

April 11, 2022

Another save the date. Today your child(ren) will come home with invitations for their GrandParents to come to the LCS Grandparent and Grandfriend Day. Students should fill out the inside before they hand them to their grandparents. We are excited to be able to host this event for the first time in three years. If your child does not have a grandparent who can attend, they are encouraged to bring a grandfriend to share the day with. If they cannot think of who to bring, let us know and maybe we can match them up for the day. The intergenerational connections can still be valuable even when they are not within biological families – spiritual families have strong bonds too!

This year we are trying something different. There will still be the traditional grandparents visiting time to see their grandchild in their classroom. There will still be a time in the gym for refreshments and grandparents to connect with friends. There will still be the assembly where we can worship together. But this year we will provide some fun tasks for students and grandparents to do together. We have four activities and only an hour, so you will get to experience the fast pace of a school day. Just so you know, we promise you a recess time as well.

We always look forward to Grandparents and Grandfriends Day. The intergenerational energy is contagious and exciting. Save the date, it is Thursday May 5.

And another plug for this Tuesday (tomorrow night), the Strategic Planning Gallery Walk at LCS. The evening starts at 7:00 pm. and will be over by 9:00 pm.

Additional Grandparents' Day Information - In kid's mail this week are two invitations to hand out to grandparents and grandfriends, inviting them to Grandparents' Day on May 5th, 2022. Students can fill in the information on the inside of the card before handing them out. Also, Grade 5/6 students are needed to bring in a dozen goodies (store bought or homemade, nut free) on May 4th so they can be served with coffee for grandparents.

April Events

12 - Strategic Planning Evening
15- Good Friday- No School
18-Easter Monday- No School
25-Spring Membership Meeting
26- Kindergarten Registration
9:30am-11:30am
27-Basketball Tournament

Birthday Corner



April 12
Tamara V-D

May Events

2-6 Christian Education Week
20- LCS Track & Field
23- Victoria Day- No School
May 30-June 2: Gr 7/8 Ottawa Trip

From the Classrooms

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

This week we will be focusing on Easter with our Bible lessons and also with some special Easter art projects. Our focus letter this week is letter Yy. We will focus on the sound letter y makes and recognizing upper and lowercase Yy.

In our **workbooks**, we will be finishing our review of capital letters and drawing Mat Man again!

In **math**, we are going to be focusing on printing numbers. We will print numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4 this week.

In **Bible**, we will read about Jesus' arrest, Peter's denial of Jesus, and Jesus' death on the cross and resurrection.

In **health**, we will be focusing on our sense of touch.

Tuesday is Library day, remember to return last week's books so students can choose new books.

Thursday we will gather with the rest of the school to have an assembly.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week we will be focusing on long vowel A and sorting by long vowel A and short vowel A sounds. Our new sight word is "said". We will focus on listening for the phonetic sounds that make up a word as well as identifying ending sounds.

In **math**, we will learn how to skip count by 2s and focus on printing numbers without reversals. Students will be introduced to solid shapes such as spheres and cubes.

In **Handwriting Without Tears**, we will learn about diver letters that take a plunge and work their way back up to swim in another direction. These letters include Pp, Rr and Nn.

In **Bible**, we will learn about the crucifixion.

On Thursday we will gather for an assembly to celebrate the sacrifice of our Saviour. Please gather with the school community at 9:40am in the gym. Have a great day!

Grade 1 and 2 – Mrs. Dykstra

Only 4 resurrection eggs to find this week until the BIG golden egg is opened! In **Bible** class, we worked on our Passion Week Journal as we reflected on the stories.

Language Skills

Full group phonics: more blends! We will stick mostly with 2-letter blends; for extension I will introduce 3-letter blends. We will continue our word hunt and write down as many blends as we can when reading together or on our own.

Reading & Writing: The book battle winner is *The Three Little Gators*! Our reading lessons going forward will be books and games featuring blends.

Grammar: We will focus on parts of speech for the next two weeks, mainly verbs and nouns. We also continue studying our new favourite grammar confusion: homophones. This is a tricky part of correct grammar - words that sound exactly the same but are totally different in meaning. We will create a poster illustrating different homophones.

Spelling: Lists are posted on Seesaw and Spelling City. Lists for Thursday April 14

Orange: blank, bleed, chart, chief, shore, shout, whine, where

Blue: dock, lock, buck, duck, neck, deck, tack, sack

Green: mad, nap, wet, web, did, rip, hut, bus

In **Creation Studies**, we studied precipitation and clouds last week. Students enjoyed our experiments: cloud in a jar, beaker of science evaporation, and frost jar. Now we explore water flow and why we need (and God provides) air and water to stay alive.

In **Grade 1 Math**, we ended our week with doubles days - we can add doubles! Going forward, we focus on skip counting backwards by 2s, and 5s (from 20 to 0), finding numbers in the hundred chart, and ordering numbers to 50.

Please remember that every **Tuesday** is our **library** day.

Grade 2 Math- Ms. ten Brink

We are in our second math book! Last week we moved onto our second book and have spent the last few days working on reviewing skip counting and will be moving on to discovering addition strategies later this week.

School News

Upcoming Pizza Days

Wednesday April 20th
&
Wednesday May 4th

Assembly

Thursday April 14 9:40 am

Battle of the Books

We will continue meeting every Thursday at snack recess. Save the date of April 21st for our competition.



Boys Basketball

This week boys basketball will practice after school on Wednesday April 13th and lunch time on Thursday. The basketball tournament is scheduled for Wednesday, April 27.



Girls Basketball

Girls basketball will practice on Monday at snack recess, Wednesday at lunch recess and Friday at lunch recess. This week on Thursday, the girls will meet for an after school practice from 3:30pm-4:30pm.

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

As we near Easter Weekend, I pray that you and your family feel the love of Christ. This is the greatest moment in history. Christ lived for you and Christ died for you. Christ rose from the dead to conquer sin and allow you to have eternal life.

Bible: We are continuing our study of Joseph. He has been an amazing example of a person with faith through hard times.

Gr 3 Math: We are working away on division.

Creation Studies: We are finishing up our research projects on our woodland mammals this week.

Language: This week, we will have our spelling assessment to decide on colour groups again. This is done a few times throughout the year. No spelling list.

Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

IKnowIt - This week's assignment is called "Polygons" and is due on THURSDAY.

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 - gnat, rap, knack, wreck, known, wrist, knot, gnaw, ring, wrap, knob, knit, wren, wrong, knight, knead, kneel, gnash, knee, wreath, wring, gnome
Spelling Squad - foxes, guesses, brushes, speeches, splashes, lunches, clothes, mixes, churches, crashes, books, peaches, classes, kisses, taxes, ditches, leashes, changes, branches, watches, places, ashes

Super Spellers - tack, kick, luck, rock, pick, tuck, back, pack, lock, quick, lick, stuck, rack, block, truck, clock, snack, black, quack, sick

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.

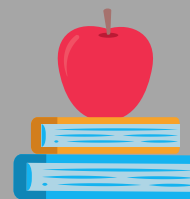
Memory Work - 1 Peter 2:5 - due THURSDAY - "You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

Grade 5 and 6 French- Ms. VanKampen:

Today, Monday, we will be reading a short piece/story that focuses on the "sh" sound – spelled "ch" (e.g. champignon, chemin, Charles etc.). Props and slides will be used to aid comprehension. We will also be completing an exercise involving matching French and English for typical classroom instructions and requests (e.g. Je ne comprends pas. = I do not understand., J'ai besoin d'un crayon. = I need a pencil.)

Wednesday, the plan is to begin a unit on the Community, places that one can go to or visit while making use of the verb aller (= to go).

Announcements



Employment Opportunity

We are looking for a Student Support Services Teacher (formerly called Resource Teacher). This is a 60% position but can be made full time with some classroom teaching if that is desired. If you are interested in this position, or know someone who might be, please contact me at principal@listowechristianschool.ca

Harriston Meats Fundraiser

This week we begin our last fundraiser for the grade 7-8 class and the first one for the grade 5-6 class to support their Ottawa trips. If you would like to order meat, please connect with a grade 5-8 student or let me (principal@listowelchristianschool) know and I will direct you to a student. Orders are open until Friday, April 29.

LCS Bazaar Committee

If you have any birch branches from the Christmas Bazaar urns, could you please return them to the school!

Are you doing some spring cleaning? Are you cleaning out some of your families unused toys... The bazaar committee would love to have any toys in good condition for the toy store. Please drop the toys off at the school as well.

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Siebenga

This week in the classroom:

In **Bible**, Jesus has been arrested and has been deserted. His followers have gone, the government has made their plea, and now we wait. Wait for Pilate to wash his hands, wait for his followers to go into hiding, for the crowd to get emotional, and for the prophecy to be fulfilled. This week student leadership will lead the school in an assembly based on Gathemene. A great time to reflect on what we have just studied. Have a reflective, inspirational Holy Week. May the reason for the season be on your hearts and minds.

In **Math**, the students are showing tremendous understanding and applicable relationships with fractions, percentages, and ratios. They will look to further their exposure with these concepts this week with some practical experiences. I will continue to assign tasks through Khan academy, and look for steady practice with basic facts on Fridays.

In **Reading**, the “Underground to Canada,” is going along well. The Literature Circle is operating with good results, and is proving to be a space where the students can apply what they are reading while putting on many different hats to explore the diverse content of the novel.

In **Social Studies**, we have jumped into our exploration of our Southern neighbours, the United States of America. The students will look to see what they know about our neighbours to the south in terms of their states, their past, culture and their landforms. As some of you may have watched the masters this past weekend, Go Connors Go, why is it that their gardens are so green, in full bloom, and we had snow on the ground yesterday morning? Hmm, why is that?

Spelling continues with new lists posted on Google classroom.

Memory Work: *"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might."* –Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Gr. 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

This week as we continue our unit on Simple Machines and Systems; we will be covering the wheel & axle, pulleys, wedge, and screw. We will also be taking a look at Rube Goldberg machines which employ a sequence of simple machines. Students will be placed in groups or pairs to begin planning their own Rube Goldberg machine.

Grade 7/8 Math – Mr. Boelens

The students are doing amazing work on this unit. This week we will finish off the unit and work toward a test next week. Next up.... Algebra and the Gauss math contest.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mrs. Vogel

An email will be sent home with this weeks information.