

April 19, 2022

Today, I list prayer items before you and invite you to pray with me for our schooling community.

1. We continue to pray for Martine Rastorfer. We pray for a miracle and her recovery. We pray for strength for Peter, Dylen, Stephanie, Emilie, Darren, and Peter Jr. as they support Martine and one another. During this post-resurrection season of spiritual new life, we pray for Martine's physical life and that it also be renewed.
2. We continue to pray for Katherine VanDonkersgoed. Katherine is also in need of physical new life and we pray for her healing and recovery. We pray for Jon and Karen, Tamara, and Trey as they journey this long road of trials together.
3. I pray for God to fill our job openings. As a school we are blessed with an amazing staff who are dedicated to LCS and working in a Christian environment. I pray that we continually find people who fit into our LCS team.
 - a. We are still accepting applications for a Student Support Services teacher. If you know of anyone who can fill that position, please encourage them to apply by sending me (Ed Boelens) an email.
 - b. Amanda VanderMeer has been our bookkeeper over the last several years. I appreciate her dedication to LCS and the detail in which she worked. She managed our finances accurately and with expertise. However, she is stepping down from that role. As a result, we are looking for someone to fill the role of LCS bookkeeper. If you, or someone you know, feel called to and qualified for the position, feel free to talk to me or Ron Haanstra or send questions to e.boelens@listowelchristianschool.ca.

It seems we are in this season of pleading with God for miracles, a season that highlights our dependency of Him. During this season, I am reminded of our theme verse, that we have a God who is as "an anchor for our soul, firm and secure" (Hebrews 6:19a) and our tag line reminds us that "Jesus never lets go of us". We pray with that confidence.

April Events

25-Spring Membership Meeting
22- Kindergarten Registration
9:30am-11:30am
27-Basketball Tournament

Birthday Corner



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

Hallelujah, Jesus is Alive! I pray that you had a great weekend and were able to celebrate Jesus' resurrection in a way that was meaningful to you.

This week our focus letter is letter Z, we will learn our final Jolly Phonics song to practice the sound letter z makes. In our **Handwriting Without Tears** workbook, we will be doing some upper and lowercase letter matching. Our **Bible** stories this week are about the appearances that Jesus made after he rose from the dead and also about the ascension.

In **math**, we will continue to print numbers, specifically 5, 6, and 7.

In **health**, we will wrap up our 5 Senses unit by celebrating God's gift of our five senses.

Tuesday is Library day, please remember to send in last week's books so students may choose new books.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

I hope you had a lovely Easter weekend celebrating our Saviour's death and resurrection.

This week we continue to work with short and long vowel Aa. We will sort according to sound and learn the silent "e" rule. We will be working with the order of the alphabet, engaging in listening activities and sorting by ending sounds. Our sight word will be "said".

In **math**, we will be learning how to count by 2s and will be introduced to 3D shapes such as spheres, cubes, cylinders, and cones. We continue to practice printing numbers to 20 and counting to 100.

In **Handwriting Without Tears**, we are working on diver letters which means they dive down and swim back up. We will focus on lowercase letters m and h. Students are copying sentences to learn to leave spaces between words and include punctuation.

Students are preparing themselves for Christian Education Week!
Have a great week!

Grade 1 and 2 – Mrs. Dykstra

1. We need your help, please. A carnival is coming to LCS for Christian education week. How fun! A little note is in your child's kidmail with the details.
2. In **Bible** class, we continue the Easter unit by illustrating the greatest story ever told: the Resurrection of Jesus! We also reflect on Romans 5: 6 and 8.
3. In **Creation Studies**, we plan to explore water sources and water conservation.
4. In **Grade 1 Math**, students will practice ordering numbers to 50, as well as finding numbers after, before, and in between.

5. Language Skills:

Full group phonics: blends, blends and more blends. We read by making sounds!

Reading & Writing: read alouds and writing opportunities linked to our study of clouds.

Grammar: verb, noun, and homophone games and activities

Spelling: Words for April 29th.

Orange: glass, plant, slack, clash, slush, flock, plump, cluck

Blue: slab, slim, plan, plot, plus, flop, flag, flip

Green: shin, shop, shot, shed, ship, shut, bash, cash

Grade 2 Math- Ms. ten Brink

We continue our look at addition strategies and how we can use 10s and 1s to quickly add numbers. We are making great progress in our second math book!

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

He has risen! What a great weekend to celebrate our Lord and Saviour.

Bible: We are continuing our study of Joseph and finishing it up. Today we learned about Jacob's relocation to Egypt with his entire family.

Gr. 3 Math: We are finishing up our unit on division. This week's focus will be on the relationship between multiplication and division.

Creation Studies: We are finishing out mammal projects this week. They are turning out very well!

Language: Last week we were unable to do our group assessments due to absences so we will try to do them this week.

Memory work: Due Friday

Psalm 135: 3-4

"Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;
sing praise to this name, for that is pleasant.

For the LORD has chosen Jacob to be his own,
Israel to be his treasured possession."

School News

Upcoming Pizza Days

Wednesday April 20th
&
Wednesday May 4th

Battle of the Books

There will be one more practice before our competition at school, from 11am-3pm on Thursday, April 21. All books should be returned to either Mrs. Vogel or Mrs. Delleman. Parents received a lunch order form by email. Please bring in money for any orders placed to give to Mrs. Vogel. It should be a fun day of competition! May the best team win!



Boys Basketball

This week boys basketball will practice after school on Wednesday April 20th and lunch time on Thursday. The basketball tournament is scheduled for Wednesday, April 27.



Girls Basketball

Girls basketball will practice on 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 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

IKnowIt - This week's assignment is called "Classifying Angles" and is due on FRIDAY.

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

Word Wizards - twig, quake, swan, tweet, quart, swell, quote, swing, twist, quiet, swift, twelve, quilt, swamp, quack, sway, twirl, sword, swipe, two, quite

Spelling Squad - loaf, lives, leaf, mouse, wolves, knives, tooth, women, geese, loaves, mice, knife, deer, leaves, woman, life, goose, wolf, teeth

Super Spellers - cash, dish, rash, flash, swish, smash, rush, hush, wish, crush, crash, mash, dash, mush, blush, flush

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 2:24 - due NEXT FRIDAY - "He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."

Grade 5 and 6 French- Ms. VanKampen:

Plans for Wednesday's class: 1) we will work with our Spring themed vocabulary; 2) we will revisit the short piece/story that focuses on the "sh" sound – spelled "ch" (e.g. champignon, chemin, Charles etc.). 3) we will likely play a numbers game as we typically do to reinforce and strengthen number recognition skills.

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Siebenga

Good Tuesday to you all,

We give praises to Him for sacrificing His Son in our place! I hope the chocolate was balanced, and that the true meaning of Easter was evident and reflected upon with family and friends.

This week in the classroom:

In **Bible**, as our calendar states, Easter is completed for another cycle. However, in our hearts, and in Grade 5 the betrayal, persecution, and pain is merely just begun! I say this lightly. We will follow the Roman trial of Jesus, his Crucifixion, and His Burial this week. We will reflect on his followers, those that stood by him, those that betrayed him, and be aware of the happenings in and around these great historic events.

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.

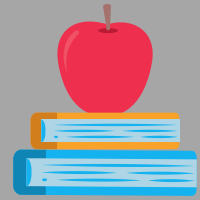
In **social studies** we are looking at American culture and the impact that this has on us! Wow! What an incredible force to be living so close to. As we explore the gifts that God has blessed us with it will be integral to see how these places, people, and culture, create lives, entertainment, and possibilities for the world. The students will be responsible for creating an infographic to share their discoveries. We will be exploring what these are, and how to use images to represent data.

This Friday is Earth day. Lord willing, we will be planting things with our Grade 1/2 buddies.

Spelling continues with new lists posted on Google classroom.

Memory Work: *Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."* John 14:5-7

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.

Gr. 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

On Wednesday, as we bring the unit on Simple Machines and Systems to a close, we will be spending some time focusing on the pulley and accompanying math problems; these will be submitted for assessment. Continued from last week, students, in groups or pairs, are planning, building, and testing their own Rube Goldberg machines. For assessment, presentations and demonstrations are planned for Wednesday, May 4th.

Grade 7/8 Math – Mr. Boelens

This week we will finish off with a review of integers and then our test. Next up, we will start algebra.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mrs. Vogel

Just a reminder for grade 7/8 students that their signed work folders are supposed to go home on Friday and be returned on Monday. Many of them have gotten in the habit of just whenever they remember, if they remember at all. This is to help both parents and students be a little more aware of how they are doing in different classes and ask questions if needed.

W.W.W. - We missed our review week last week just because of a few different things that happened throughout the week. With that said, we are going to do our review of units 1-5 this week.

Writing - This week is a continuation of our poetry unit.

Guided Reading - Chapter 7 assignment due Thursday, April 21. We are going to begin reading chapter 8 this week.

Bible - We finished our unit on Proverbs last week and the students will be getting their tests back this week.

Geography - We are going to be wrapping up our unit on Natural Resources this week and will be looking toward a test next week. Students will receive a review this week.

Art - We were able to participate a short study of the Ukrainian art of Polensky Egg Design. This week we will be able to continue our study in perspective both 2 and 1 point perspective.