

Messenger VVeekly

February 14, 2022

During our October 2021 PD days, we were led by David Smith from Calvin College. He focused of the theme of hospitality and provided amazing biblical references as well as practical applications for our schools today. David Smith speaks with a wealth of knowledge on this topic and an incredible passion for Christian schools to examine how hospitality is shown within our schools. I appreciated his integrity but also the way he was able to get his point across through some story telling. He was very easy to listen to.

Edvance is continuing this theme throughout the year. This Friday, we are welcoming David Smith back to lead us and expand on his passion. After a quick review of the October discussions, his desire is that we examine this topic from our own personal and teaching experiences and understand how our personal perspective impacts our ability to offer hospitality. I am interested in hearing how the unique experiences of our staff can be utilized to enable LCS to be a school of great hospitality.

Of course, given the state of the pandemic, our sessions will be remote. David Smith will appear on video lectures and with directions for discussions. Our staff will be at LCS.

Pray for a good day. Pray that our staff will be inspired by the topic, excited to grow in their practice, and encouraged as educators teaching and welcoming young children. Pray that we also have a day where we can spend time together on breaks and at lunch eating, laughing, telling stories, and being hospitable with each other.

NOTE: This is Mrs. Playford's last week in the office. In an effort of hospitality, Mrs. Playford will be mentoring Mrs. Weishar this week. Next week Mrs. Weishar will be on her own. As you communicate with her, please be reminded that she may not know you nor your children. If you are picking up your children at the end of the day, please mention them by name and grade to help her out. Help her feel welcome!

# February Events

18 - LCS PD Day - No school 21 - Family Day - No school

22 - 100th Day of School! (Gr 1-3)

# Birthday Corner

February 14February 19Colton KDarren R

February 21 Dax V Timothy K

# March Events

5 - LCS Information Morning
9am-12noon
14-18 - March Break
21 - Second Term Report Cards
go home
22-25 - Online Spring Auction

# From the Classrooms

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

This week we will be doing some cardboard tube paint stamping to make hearts for our art project. Tuesday, February 15, we will be having our **Valentine's Day** celebration. Students can dress in red, pink, white or maybe all three! Students may also bring in cards or individually wrapped treats to share with their classmates. Our **focus letter** this week is letter Rr. We will learn the Jolly Phonics song for R, and do our search and find page. In our workbooks this week, we will be working on letters with diagonal lines, K and A.

In math, we will be talking about duration or how long a task takes to complete.

In **Bible**, we will continue to learn about Jesus, and how he helps people who are sad and people who are scared. In **health**, we will be finishing up our unit on families. Thanks to all of you who sent in family pictures!

## <u> Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida</u>

This week we will focus on short vowel Oo. We will review rhyming through some interactive games and continue to blend sounds together to produce words. We will be reviewing the sight words that we have learned up to this time.

# SHOW AND TELL: Bring 2 items. One that begins with Bb and one that begins with Cc.

1. Monday: Scotti, Colton, Liam and Haven

2. Tuesday: Ronella and Carina

3. Thursday: Amy, Zach, Alex and Jesse

4. Friday: NO SCHOOL

In math, we will be introduced to money and our math center will have various items to weigh in the pan balance. Every day we will count to 70 and print numbers to 20.

In **Bible**, we will hear the story of the Israelites grumbling about food and drink in the desert. We will also engage in some object lessons about God's love for us and share God's love with others.

In **health**, we will use our sense of smell. Last week we listened to sounds both inside and outside. We also played the whisper game. We never had the same message we started with. We laughed a lot.

For Monday February 14th, 2022 - Valentine's Day: Students are welcome to bring Valentine cards for their classmates. The easiest way is for your child to sign the card and then they can go to any of their classmates. Treats are fun just be sure they are PEANUT FREE! Thank you!

Spirit Day: Wear red, or white or pink or all three colours. Earn points for your team.

Team Event: Building the tallest snow structure. Please wear snow pants to school on Monday morning!

**LIBRARY BOOKS:** Return on Tuesday. Have a great week!

#### <u>Grade 1 and 2 – Mrs. Dykstra</u>

The lOOth day of school - Tuesday, February 22 (after the long weekend)! This is an exciting day when students reflect on how much they've grown since September. Students in Grades 1-3 are welcome to dress up as a lOO year old for the day. In Grade 1/2, a paper bag and instructions are in kidmail today. Please help your child count out a collection of the same 100 items and bring them to school by the 22nd (they may bring it in sooner). They may have assistance to write the three clues for his/her item - shhhhh, it's a secret for their classmates.

Library day is tomorrow (Tuesday).

Here is a brief curricular outline for the week:

**Bible:** Sabbath rest was our focus last week. We were surprised at the detailed rules for the Sabbath that the Pharisees followed and how Jesus challenged their thinking. Jesus puts the love and heart behind the rules. As we study Jesus walking on water and Peter's confession this week, we look deeper into who Jesus is.

Language Skills: mixed short vowel practice. Ask your child what each short vowel says. In writing, we will look at a narrative story and create some of our own content to add to an existing story. We have been enjoying a weekly "write the room" activity. We've decided that using a clipboard and scooting around the room makes writing extra fun. Ask your child what our write the room theme was this week.

Spelling words for testing Friday, February 25.

Orange: brag, clam, grip, smog, plus, plum, scum, fled

Blue: cash, dash, mash, back, pack, rack, jack

Green: can, fan, man, pan, cab, tab, sag, rag

Grade One Math: Once we finish off our counting to 100 lessons, we hope to start some addition strategies (joining and combining).

**Creation Studies:** We continue to inquire about Global Communities in God's World, as well as review concepts taught. We hope to have a short quiz this week to check in.

# School News

Upcoming Pizza Days Wednesday February 16 Wednesday March 2



**Spring Auction** Reminder that the Spring Auction is coming up! March 22-25, 2022.

Battle of the Books

We will continue meeting every Thursday at snack recess. The Junior Team will meet with Mrs. Delleman and the Senior Team will meet with Mrs. Vogel. Remember to start studying the questions in your duotangs!

#### Lego Club

We are starting Lego Club again for grades 1-5! Leading up to March Break, each week a different class will be able to go to the Library at lunch time on Tuesday and Thursday and be creative and build. Students will get a chance to make original creations or if they are looking for a challenge, can choose from some that will be provided. This week we will start with grade 2/3.



**Open House** LCS will be hosting an Open House on March 5, 2022 for any new interested families. Please call the school to book an appointment time. 519-291-3086

## Grades 1, 2, and 3 Art - Mrs. Dykstra

We crafted our Valentine bags last week. We move on to study the artist Piet Mondrian and create a primary colour heart in Mondrian's style. Students did a wonderful job with their polar bear watercolor resists. Well done, artists.

### <u>Grade 2 Math - Ms. ten Brink</u>

We have made it through our Geometry unit and are once again looking at Number Sense with a focus on partners to 10, which the students know I am excited about, and solving story problems. We will also learn to compare equations, looking at finding equations that are equal and not equal.

## Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

# Happy Valentines Day!

**Bible-** We are finishing up our unit on Abraham and will have a test at the end of this week. **Memory Work** for Thursday: "I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you." Genesis 17:7 **Creation Studies-** Our health unit continues on Human Development.

Grade 3 Math- We are now at the point of discovering what multiplication is all about.

100s Day has been moved to the 22nd due to our last snow day. Remember to be looking for a costume of a 100 year old to wear!

#### Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

**IKnowIt** - Division with Remainders (1 digit by 2 digit) - due THURSDAY. \*Please note that this is the same assignment as the last couple weeks. Due to snow days it was extended into this week.\*

Math - Students will be having a division quiz on THURSDAY this week. We will be practicing long division and reviewing division facts that students will need to know for the quiz.

**Spelling** - Below are the spelling teams and their words. Each team will need to study all these words in preparation for THURSDAY where 10 words from their list will be chosen for their dictation.

Word Wizards - saw, cause, cross, caught, paws, straw, fault, law, claw, sauce, taught, draw, laugh, haul, pause, song, frost, hawk, crawl, dawn, lawn, vault, shawl, cloth

*Spelling Squad* - setting, hiking, reading, floating, cutting, moving, stopping, living, spelling, coming, begging, growling, grinning, having, cheering, jogging, sharing, talking, pushing, humming, working, fixing, going, snowing *Super Spellers* - sad, bed, crab, cob, job, mad, red, rob, lab, had, fed, mob, sob, bad, led, pad, tab, blob, grab, shed, glad, glob, cab, sled

\*All spelling lists can be found on Spelling City, with games available to review words. Go to

spellingcity.com/tdelleman to find links to all the spelling list words and activities.\*

**Bible** - We have finished our unit on Isaiah and will have our quiz on THURSDAY. The memory work verse will be on the quiz.

**Memory Work** - Isaiah 53:5 - "But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed." - due THURSDAY (it will be a fill in the blank on the quiz).

#### <u>Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Siebenga</u>

May the Love of our Father provide you peace, connectedness, and unconditional favour over the coming week. Looking ahead to this week:

The students have chosen a particular story from this past **Bible** unit, and on Thursday they will perform these with their particular group. These will focus on the characters, events, and significance of the passage. The students will look to relate and reflect on these stories, making them theirs, and sharing the importance of these stories.

In **math**, the students will continue to explore the world of the partial whole. Through practice and application the students are showing great efforts.

In **reading**, we are wrapping up The Magician's Nephew. On Tuesday the students will share their creations, and explain their significance to their understanding, and how they relate to the story.

In social studies, the students will present their resource challenges. They have been finding out about some environmental concerns of our province, and looking to engage with what our province has instituted to protect our resources. On Wednesday they will share their findings and ideas. The students will also be performing a map test of our province of Ontario. This will Include major cities, water ways, bordering states and provinces, and land regions.

Memory Work: John 14:6

## <u> Grade 5 and 6 French - Mrs. Vogel</u>

We are going to take a quick break from our verb unit to focus on the Olympics this week.

### Grade 7 and 8 – Mrs. Vogel

Bible - We have started our next unit on Proverbs.

**History** - We are working through the British takeover of New France and the causes of the American Revolution. **Writing** - In conjunction with our history unit, students are working on writing a newspaper article based about the Battle on the Plains of Abraham. This is due on Thursday. We are also working on proofreading and learning how to use proofreading marks.

Guided Reading - We are going to be starting a unit on "The Hobbit".

W.W.W. - Word Analogies Set 9 is due on Thursday.

Art - Marionette movement sketches are due on Wednesday.

**French** - We are working on a short Olympics unit. Students have chosen a sport and will research both the sport and one current Olympian that is currently competing in that sport. They also will be creating their own unique Olympic sport. They will be presenting these to the class next week.

#### Grade 7 and 8 – Mr. Boelens

**Math:** The grade 7 students will continue working with percent. Grade 8 will continue with geometry and angles. Daily work is assigned for both classes.

Science: The snow day interrupted our class schedule. This week we will investigate work and energy (again). They may ask you about eating habits.