (consonants 10 points, vowels 5 points)

#### **PHONICS**

- Watch Video: Suffixes
- Phonics Workbook: Pages 78 and 79
- "-ION" Suffix Assignment

#### **WRITING**

- Watch Video: Pronouns
- Writing Assignment: Finding and Using Prepositions
- Prepositions Worksheet

#### **CURSIVE**

- Letters X and W
- Pages 58, 59, 60, 61

**Zoom Meetings** - MWF from 11-noon

Link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82894907790?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82894907790?pwd=WFFnOTUweEs2S3R1Tl13THVQQmZadz09)

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\*Please Note: This is the last full week of school where I will be sending all subjects. Next week I will just be sending Reading, Spelling, and Writing assignments as well as lists of any missing work.\*

### Verse of Encouragement

*For as the heavens  
are higher than the  
earth,  
so are My ways  
higher than your  
ways  
and My thoughts  
than your thoughts.*

Isaiah 55:9

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 is 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:** This week we will start our final Bible unit on 1 Peter.

In **math**, we will most likely be starting our probability unit this week and we will definitely have a math test today on “ 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 focussing on how the fur trade shaped the culture of New France.

**Spelling Lesson** 34 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**

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

### **Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Boelens**

**Math:** Grade 7 students are beginning their probability unit. Daily assignments are posted on Google classroom and teaching will happen in our Zoom meetings. Grade 8 students are working on their independently created algebra unit. Daily assignments will continue to be posted on Google classroom and instructions will be given in daily Zoom meetings.

### **Grade 7 and 8 - Mr. Katerberg**

**Science:** We will have started final unit of the year, “Heat in the Environment”. The students were issued a design challenge to create an insulation chamber. Last week they designed and carried out experiments to test their creations. The lab report for this is due on Friday. In class we will be working through chapter 11.