

Weekly Messenger

June 12, 2023

Once again, I am thankful and humbled.

Saturday, we had our LCS golf tournament. Thankfully, we were blessed with great weather, a nice course, great company, and good spirits. I am thankful to the organizing committee that put up with my disorganization and procrastination. I never officially registered as a golfer nor as a dinner guest. However, they graciously accepted me, placed me with a nice foursome group, fed me, and made me feel honoured. Thanks team! Thanks for overlooking my shortcomings. I am thankful and humbled by your service.

Also, when I looked at the table where the organizers sat, some new people were leading the organizing team but many of these same ladies just finished the Spring auction. Here they were giving more of their time and energy, sacrificing a nice day to spend in their own yards or with their own families. I am thankful and humbled by their servant hearts.

Similarly, when I looked at the golfers and dinner guests, I saw Board members, committee members, financial sponsors, and a variety of people who give of themselves and their finances to support LCS. Wow! What a blessing. I am thankful and humbled by their commitment.

We are also in a busy time of field trips and athletic events. Many parents have joined us on field trips, helped us with driving, supervision and safety, and allowed these opportunities to be available to the students. I am thankful and humbled by your willingness to engage in the education of your children. I am thankful, humbled, amazed, pleased, and I stand in awe of your commitment to LCS. Thanks for partnering with us in our purpose of "educating children while nurturing faith in Christ to interpret and impact God's World".

Tuition Forms: Just a reminder that tuition forms are due back to the office by Friday June 23rd. If you have any questions, please email Anita at finance@listowelchristianschool.ca

June Events

- 15- District Track & Field-No School at LCS
- 16- Gr 2/3 Field trip to Safety Village
- 16- Gr 4/5/6 Field trip to Between the Lines



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Isaac S

June 16
Adriana V

June Events

- 19- SK Graduation
- 20- Student Leadership Presents: Crazy Hair Day!
- 21- Grade 8 Graduation
- 23- Last day of School
- 23- Final Report Cards go home

Junior Kindergarten- Mrs. Baarda

A big thank you to Mrs. Rastorfer, Mrs. Mulder, Mrs. Wilting and Mrs. Kikkert for coming with us on our field trip to the fire station and park last Thursday. It was a great day!

Tuesday is **Favourite Colour day**. Students can wear their favourite colour!

We have started working on some art for the Listowel Fair which we will continue to work on for the next couple of days. We are also working on a special project for our Dads that will be sent home Tuesday.

We will be reviewing letters U-Z this week. We will also be doing some printing pages for letters G and H.

In **Bible**, we have been learning about Paul and how he came to follow and tell about Jesus.

Last week was our last chance to take books out of the library. Please return any outstanding books from the school library so they can be reshelved by the librarians.

A reminder that this Thursday, June 15, there will be **no school** due to District Track and Field Day.

Senior Kindergarten- Mrs. Heida

Welcome to the second last week of school! Amazing!

This week we will focus on the letter Hh by listening for beginning sounds, segmenting words and blending sounds together to read a word. This week the students may bring in a show and tell on one day only. Any day and anything that does not frighten Mrs. Heida.

In **Handwriting Without Tears**, we will continue to review how to print sentences.

In **Bible**, we will be learning about Jesus meeting Nicodemus and Zacchaeus. We say our **memory work** daily: Matthew 19:14.

In **math**, we will discuss the words likely, unlikely, sometimes, never and always.

We will have outside chalk art day on Tuesday and Bubble and Volcano Day on Friday. We will be working on our Father's Day surprises.

NO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY AS THE STAFF IS AWAY AT DISTRICT FIELD DAY

On Monday June 19, 2023, SK Graduation will begin at 2PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

On Tuesday June 20, 2023, is WACKY HAIR DAY. That is our last school spirit day.

In SK, we will celebrate all the summer birthdays together.

On Friday June 23, 2023, we will have school team water events and at the end a water fight that is well regulated. Your child will be asked to wear a pair of shorts and t-shirts for the water events and a pair of shoes/sandals/swim shoes. They will need to bring a towel, a dry set of clothing, and a water gun. I will explain more next week.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca or text me at 519-492-2981.

Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Mrs. Dykstra

We are working steadily along in Grade One. We tried new skills last week such as note-taking, copying long sentences in our entomologist journal, writing in our feelings journal, telling time to the hour and half-hour. It is good to see the students' stamina and grit in these final weeks.

Library: Please have your child return all library books this week. If your child has lost or misplaced a library book, please ask for the reimbursement cost and send payment to the school as soon as possible.

In **Bible**, we continue to work on memorizing Psalm 18: 1-2, with daily practice.

We've almost got it down pat! This week we will finish off our unit on Judges. Our final unit is on Samuel and Saul; God kept his promise to the Israelites even though they were unfaithful. God directed Samuel to anoint first Saul and then David to be Israel's first two kings.

Reading/Writing: Poetry practice as well as writing about our feelings in Health.

Spelling: Our final "show what you know" for spelling words is Friday, June 16 (note the change of date due to no school on Thursday). We will practice compound words (using graphemes and syllable rules we have practiced all year): footrest, sunfish, suntan, pigpen, dishpan, himself, sandbox, bathtub, pickup, hotdog, sunset, teapot.

Math: Probability and data management is our final unit; we wrap up our telling time unit before we transition to that final unit of Grade One math.

Creation Studies: God's beautiful plants are the final unit we are exploring. What are the needs of plants? To complement this, we will read a few versions of The Enormous Turnip, a folk tale.

Chapter book read aloud: Heartwood Hotel series: Home Again.

Grade 2- Mrs. Koersen

Wishing you a great week! Thursday I will be at the district track and field meet.

Friday is our Field trip! **Please have your child bring a bike helmet for our field trip** (good idea to label it as well). We will be heading to the safety village at 9:00 AM and back for afternoon buses. Reminder that we will be having a Subway lunch at the safety village - if your child does not enjoy Subway let me know - and also pack a lunch for them. Also ensure you pack snacks too. Thanks to the parents joining us! Reminder that we are leading our closing assembly June 23 at 9:40 AM.

Announcements

Goodies for Grade 8 Grad

Students in Grade 1-6 are asked to please provide 1 dozen baked goods (nut free) for our Graduation night. Please bring them to the office by Tuesday June 20th! Thank-you!

District Field Day

All parents should have received an email last week about their child's participation in District Field Day. If you didn't receive an email, then your child did not qualify this year. The bus will leave LCS at 7:30 am on Thursday. Please arrive early enough so we can take attendance, ensure everyone is there, and leave on time. There is no concession stand so every student should bring enough food and water for themselves for the whole day - it is a long day. Parents, if you still want to volunteer to lead a group, we can assign one to you. If you are driving separately, let us know so we are not waiting for you. Looking forward to an excellent day!

Private Piano Lessons & Voice Lessons

Mrs. Wright will once again be offering private piano lessons and voice lessons this year at the school. Registration for students currently taking lessons is open until Friday June 9. Registration for new students will start following June 10. Lessons will be happening during the school day and students in grades 1 and up are welcome. This is convenient for parents so that they don't have to drive to another activity. There will be an additional day opening up this year on Thursdays so if this is something you've been hoping to do for a while, this could be your opportunity! There are limited spaces. If you would like more information please email Mrs. Wright:
a.wright@listowelchristianschool.ca

Grade 2- Mrs. Grundlingh

We have 2 more school weeks left. I was busy writing report cards over the weekend. As I typed their achievements and wrote the comments at the bottom of the report card my heart was filled with pride, because these students worked so hard and gave their best. My heart is also filled with a little sadness because as a teacher you get to help the students in your class grow emotionally and academically, and I will surely miss hearing all the things they share about their lives. It is such a privilege and blessing to be able to teach kids. So here goes our outline of our work for this second last week of this school year:

Math: This week we are still working on our money unit and we will start revising some of our other math that we have done throughout the year.

Spelling & phonics: This week, we are studying words with the phonic skill complex vowel: aw, all, alk, alt. No homework sheet is going home, we will practice these sounds in class for this week. No test next week.

Popcorn words & reading: Practice popcorn words with your children throughout the summer and encourage them to read read read!

Writing: This week and next week we are working on end of the year writing projects that will be sent home on their last day with me. We are also working on a poem and a colouring page for the fair.

Reading: In our decodable readers, we will read a story focusing on the phonic skill complex vowel: aw, all, alk, alt.

Library: Please send all library books back to school tomorrow. Last week was the last day they visited the library. Tomorrow they are just returning all their books.

Grade 3- Mrs. Claus

The rain has arrived! Our class has been praying for rain and God has answered our prayers. He is so good to us. This is a short week in the classroom but a full week for some of us! We are really looking forward to our Class Trip to the Safety Village on Friday. **All students need a bike helmet along on Friday for our Class Trip.** They will also need to bring a water bottle and snacks along. If your child is not having Subway please let us know ASAP!

Bible: We are continuing to learn about the Early Church and their struggles.

Math: We have started a unit on fractions!

Language: Phonics focus is on synonyms, antonyms, and homonyms. No spelling test this week.

Health: We have our test today!

Memory Work: Due Wednesday. "So accept one another in order to bring praise to God."- Romans 15:7

Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

I Know It - due FRIDAY - Perimeter

FIELD TRIP - Our field trip is on FRIDAY! It is during school hours and we are back for lunch. Just make sure students come with running shoes!

Spelling - Below are the team names and their spelling lists:

- **Spelling Spiders** - bled, head, bleed, each, when, dead, street, reach, dream, bread, queen, swept, great, breath, beach, deaf, lead, sweet, steam, lead, break
- **Speed Spellers** - bookcase, lighthouse, snowman, headache, downhill, headphones, downstairs, headfirst, bookmark, snowflake, downtown, daylight, flashlight, notebook, downpour, snowstorm, headlight, cookbook, scrapbook, sunlight, countdown, snowplow, headstrong, lightweight
- **Spelling Sloths** - imaginary, bravery, category, stationary, library, machinery, lavatory, stationary, mystery, inventory, military, ordinary, scenery, dormitory, victory, history, necessary, century, delivery, February, directory, secretary, January, grocery, factory

FRIDAY, we will have a dictation where 10 words from each list will be chosen. If you go to spellingcity.com/tdelleman, students will be able to access their lists and play games online using their words.

Grade 4/5 and 6 French- Ms. VanKampen:

French 4/5: Les Parties du Corps: Students have made great progress in completing their body outlines. Following colouring, body parts will be labelled. A brief write up [about one's physical appearance] will accompany this assignment.

French 5/6: Les Sports: We will continue to complete some activity pages that focus on unit vocabulary and the use of the verbs faire (to do) and jouer (to play). Students will also have some oral practice in sharing the sport(s) that they play/do/enjoy/dislike.

Announcements

Buckets for Bucket Drumming

If you receive supplies in plastic buckets at your workplace or farm and you have a surplus would you consider donating them to the school music department? We would use them for bucket drumming (We need about 10 more for a class set!). Cleaned out buckets or pails that hold around 5 gallons would be appreciated! Thank you. They can be dropped off to the front office or music room.

Grade 5/6- Mr. Siebenga

In **Bible** we prepare for our last Test in Grade 5/6 on the Expansion of Jesus' Ministry. Review questions today, test tomorrow.

In **math**, Grade 5, and 6 write quizzes this morning, with their last test also being tomorrow. Grade 6 - patterns and algebra, Grade 5 decimals. Each grade has 4 units remaining in their workbook. If you are looking for some extra practice during some drives this summer, or just some casual mathematical downtime, there are some great activities there!

Half the students have finished their test, and presentations on Despereaux. The other half are up today. The movie comparison will be **Wednesday and Friday**.

Our **media** endeavour has come to a precipice. I hope to salvage the campaign on Tuesday. We will film the rants at that time. For most groups this is the last component to their campaign templates.

In Physical, Social, and Emotional Education (**PSPE**), the District meet is on Thursday. There is no school for those not going. In PE time, we finish the year off with Frolf/Ultimate Frisbee!
For **spelling**, their sorts are up in the G. Classroom.

The Field Trip is on Friday. If for whatever reason you still need to hand in the permission form for Between the Lines, please do so.

In **art**, the students will wrap up and Fair art that they have yet to accomplish.

Memory Work: Mark 2:27-28 27 Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. 28 So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

Grade 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen

Science 7/8: Pure Substances & Mixtures:

Tuesday we will cover some outstanding topics and students will write the **unit test**. Our final double-block class will be next Tuesday, June 20, during which we will engage in some [science-based] activities - 2 of which relate directly to our current 7/8 unit of study -- with Mrs. Dykstra and her Grade 1 students. Our final class is on Thursday, June 22.

Grade 7/8- Mrs. Vogel

Wow, it is hard to believe it is already the last full week the grade 8's will be with us! That said, we are still moving through material and assignments. Thank you for your continued support to remain on top of work and assignments as we move closer and closer to the end of the school year and the excitement of graduation for grade 8.

W.W.W.: Students will be given their final sort for the year tomorrow (Tuesday). There will be a quiz on the words this Friday (June 16). The sort work and the test will be due on June 21.

Writing: We are continuing to work through using our writing skills in other classes and making sure that the concepts we have learned through the year are applied in writing in other subject areas.

Guided Reading: Students have received a schedule of reading and assignments in order to be able to finish the book by the end of the school year. Today, chapters 13-15 were due. Chapters 16-18 are due on Wednesday, June 14

Bible: We are continuing to look at the persecution of Christians by the Jews and Romans in the early church.

Geography: We are continuing to learn about how quality of life also affects many other aspects of a person's/nation's economy and ability to live out their life to it's fullest possibilities.

Healthy Living: We are going to be enjoying some sports and games chosen by the students this week in phys. ed. Students are still expected to wear their gym clothes and appropriate footwear to participate in class. We will also have one last health class in which boys and girls will be split from grades 5-8 to finish off our Sexual Health unit.

French: We are working through our last grammar unit. Worksheets will be due the day after they were started in class.

Art: Students are expected to finish a minimum of one writing and one visual art piece for the Listowel Fair. We will be working on finishing those this week.

Grade 7/8 Math- Mr. Boelens

The Grade 7 students will play around with experiential and theoretic probability. Their mid unit review is due on Wednesday. Grade 8 will continue their algebra unit, focusing on solving equations. Daily work will continue to be assigned.