

Weekly Messenger

May 2, 2022

This week we celebrate Christian education. Like a lot of things, you never realize what you have until it is taken away. Over the last few years, aspects of Christian education were taken away from us and we missed them. On the bright side, it made us realize the gift we have to send our children to a school that serves the same God we serve at home.

I have a renewed appreciation for the opportunity our staff have to daily impact each child's life.

Longer conversations, one-on-one discussions, time spent with students at recess times, and face-to-face interactions allow for enriched relationships. These are not always curricular times but times of sharing faith and role modeling Christian living. Sitting at home and teaching remotely, didn't always provide that same opportunity.

I have a renewed appreciation for the interaction of students from different grades. Now we are able to have reading buddies, assemblies, intramural tournaments, and combined recess times. It is great to see younger students being mentored by older students and older students appreciating the curiosity of younger students. The learning and friendships go both ways. Again, we model and teach the truth that God created everyone uniquely and we honour one another, easier to do in person rather than remotely.

I have a renewed appreciation for the volunteers in our school. LCS is supported by many people. We have some volunteers that spend time in some classrooms, the library, office, and then some respond to requests for volunteers. Our school now includes the coming and going of our full school community: grandparents, parents, and students. We missed that during remote learning.

As our school and school community return to how we knew it before, I regain my appreciation for Christian schools – where we work in unity for a common goal of “Educating children, while nurturing faith in Christ, to interpret and impact God's world (LCS Purpose Statement).

May Events

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

Birthday Corner



May 5
Stephanie R

May 7
Savannah W

June Events

11-LCS Fundraiser Golf Tournament
14- Baseball Tournament
20-SK Graduation
22- Grade 8 Graduation
24- Last Day of School

From the Classrooms

Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

It is May and we will be learning about *community helpers* this month and the different jobs there are in our communities.

Colour Days: To review our colours, we will be having colour days. Each Tuesday will be a different colour. This Tuesday is red day and I encourage students to wear something red!

We will be reviewing letters F-J this week by singing our songs, and matching upper and lowercase letters.

In our new workbooks we will be printing some more "Frog Jump" letters, E and D.

In **Bible**, we will be reading about Peter and the beggar and about Peter in jail.

In **math**, we will be completing a number review and print numbers 1-10. Our focus colour is black, and we will be looking at some new shapes: pentagon, hexagon and octagon.

Tuesday is library day, please send in any books from last week so students may choose new books.

Thursday is Grandparents Day! Please remember to send in lunch for your child and their grandparents as they will share lunch together.

Looking forward to a fun week!

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

This week is the most exciting week of the school year!

On **Monday**, we begin with an assembly at 9:40 am and then after recess we go to the Carnival, please bring up to \$5 in change to raise money for Edu Deo.

Tuesday Evening is an Art Gallery Walk with your child. Come to the school to see the art on display.

Thursday is Grandparents/Grandfriends Day. Bring food to share with your grandparents at lunch. No chocolate milk on this day. It will be served on Friday.

We also hope to learn this week as well.

We will focus on the long O vowel sound by sorting picture cards. We will segment words to hear the sounds of the letters so we can print words.

In **math**, we are learning about Probability and Patterns such as the seasons and the patterns in our week.

We will hear the story of Jesus blessing the children and Jesus teaching us how to pray. Our **memory verse** this week is Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6

We will also work on our Mother's Day surprise!

Any questions about any of the events please feel free to contact me at

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Have a great week!

Grade 1 and 2 – Mrs. Dykstra

Thank you for your help getting the grab bags for the LCS carnival! Your time and generosity is so very appreciated.

1. In **Bible** class, we will begin to study Jesus' parables. What is a parable? Ask your child why they think Jesus told parables.
2. We will tuck in a **health unit** this week and next on safety. Topics covered include fire safety, food safety, road safety, and standing up for yourself.
3. Our moms will be on our hearts and minds this week. Thank you Lord for moms!
4. In Grade 1 **math**, we completed our coin counting unit. We now learn about number lines, and we focus on subtraction using a number line.
5. We are eagerly anticipating Grandparents/Grandfriends Day on Thursday.

Language Skills

Full group phonics: word hunting for blends and vowel teams

Reading & Writing: Mother's Day read alouds and writing opportunities

Grammar: next up is adjectives. How can adjectives add interest to our readers?

Spelling - Friday May 14

Orange: flesh, click, block, smile, snack, snake, three, skate

Blue: star, tree, step, club, clam, drop, frog, plan

Green: chin, chop, chat, chip, much, such, cash, inch

Grade 2 Math- Ms. ten Brink

We have slowly been going through our lessons that are setting us up for addition of larger numbers and regrouping. It has been tricky. This week we will tackle the steps of being able to regroup in addition sentences. Soon we will begin using what we have learned and work with subtraction sentences.

Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Claus

An email will be sent home with this week's information.

School News

Upcoming Pizza Days

Wednesday May 4th
&
Wednesday May 18th

Field Day!

Yay! Field Day is happening this year. The date is Friday May 20th, 2022. We will need about 21 helpers/volunteers that day to make this event successful for our students. Some of the jobs include running events and leading groups of children to each event. This is a very good way for high school students to get some volunteer hours. Please let Michelle know at office@listowelchristianschool.ca if you are available that day. Any questions please contact me at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca Looking forward to working with you again!

Shopping Days at Oranje Grove

Come out to *Oranje Grove* in Palmerston for some amazing Dutch shopping and help support our school!

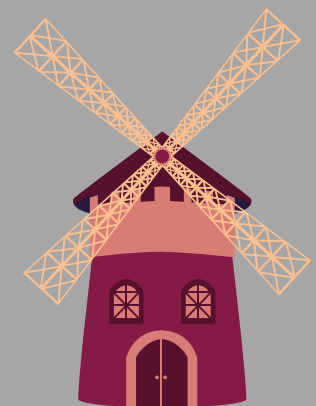
Join us May 26, 27 & 28!

The store is open:

Thursday-Friday 10am-5pm

Saturday 9am-3pm

20% of all sales will be donated to LCS! We appreciate your support!



Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

IKnowIt - NO IKnowIt this week.

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 - strange, spray, scram, sprain, strap, strict, stress, scream, scrap, sprout, scrape, string, stripe, struck, spread, scratch, stream, scrub, stretch, strength, straight
Spelling Squad - play, fry, stays, crying, plays, fried, sprays, fries, played, playing, frying, spies, staying, sprayed, cries, spraying, cry, spied, spy, stay, stayed, cried, spray, spying

Super Spellers - ship, chat, when, this, whip, shed, than, chip, chin, what, that, them, wham, then, thin, chill, check, which, shell, shack, shall, chick, chap, thick

All spelling lists can be found on Spelling City, with games available to review words. Go to [spellingcity.com/tdelleman](https://www.spellingcity.com/tdelleman) to find links to all the spelling list words and activities.

Memory Work - NO Memory Work this week.

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Siebenga

Hello folks,

I am sorry for scheduling so many tests last Friday. It is good to check in to see how the students are applying what they are learning in the classroom, and to wrap some things up before an exciting week. Either way, the students did well, and showed what they knew. There will be a few things to sign and return this week. I hope you all can experience the community connection that LCS provides this week. As little or much as you yourself is a part of it, know that I am honoured and grateful to be able to share Christian Education with your students. May God bless this week, and all the things that are in store.

This week in the classroom: In **Bible**, a new unit will be started. We will go back to Paul's Missionary journeys, and revisit Jesus's resurrection later. Praise Him that we can explore these early journeys in such a way.

In **math**, we have exhausted our exploration of the partial whole. At the very least, students bit off what they could chew, and applied the presented concepts in their practice, and can be happy with their results. Now we move on to data, graphs, organizing data in sheets / spreadsheets, creating charts, and linking other disciplines into surveys, handling their results, and expressing their findings.

In **reading** this week we will work with creating storyboards. An online resource, storyboardthat.com, will help kids create scenes from the story to depict different themes. The three themes we will discuss are perseverance, cruelty and bravery.

In **social studies**, the mini American culture projects and the infographics were done well. The students showed great tack in their navigation of Canva, and used their creative talent to show their understanding. Great job! We will now explore climographs and the state capitals. While looking at the location of the US states in relation to latitude, longitude and altitude. All these characteristics create some very interesting weather. From forest fires, floods, tornados, and drought, to bumper crops, pleasant evenings, and May flowers; the climate, geographic location, and terrain design provides our southern neighbours such a bounty of blessings.

Spelling continues with new lists posted on Google classroom.

Memory Work: "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." —Luke 12:32-34

**** Thanks in advance for the baked goods on Wednesday. Either made or bought, they will be appreciated, and quickly ate up.

Announcements

Grandparents Day Volunteers

Thank you to those who volunteered to help out with Grandparents' Day! An email was sent out today with a schedule of who signed up for when.

Grade 5/6 Goodies

Families in Grade 5/6 are asked to bring in a dozen goodies by Wednesday. They will be served to the grandparents on Thursday. Please put any contributions in the kitchen.



Harriston Meat Fundraiser

Wow, together between grades 5-8 we sold over \$40,000 worth of meat which means that students earned over \$4,000 toward their Ottawa trips. Thanks to everyone who bought meat and supported the students. Happy barbecuing!

Track & Field Practice!

This week during gym times and recess times students will be practicing different track and field events. Please make sure students come to school with running shoes (either worn to school or packed in their backpack) so that we can properly practice for our events. Thanks!



Grade 5 and 6 French- Ms. VanKampen:

We have concluded our mini unit on Spring (Le Printemps); the vocabulary quiz written last week was well done! We will continue with our focus on French language sounds: a review is planned for today with a formal assessment planned for Wednesday. We will also continue our reading practice with a short story introduced last week focusing on the long o sound produced with the "-au" spelling.

Gr. 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

Rube Goldberg Machine presentations/demonstrations will be assessed on Wednesday (May 4). Thus, work will continue in today's class and the earlier part of Wednesday's class will allow for setup and final testing. Next week we will begin our new [and likely final] unit on Fluids. This will deal with topics such as density, viscosity, pneumatics, and hydraulics.

Grade 7/8 Math – Mr. Boelens

This week we continue to work on our algebra unit, looking at patterns and describing patterns with expression. Daily homework will be assigned.

Grade 7 and 8 – Mrs. Vogel

Christian Education Week!

I'm so glad we are able to celebrate this with you this week! That said, we are still hoping to get into some new things this week.

W.W.W. - Unit 7 work and test on **Friday, May 6.**

Guided Reading - We are going to be working through Chapters 9 and 10 this week. Chapter 9 to be read by today, and chapter 10 to be read by **Thursday, May 5.**

Writing - We are going to be tackling our first type of poem this week and analyzing it so that we are able to

French - We finished our hockey unit this past week and are starting a new grammar unit this week.

Geography - Students wrote their test this past week and will receive it back this week.

History - We are picking up where we left off in Canadian History looking at the years 1800-1850.

Art - We are going to be finishing up our study on perspective this week.

Bible - We continue to look at the life and messages of the prophets in the Bible.

Announcements

LCS Best Ball Golf Tournament

Saturday June 11th, 2022
at Pike Lake Golf Course!

Registration: 1:30pm

Shot gun start: 2:00pm

Dinner begins: 5:00pm

Registration includes 9 holes of golf
and golf cart rental

Steak Dinner and Golf: \$120

9 Hole Golf Per Person: \$80

Steak Dinner Per Person: \$50

Please register by Friday May 13th to
save your team a spot!

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