

Weekly Messenger

May 9, 2022

Some words of thanks:

- 1. Thank you for your support of EduDeo through our carnival last week. Last Monday students brought money, played a few games, and bought some baked goods. Through that fun time, we are able to send \$540 to EduDeo and support them in their efforts to provide education in underdeveloped countries. While we celebrate the gift of Christian education in Listowel, we can also share the gift with others. What a blessing!
- 2. Thank you for your support by attending the art gallery. Last Tuesday night many of you came and walked around with your child(ren) to view art. It was good to see families interacting, children leading the way to show their art, and parents spending time to understand, appreciate, and encourage. I also enjoyed the fact that you not only viewed your child's art, but also the art of others. And we never underestimate the value of parents interacting with parents and teachers creating (recreating) community. It was good to see.
- 3. Thank you for supporting GrandParents and GrandFriends Day. Our Promotions and Hospitality Committee, along with the class parents, were great hosts and ensured that GrandParents felt welcomed with refreshments and decorations. Parents provided baked goods and lunches for the GrandParents. Many books were purchased for the library. The building was full of people of all ages and from a variety of places. I think we had a record turnout – probably 160 GrandParents and GrandFriends. It was good!

And now we move on to our next event: Track and Field. Once again, we will require your help. Time some races, measure jumping and throwing distances, or lead a group of students to each event. It promises to be another great day and we welcome your involvement.

We invite your help! As you know, Martine Rastorfer remains in the hospital. We continue to pray for her. In the meantime, we can support Peter and the children by bringing them lunches. Stephanie is in Grade 7, Emilie is in Grade 5, and Darren is in Grade 3. There is a link provided for you to sign up to bring a lunch for them. Please consider how you can help in this time of need. Below is the link: https://signup.com/go/OXScvMm



From the Classrooms

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

Grandparents day was wonderful! I am proud of all of the students and how well they did up on stage for our verse and song. I think they enjoyed it as well!

This week we will be doing some finger painting and reading some stories about different jobs that people have in our community.

Our review letters this week are K, L, M, N and O. We will sing the Jolly Phonics songs for these letters and do some upper and lowercase letter matching activities.

In our workbooks, we will be printing more frog jump letters; P, B, R and N.

In **Bible**, we will be reading about Dorcas and about Philip. Our new memory verse is John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." We are also learning a new song, "This Little Light of Mine".

In math, we will be revisiting patterns, and reviewing size and position words.

In health, we will begin a new unit called "Being Safe" learning about basic safety issues.

Reminder: Tuesday is library day, please remember to return last week's books so students may choose a new book.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

Wow!! What a fantastic week we had celebrating Christian Education Week! God is good!

This week we will focus on the short and long sound of vowel O, we will be listening for medial sounds to identify the vowel. Students are being encouraged to print some words in their journals. Our new sight word is "WAS". I am sure your children will tell you about the Fuzz of WAS!

In **math**, we will finish our probability unit on Tuesday and the students will be introduced to subtraction.

In Handwriting Without Tears, we are focusing on proper sentence structure such as spaces between words and punctuation.

We will learn about caterpillars, butterflies, and moths. Exploring God's creation is such a great learning opportunity.

Some upcoming dates: FRIDAY MAY 20th, 2022-No school for SK as they do not participate in Field Day.

FRIDAY MAY 27, 2022- Field Trip to Camp Kintail- We will leave the school at 9am and be back for buses at 3pm. If you are interested in coming along, please email me at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca or text me at 519-492-2981. We will be going with grades 1 to 3 and will need to dress for the weather as well as bring our own lunch and snack.

MONDAY JUNE 20TH, 2022- SK Graduation at 2:30pm in the gym. Come celebrate with us the milestones your children have achieved over the last 2 years. The whole school celebrates with us. You are welcome to bring Grandparents, family, and any significant person in your child's life.

Any questions please ask. (Students still come to school until the last day of school which is the Friday. We have things to learn, clean up to happen, and games to play!)

Hope all the MOMs had a fantastic Mother's Day! You are loved! I hear it in your child's conversation! Have a great week!

<u>Grade 1 and 2 – Mrs. Dykstra</u>

Christian Education Week was filled with fun and memories! Thanks to you, parents, for all you did to make the week a success.

SK, Grades 1, 2 & 3 Field Trip - FRIDAY MAY 27, 2022 to Camp Kintail- We will leave the school at 9am and be back for buses at 3pm. If you are interested in coming along (must drive yourself), please email me at d.dykstra@listowelchristianschool.ca . We will need to dress for the weather as well as bring our own lunch and snack.

1. In **Bible** class, we continue to learn about Jesus' parables.

2. We will complete our health unit on safety topics this week.

3. In Grade 1 math, students continue working on subtraction skills.

Language Skills

Full group phonics: vowel teams *Reading & Writing:* Our caterpillars have arrived! Our writing focuses on our observations of these creatures in God's creation. What changes will we notice? *Spelling - this 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

School News

Upcoming Pizza Day

Wednesday May 18th

Field Day Volunteers Needed!

Yay! Field Day is happening this year. The date is Friday May 20th, 2022 and we still need volunteers to help make this a successful day for our students. We have made a sign-up link: https://signup.com/go/DQwfAtM You can sign up for a specific task for the day. Any questions please contact Marlene at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca or Michelle in the office at office@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 2 Math- Ms. ten Brink

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

Grade 2 and 3- Mrs. Claus

Wow! Last week was such a good week. It was amazing seeing so many people on both Tuesday evening and Thursday. The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Now we are getting back to routine!

Bible: We are starting a new unit on Moses and the Exodus. **Gr 3 Math**: We are finishing up our unit on Patterns and will have a test this week.

Language: Our spelling test was postponed until this week. We are focusing on more long 'a' words and homophones:

break, brake, prey, pray, steak, stake, vein, veil, take, they **Creation Studies**: Our tadpoles are still alive! We are doing group work this week on different amphibians.

Coming up on May 27 is our Field Trip. We are heading to Camp Kintail with SK and 1/2. We will be leaving the school at 9 and be back by 3. We are looking forward to a great day of activities and games. If you are interested in joining us, please let me know.

Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

Creation Studies - We have finished a unit on Matter. Students will have a test on WEDNESDAY. They will take home their duotangs to help with studying and Smartboard notes will be sent home on Tuesday.

IKnowIt - Solid Shapes - due FRIDAY

Spelling - Below are the spelling teams and their words. Each team will need to study all these words in preparation for 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 to find links to all the spelling list words and activities.

Memory Work - 1 Peter 4:9-10a - "Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others." - due NEXT Thursday.

Announcements

Croquette Orders

Last week, we sent an order form home for croquette orders from Oranje Grove. If you could please send the office your order either by email at office@listowelchrisitanschool.ca or dropping it off at the office by May 18th! Payment for croquettes will be at Oranje Grove at their store in Palmterston, on pick up day which is Friday May 27th. Thank-you!



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 - Mr. Siebenga

Hiya folks,

What a great week, last week. I hope the community that LCS provides, was felt and appreciated. Moving forward...

This week in the classroom:

In **Bible**, as Paul set out again, he did so with such fervour, determination, and conviction. He was connected with God's calling and listened intently to the directions given. This set the path forth for him to follow, people were placed in front of him to support and guide his efforts. We don't always have such a direction for our lives or perhaps we don't listen. I know I fall into this regularly. As we glean these trips and interactions, the students will be presented with maps, artefacts, and "days in the life" of the travellers, supporters, and challengers that Paul faced. I pray the Holy Spirit will work to bring these amazing journeys to life for the students.

In **math**, we have carried on with data, representing and managing it. This week we will reflect and practice using mean, mode, median, and range; while looking at graphs, charts, and with data that links to their individual characteristics and information about who they are.

In **reading**, we will use the online storyboard resource this week. Last week, storyboards were introduced, but we were unable to find the time in last week's busyness to square away the time to apply them. Chapters 13/14 are due by week's end, and the students will be working with their groups to complete their duties in their literature circles.

In **social studies**, we practised using the data from certain cities to create climographs. Now the students will use Google Sheets to turn this data into a digital climograph. They will choose a city / capital that corresponds with the location that they chose from a previous picture collage. The size, and scope of the United States will be presented through these graphs, showing the breadth of locale within our southerly neighbours.

Personal / social / physical education, Over the remainder of the year we will look at healthy living by exploring our eating habits, foods to eat more of, and foods that we should try to stay away from. Personally, this will be a chance for me to reexamine my own self-control relating to healthy living. I hope the students will personally explore their habits, what works best for them, and how they can live their healthiest, most effective lives.

Spelling continues with new lists posted on Google classroom.

Memory Work: [But] the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. — Galatians 5:22-23

Grade 5 and 6 French- Ms. VanKampen:

Today, this afternoon's class, we will play a few different games which make use of recently learned vocabulary, the ongoing effort to learn our numbers, and focus on the sounds created by specific letter combinations.

As we continue to focus on sounds within the French language, students will be practicing oral reading on Wednesday, in small groups, using the stories we have been doing over the past few weeks. The plan: each respective group will read their assigned story, as well as a sight passage, to me next week for assessment purposes. Thus, I will be working with each group to assist, provide guidance, etc. as they 'practice' and increase their familiarity with their story and pronunciations.

Announcements

Harriston Meat Fundraiser

The last step for this fundraiser is to receive and deliver the meat. The meat will be delivered to the school Tuesday May 17 at 1:00. I would love some volunteers to help sort the orders. Once they are sorted, the orders will be ready for pickup by 3:00. Please make arrangements since we have no place to store the meat overnight.

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!

For more information please contact Chandra at: fundraising@listowelchristianscho ol.ca



Gr. 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

This week we begin our final unit: Fluids which will deal with topics such as density, viscosity, pneumatics, and hydraulics. This week we will consider the fluids that we encounter in our daily lives, examine fluid flow, and time permitting, viscosity.

Homework for Wednesday: Think about the fluids in your life and the devices that use them. Make a list of 20 fluids as well as the machine or instrument that uses that fluid (where or as applicable).

Grade 7/8 Math - Mr. Boelens

This week the grade 8s will begin to solve algebraic equations. We will try to squeeze in a test on Friday. The Grade 7s are experimenting with algebraic expressions. We will provide lots of practice with this new topic. Daily homework will be assigned.

Grade 7 and 8 - Mrs. Vogel

French - We have begun our new grammar unit looking at irregular verbs.

W.W.W. - Unit 8 work and test on Friday, May 13.

Writing - We are going to be working on spoken word poetry this week. Poetic Devices Quiz on Tuesday, May 10. Guided reading - Our focus will be on chapters 10 and 11 this week.

Bible - Memory work (Habbakuk 3:17-18) due on Friday, May 13.

History - Continuing our new unit this week.

Art - We hope to start our quilt project this week. If you or anyone you know is an experienced quilter and would be willing to help make this project come to life, please let me know.