

June 20, 2022

Wow, another school year is drawing to a close.

Throughout this year, in our staff devotions, we have prayed for all of you, our families. We highlight you and your children and how you each contribute to the life of LCS. What a blessing to be supported by such an amazing parent community!

I know especially the last few months we asked for your help. There was track and field, both LCS and district where we needed lots of help, field trips where we required chaperones, sports teams where we needed drivers, lately there were graduation details for Grade 7 and 8 parents, and then many of you provided lunches for the Rastorfer children. This doesn't even account for all the committees and fundraisers that also required your time and effort. At all these times, you stepped up, offered your time and support, enabled opportunities for the students to happen, and contributed to LCS being a great place for everyone. Thank you! Your efforts don't go unnoticed. We thank God that you are the "cloud of witnesses" that make LCS happen.

As you head into the summer break, we pray that you will continue to experience and see God in new and different ways. Maybe you will see him in your rest, maybe in new areas of exploring his creation, or maybe just in your daily activities. Maybe there will be very exciting times but maybe there will be very difficult times. In all times, remember that "we have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure". Jesus will never let go of us! What a great God we have.

And now, a few reminders:

1. If you have an LCS jersey at home, please wash it and return it to the school.
2. Final report cards will come home on Friday. Take some time and review them with your child. Celebrate their growth over their year of learning.
3. Friday we are dismissing the students early. **Buses will leave LCS at 2:00 pm.**

Looking ahead: Next week you will receive an email with a few important attachments. One will be the supplies list for next school year. The other will be next school year's calendar with important dates. We hope these will help you with planning.

Announcement

All library books need to be returned to the library this week!



Birthday Corner



June 23
Damian R

June 24
Henrik L

June 25
Kyla W

June 25
Adam V

June Events

20- SK Graduation
22- Grade 8 Graduation
24- Report cards go home
24- Water Activities!
24- Last Day of School-2pm
Dismissal

From the Classrooms



Junior Kindergarten – Mrs. Baarda

I can hardly believe it is the last week of school! It has been a great year and I want to thank you for letting me teach your children this year. I have enjoyed getting to know each and every one of them. I pray that you will have a blessed and fun summer vacation!

Our second printing workbook (purple) will be coming home this week. We are only part way through, but feel free to complete the pages throughout the summer if you like. There may also be pages in the green workbook that I sent home last week that students may have missed if they were absent.

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

Here is what is happening this Week!!!

NOTE THERE HAVE BEEN CHANGES FROM THE ORIGINAL ONE SENT.

Monday- 2pm Graduation- Students have prepared a program to share with you. They will need 1 or 2 stuffed animals to use for Noah's Ark. *If you are taking your child home from the graduation, please let Michelle know at the office before coming to the Graduation. OR email office@listowelchristianschool.ca.*

Tuesday-Summer Birthday Celebrations for Amy, Colton and Scotti. NO HOTDOG LUNCH BUT PIZZA INSTEAD. YAY! FROM DOMINOS Please send snacks and drinks for the day. **Please return all library books.**

Wednesday-HOME DAY

Thursday- HOTDOG DAY!!!! THANK YOU MRS. HIEMSTRA AND MRS. STEGE

A visit with Mrs. Dykstra. Chromebooks-headphones will be sent home and all of the last papers and belongings from the classroom. **PLEASE SEND AN EXTRA BAG TO TAKE ALL WORKBOOKS HOME.**

Friday-We will begin the day with an assembly where we will do some singing and watching a video of the past year. Parents are welcome to attend. It will begin shortly after 9am

We will have an early lunch and begin water games from 1-1:30pm with our school teams. **NO BATHING SUITS, SHORTS AND T-SHIRTS , A TOWEL AND A BAG FOR WET CLOTHES. Label as much as possible, to keep it all straight.** 1:30 to 1:45pm - a **WATER GUN FIGHT** with many boundaries and options to take part or to step away.

2pm-EARLY DISMISSAL. Please be aware that your child will be home an hour earlier than usual.

Have a fantastic summer! Keep on reading! Thank you for sharing your child with me this year. They are a fabulous class. I feel so blessed! See you in September!

Grade 1 and 2- Mrs. Dykstra

It is hard to believe it is the last week of school for students. I pray it will be a good week of endings and goodbyes. What an absolute pleasure to work with your child and partner with you this year. I pray your family will rest in God's peace and presence this summer.

Tuesday free pizza slice! Dominos has gifted each kiddo at our school with a slice of pizza. Students will need their usual snacks and drinks, but not a full lunch (unless they need more).

In **Bible** class, we will wrap up our studies on the Early Church.

In **Creation Studies**, we will finish up our posters on animals; it is amazing to learn about the different animals in God's world.

In **Grade 1 Math**, we try a new "Esti-mystery" everyday until the end of Grade One! Lots of higher order thinking going on to figure out the best estimate.

Language Skills:

Full group phonics: We will take a quick trip through the year of phonics learnings and celebrate how far we have come!

Reading and Writing: Mo Willems week! We end the year the same as we started with writing - in the style of Mo Willems. This time we focus the hilarious "pigeon" books Mr. Willems wrote. We will write an opinion piece based on these learnings, and apply the skills of speech bubbles to enhance our writing.

Grade 2 Math- Ms. ten Brink

We have made it to the last week! We will spend the week looking at multiplication, division, and time. It has been a wonderful year of learning with the grade 2s. I am so proud of how much you have all grown!

Announcements

Buckets for Drumming

The music classes could use 5 gallon plastic buckets for drumming. If you have some you would like to donate, please bring them into the office!
Thank-you!

Summer Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to the following students celebrating a birthday this summer!

July

Amy B- 7
Emily K-8
Dayna W-8
Delaney O-22
Jayna V.K-25

August

Samuel K-1
Justin V-1
Lexie C-3
Colin B-4
Peter H-5
Colton V-5
Scottie V-6
Alyssa S-9
Danika F-10
Logan H-10
Bentley B-15
Nixon R-20
Jaxton B-24
Maddie D-26
Skylar F-26



Grade 8 Graduation

You are all invited to celebrate our graduates on Wednesday evening, June 22. The graduation ceremony will begin at 8:00 pm. in the gym.



Grade 2 and 3- Mrs. Claus

It is unbelievable that we have arrived at the last week of school. Time flew this year and your children have grown so much. I was so blessed by the kids and your support. Thank you for a great year.

Today we will attend the Senior Kindergarten graduation. This is a special time we can come together as a community and rejoice in the progress made by this class. It will be at 2:00pm and all are welcome.

This week we plan to continue with as much routine as possible. Supplies and such will be sent home throughout the week. However, if your child is ending school early please let me know so I can arrange for their things to go home with them.

Water day is on Friday. We will participate in water activities and then a water fight at the end of the day. Students are asked to wear t-shirts and shorts rather than a bathing suit. Water guns should be labeled so we don't run into fights over whose gun is whose. Sharpie works great. If you have any questions please let me know!

I wish you all an amazing summer. May God bless you and keep you safe.

Love,

Mrs. Claus

Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

It has been an awesome year in Grade 4/5! Thanks for all your hard work and enjoy your summer!!! - Mrs. Delleman

Library - There are just a few library books missing from our class - please send them in as soon as you can!

Spelling - Final Spelling Dictation on Wednesday

Word Wizards - tease, loose, force, noise, choose, sense, juice, mouse, cheese, lose, rinse, ounce, false, raise, geese, nurse, worse, voice, verse, bruise, chase

Spelling Squad - gauge, zigzag, vague, league, guard, shrug, fatigue, iceberg, catalog, guitar, language, guide, guilty, plague, intrigue, argue, guest, strong

Super Spellers - cash, rich, moth, class, path, boss, kiss, math, much, with, quack, wish, such, quick, miss, rush, bath, pass, clock, stuck, grass, wash, brush, push

Grade 5 and 6 – Mr. Siebenga

So this is it. The last message for the year. Let's finish strong!

This week in the classroom:

In **Bible**, we will wrap up revelation this week. The students have done well to tackle this challenging book. It is an interesting read, it sort of reminds me of a rock and roll video from the 80's. :) The students will wrap this unit up with a poster creation nearing week's end depicting the images that stick with them, illustrating the hope that is expressed through the book's sometimes gruesome descriptions.

In **math**, a unit problem to end the year off on probability for Grade 5. Exploration of the algebraic equation for the 6's. Khan academy activities, videos, and extra practice have been assigned.

In **writing**, we have created a Poetry Playoff and it is now in its third round. Thank you for the support having the students bring in poetry! From these introductions and our continued attempts, stumbles, and successes, the students will continue working with Haiku, Diamante, Sonnets, free verse, and Kenning techniques and styles of poetry to unleash their creative expressions.

***The poetry evening is a go! Please see the invite that was sent home last Friday. Email all queries and concerns, and requests to r.siebenga@listowelchristianschool.ca**

**** Bring poetry, grillables, blankets or lawn chairs, clothing specific to weather, your smile**

*****It should be quite the night!**

In **social studies**, our last unit in science will be on "Space." As time is of the essence, we will revisit the Passion Project model to enable students to ask big questions, practice their research skills, implement applicable technology, and apply this to discovery. Mr. Bill Los will join us in class on Wednesday afternoon to debrief some of the sights from the Astro evening. **Some students have chosen their own partners for this last round of passion projects. I look forward to the connections, uncertainties, and new discoveries of this project! Presentations will be on THURSDAY!**

Personal / Social / Physical Education - The students will reflect on their acronyms this week. What worked? What didn't? What ultimate strengths and weaknesses are there regarding the food and their habits? In **art**, the students have displayed their 3D acronym sculpture and poster in the school atrium.

Fair Art - As we continue to utilize the Mossy cow planner, students can work through some of these tasks as things that they "Want" to do. **These are due before Friday.**

Spelling The Week of the SEE! Our groups will be used within our SPELLING SEE, which is scheduled for June 23rd. The students will write the words on a whiteboard, and compete against spellers within their own leveled group. A winner will be found from each group, and will be reigned as "Super Speller."

Memory Work: *[For] God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. —2 Timothy 1:7*

Grade 5 and 6 French- Ms. VanKampen:

We will gather for the last time on Wednesday morning. Planning to engage students in games once again as we did last week. Vive les vacances d'été!

Gr. 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

Wednesday morning, students will be creating a pneumatic or hydraulic device using on-line video instructions. An email was issued to 7/8 last week containing the URL's for 5 or 6 desk-top sized projects -- students are to make their choice and may work independently or with a partner. While materials will be provided; students will need to familiarize themselves with what their particular project requires.

Blessings to all for the upcoming summer!

Grade 7/8 Math – Mr. Boelens

This week, Grade 7 will spend some time reviewing what they learned all year. Daily assignments will be given. Grade 8 did an excellent job staying focused to complete, or almost complete, their independent unit. This week, they will put their finishing touches on graduation and preparations for Wednesday. It has been a pleasure to teach each of them.

Grade 7/8- Mrs. Vogel

Grade 7/8, I've really enjoyed being able to come back and teach you all these past few months. I'm excited to celebrate graduation with the grade 8 class on Wednesday and look forward to seeing the grade 7's again in September as the new grade 8's! May God bless you all through the summer as you experience new things, make new memories and have time with family and friends.

This week - We performed in our class Poetry Slam today and will finish it tomorrow. We are watching The Hobbit and working through the rest of the passe compose worksheets in French.

Reminder that there is one slice of pizza for each student tomorrow for lunch but students need to provide the rest of their lunch themselves.

Thursday we are going to be enjoying some time as a class working together playing games and seeing what our new class will be like next year. Students are welcome to bring a game or treat to share with the class if they would like.

On Friday, please bring a labelled water gun and a change of clothes for the ride home.

May God Bless you all through the summer,
Mrs. Vogel

Music- Mrs. Wright

It has been a joy to teach music to your children this year. We are grateful for the things we were able to learn and explore. Here are some highlights from this school year: being able to sing together, grades 4-6 students learning a wind instrument for the first time in two years, the grades 7-8 students learning to play the ukulele, learning about our composers of the month, doing Drum Fit in the winter, singing camp songs, preparing songs and pieces for Grandparents' Day, having a caroling choir at Christmas and lifting up songs of thanksgiving and praise to God.

Many blessings to you and your family as you enjoy the summer months.
Have a wonderful summer!

Mrs. Wright

