

October 30, 2023

We are excited about the upcoming Parent Teacher conferences. During these conferences, we will spend time discussing each of your children, their academic progress, their social integration, their personal growth, their gifts, and their challenges. What a great opportunity to deepen our partnership. Each conference is only fifteen minutes long. Imagine accomplishing all we want to within a fifteen-minute time slot. Here a couple of suggestions to make the best of the time:

- Arrange for daycare for your children. To make the best of the time, the fewer distractions the better. Also, sometimes there are topics that just adults should be talking about and if the students or their siblings are present, that makes it uncomfortable or difficult.
- Be prepared. Think ahead about what you would like to discuss. Is there a specific area you would like some insight about? Is there some recent information and/or strategies you would like to share?
- Honour your time slot. Bells should be ringing to indicate conference transitions. Please be on time. If your time is up and there are still significant things to discuss, feel free to arrange another time to continue the discussion.

I want to thank you all for participating in the new signup format. This method allowed the parents to pick a time that worked for you instead of us assigning you a time that, potentially, you might not be able to make. I hope it was as effective for you as it has been for us.

Lastly, there are a few parents who have not secured a spot. If you are one of them, please sign up this week yet. If the time slots don't work for you, please send Michelle an email so maybe we can make alternate arrangements.

November Events

2- Assembly at 9:30 lead by Gr.7/8
 2- Parent Teacher Conferences (ev)
 3- Parent Teacher Conferences (day) No School
 6- Gr. 7/8 Woodland Presentation
 7-Volleyball Clinic at Woodland
 9- Delicia Miller : new book presentation



Nov 1	Nov 2
Melanie D	Jerry G
Nov 3	
Jaxson T	
Nov 4	Nov 4
Gabriel H	Eli S

November Events

10- Remembrance Day Assembly
 17- PA Day-No School
 20-Fall Membership Meeting
 23- Calling All 3-Year Olds
 25- LCS Bazaar
 27- First Term Report Cards
 28- Volleyball Tournament



Bazaar News:

Saturday November 25th 10am-2pm



Craft Items Needed: The craft area of our bazaar is very popular as we try to offer a wide array of crafts. We are always looking for new ideas. Do you or someone you know enjoy sewing, knitting, making jewelry, painting, woodworking, etc., please consider making a donation. Feel free to contact Angie Koersen at 519-292-0878 or email angie.koersen@gmail.com

Toy Store Items Needed: In the GAMES area at the Bazaar, children (and adults) collect coupons when they play the games. These coupons are then traded in for toys from the "Toy Store". The "Toy Store" needs new and used toy donations. Please remember that used toys MUST BE CLEAN and in EXCELLENT condition. Please contact Alana Greidanus if you have any questions at ragreidanus@gmail.com

Baking: The baking section of the bazaar is looking for homemade baked goods to sell. If you are crafty in the kitchen then this is your place to donate! Donations of cookies, muffins, cupcakes, bread, canned goods and any other delicious treats you desire to create would be appreciated. Please consider packaging your baked goods in a manner that provides easy transport for the purchaser. New this year the bazaar baking crew will be selling an assortment of Christmas cookies on glass plates. These would make a great take along gift or simply a nice treat to enjoy at home. Come and check them out! Please have all baking to the school on Friday the 24th of November.

Surprise Jars: Fill a jar of your choice with fun items that a child would like to win. We would like one jar (more if you wish) donated per student so that we have lots for everyone. No need to spend a lot, just be creative and have fun. This has always been a big hit with the children who attend the bazaar, so thank you! Each jar will be \$5.

Volunteer Sign Up: <https://signup.com/go/rmqcjke>

Donation Sign Up: <https://signup.com/go/XHxJwNY>

Junior Kindergarten- Mrs. Baarda

This week we will wrap up our fall theme and we will begin a new theme for November about transportation and explore different ways we can travel. Since we had such a short week last week our mystery letter will be the same as last week, letter Ii.

In **Bible**, we will be reading and learning about Joseph this week and about the special coat Jacob gave him and how Joseph ended up in Egypt. We have a new memory verse for November, Deuteronomy 6:5 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." We will be singing a new song this month as well, "The B-I-B-L-E".

In **math**, we will be counting down from 10 and will begin to practice printing numbers 1-5. Our new focus shape is the circle, our focus colour is yellow, and our focus number is 3.

In **health**, we will discuss two more emotions and talk about when we are afraid and sad.

Thursday afternoon and evening we will have parent teacher conferences. I look forward to meeting with each of you and chatting about your son or daughter and how things are going so far this year at school. If you haven't signed up yet, please do so, there are lots of spots still available. If that day doesn't work for you, please contact me and we can set up an alternate time.

Senior Kindergarten- Mrs. Heida

What a fantastic convention! It was great to learn some new ideas and connect with those who teach SK! Such a blessing!

This week we will be looking at the letter Ff by the sound it makes, how to print it, listening for it at the beginning and ending of words. We will also be introduced to the high frequency word "a".

In **math**, we will focus on the concept of less than by matching objects and using the number line 1 to 5. A quick game to play at home is to tell your child two numbers and ask which one is more or less.

In **Bible**, we will begin a unit on the story of Abraham who was told to move to another land while not even knowing where he was going. What faith Abraham had in God to lead Him safely. Ask your child on Thursday where we went?

For printing this week, we are going to review the letters F, P, S, M, A and T.

We will wrap up our Fall unit on Monday and move onto Pete the Cat. We will have a fun and crazy time reading his stories and creating Pete the Cat way!

The November calendar has been sent home electronically and a paper copy for those who have requested one.

NO school on Friday due to Parent/Teacher conferences. **I ask that you do NOT bring your child to the conference Thursday or Friday.** Thank you.

There is a theme assembly this Thursday November 2nd, 2023, led by Grade 7 and 8

SK and Grade 1 will be hosting the Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday November 10, 2023 at 9:30 am. All are welcome to attend.

Have a great week!

Grade 1 - Ms. Denhartog

Bible: Memory work Psalm 105:1-2 will be said to me Thursday November 2. We will also be looking at the story of Joseph this week.

Math: This week we are continuing on with looking at how many more or how many less. We will be working with numbers up to 20.

Language: This week we are looking at words that say the short e sound. We will also be reviewing all the short vowel sounds of a, i, o, u and e.

Creation Studies: Last week we will start our new unit One Body, Many Parts: Our Home and School Communities. We talked about our bodies and how each body part has an important role to play, just like the roles in our own families. We discussed what a family is and what makes them special. The Grade Ones came up with awesome ideas and thoughts on what a family is. This week we will start looking at family trees. We have lots of books this week to read about families and we will start to talk about a project about our own family tree. More information will be sent home this week about what that project will look like.

Show and Tell THURSDAY November 2: Isaac, Faith, Benjamin, Kyla, Esmae *This month our theme is to bring in something you are thankful for or something that an explorer might use!*

Announcements

Upcoming Pizza Day

Wed. Nov 1st- New Orleans Pizza

Wed. Nov 15th- New Orleans

Picture Day Ordering

Picture day was a success!

Over the next couple weeks, the photography company will send us proofs (that we will send home in the kidmail) that will have a link and code to order photos online.

Photo retakes and group class photos are scheduled for Thursday November 30th.

Auctria Training

Auctria is the online software we use to check out accounts at the bazaar, and the program we use to run our auction. We are always looking for more help to run this program at both of these events. If you are interested in learning how to use it, please come out on Thursday Nov 9th from 7:15-8:30 for an introduction. For more information contact Tanya Slotegraaf or Teresa Rastorfer



Grade 2- Mrs. Grundlingh

I can't believe this is the end of October already. Thank you for signing up for our P-T conferences. I look forward to meet with you this week. My apologies for those conferences that I will be missing. I work as administrator in our church office on Thursdays and Fridays from 9am - 4pm. I will reach out to you in an email if I will not be able to join Mrs. Kuipers to meet with you.

Here is an outline of the work we will be doing this week:

Math - Number sense: We continue our unit on addition and subtraction with numbers up to 100 with specific focus on ordering numbers to 100.

Phonics, spelling and reading: this week we are looking at exceptions to the silent e rule as well as reading and spelling words ending with -es. Please see the homework practice sheet and decodable text going home this week to help the students practice these phonic skills (they will go home on Thursday/Friday every week).

Creation studies - Social science: This week our focus is on creating our own maps.

Bible: This week we are looking at how God's people return and await the Messiah.

Library: We have library tomorrow. They are allowed to borrow 2 library books at a time. If they return their books tomorrow, they can either renew it or get 2 new books. Please encourage them to develop the habit of bringing their books to school every Tuesday, even if they would just like to renew it.

Grade 2- Mrs. Kuipers

I look forward to meeting with you all on Thursday night (and Friday morning). Please come with any feedback or questions you may have. Time slots are short and we are fully booked all night, so punctuality is key! If you are available, we would love to see you earlier in the day at our assembly.

Math - Grade 2 is learning about non standard measurements. Students will be encouraged to compare length and heights of various items and will explore how to select appropriate units and utilize them effectively to measure. Encourage students to explore measuring and comparing toys, tables, and other items at home.

Science - a review came home on Wednesday for an end of unit assessment on Reptiles, Amphibians, and Fish. Please spend a few minutes each night going over the information with your child to prepare for their assessment and look through their duotang work to explore their learning this far. The test will be on Thursday. If you did not receive a review or have misplaced it, please email me and I can send a digital copy. Return all green duotangs back to school on Thursday as well.

Grade 3- Mrs. Claus

Wow! What an amazing time I had at the Edvance Teacher's Conference. It was so good to hear from other schools, teachers, and leaders. I learned about new things going on in education that I'd like to implement in Grade 3. Thank you for this opportunity.

Bible: We had our Bible test. We are now moving on to the next unit, In the Beginning.

Math: We have finished our unit on patterns and are starting our unit on Number Sense today.

Creation Studies: We have started a book on a family that moved from New York to Canada as pioneers.

Language: This week is the beginning of splitting the class to reach the students where they are. The Red group will continue with vowel review and add on digraphs with double letters (ff, ll, ss, zz) The Blue group will start with an assessment to discover their strengths and weaknesses. We will proceed from there.

A friendly reminder to sign up for Parent- Teacher interviews if you haven't already done so. I look forward to seeing you!

Announcements

Volleyball

Girls Volleyball

Practices this week are after school on Wednesday until 4:15, first break on Thursday, and lunch scrimmage on Friday. Plan to be at all. Next week we will be attending the Woodland volleyball workshop.

More details to come.

Mrs. Kuipers

Boys Volleyball

Our after school practices are on Tuesdays until 4:30. Please provide permission notes to stay. Lunch practices are on Thursdays.

Mr. Boelens

Musical News

We are starting to work on our musical "Back to the Manger" in music class. We are sending home the lyrics of the songs for students in Gr 1-8. Please keep these in a safe place so they can be reviewed frequently. The words to these songs need to be memorized by the end of November.



Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

I Know It - "Length Conversions" - due THURSDAY. To get online to find the assignment, go to iknowit.com and sign in as a student. The username is their first and last name (no spaces, no capitals) and the class code and password is lcs12345.

Memory Work - due NEXT FRIDAY - Matthew 5:7,8 - "Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

Bible - We will be having a quiz on King David on THURSDAY this week. Smartboard notes will be sent home the night before to help students study for the quiz.

Spelling Dictation - Dictation will be THURSDAY. Students should know what team they are on. The teams are listed below and are also on spellingcity.com/tdelleman if students would like to practice their words online. Students will need to know all their spelling words, but only 10 are chosen for dictation.

Spelling Lizards - cube, food, fruit, crust, bloom, smooth, suit, from, dude, skunk, broom, mood, bump, juice, trust, build, moon, flute, spoon, tooth

Spelling Rockets - saw, cause, cross, caught, paws, straw, fault, law, claw, sauce, taught, draw, laugh, haul, pause, song, frost, hawk, crawl, dawn, lawn, vault, shawl, cloth

Spelling Scooters - write, writing, dream, dreaming, close, moan, wave, using, eating, looking, eat, skate, closing, trading, cleaning, clean, use, moaning, trade, skating, waving, look, mail, mailing

Grade 4/5/6 French (Madame Van Kampen):

This week we will continue learning about the verb FAIRE (=to do or to make). More specifically, students will begin a project of creating a poster (Gr. 4) or booklet (Gr. 5 & 6) with sentences and images using this verb.

Again, please encourage and/or help your son/daughter in committing this verb to memory as it will be used throughout their French 'career'. Grade 4 is expected to learn, minimally, the left column; Grades 5 & 6, all.

je fais = I do / I make

tu fais = you do / you make

il fait = he does / he makes

elle fait = she does / she makes

nous faisons = we do / we make

vous faites = you do / you make

ils font = they do / they make

elles font = they do / they make

Grade 5/6- Mr. Boelens

Math: We continue to learn more about multi-digit addition and subtraction.

Gym: Each class we practice a different skill. This week we will practice sets and play a little game.

Grade 5/6- Mrs. O'Boyle

Bible - We will continue our unit, "The Setting of God". This week we will learn about the setting and chronological order of salvation history.

Our **memory work** is: The Books of the Bible and will be due on Nov. 2nd.

Language - We will look at adjectives in grammar, as well as adding proper punctuation marks for dialogue. We will look at including details that support the main idea in our written work. We all also explore developing our character, setting and plot ideas. We will look at descriptive details and how they give reasons to support the main idea to help us with our reading comprehension. Our words of the week are: tendency, persistent and extricate. Challenge your child to use these words at least once in a sentence this week.

Spelling - Please watch for new lists coming home in your child's agenda later this week.

Social Studies - We will continue our unit - "Why is there French on my cereal box?" We will continue to learn about the culture of New France and of our classroom and explore faith/religion as a determining aspect of culture. We will also explore how the Bible is central to the culture of the Christian school and classroom.

Science - We will continue our unit - "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" where we will be looking at human organ systems. This week we will continue to look at what physical fitness is and how we know if we are fit and what we can do to be fit. We will also look at how food and oxygen move to cells, and how carbon dioxide and waste leave the body. We will also explore cellular metabolism and how materials move in and out of a cell.

Art - We will look at shape, form, and colour and will work on taking a 2-D image and making it 3-D. We will be working on a partner project with the grade one and two classes for this week's assignment where the Grade 5/6 students will use the Grade 1/2 2-D drawings as blueprints to create 3-D representations of their dream homes. Students will have to work to understand the original artist's vision, and will also have the opportunity to add their own creative ideas to the project.

Health - We will continue our Healthy Eating unit. Please remember to complete your grocery store scavenger hunt, which is due Mon. Nov. 6th.

Grade 5/6- Mrs. O'Boyle

Cursive Snack - Please see the note and schedule included in your child's kid mail today and mark your child's date on your calendar. I will try to provide weekly reminders for this as well.

Book in a Box - Please see the note included in your child's kid mail today about this project. Students will be encouraged to pick a book during library this week if they do not have one picked prior to Wednesday. Students are encouraged to pick good-fit books that they are able to read independently.

Activity Log - Please look for a new science weekly activity log that is being sent home in your child's kid mail today. These are due Tues. Nov. 7th.

Feedback Form - Please complete the feedback form included in your child's kid mail and return at your earliest convenience. I will have a box out for them at parent-teacher interviews.

Stethoscope - Does anyone have a stethoscope they would be willing to bring in or lend us for a day?

Parent-Teacher Interviews - I am looking forward to meeting with each one of you to discuss your marvellous children. If you have any topics, questions or concerns that you would like to discuss in particular please feel free to send me an email ahead of interviews.

Grade 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

We will continue with our topic on Human Impact on Water Consumption looking more specifically with issues surrounding Nestle and its bottled water industry. Time permitting we will then proceed to the topic of *Human Impact on Water Systems* including the case for exporting Canada's water and potential sources of water pollution from agriculture.

Grade 7/8 Math- Mr. Boelens

This week we will finish up our second unit. Review work will be due on Wednesday. Our final test will be on Wednesday November 8.

Grade 7/8- Mrs. Vogel

Welcome back to another short week. This time it will be a bit longer than last week and I'm looking forward to meeting with you this week Thursday evening or Friday morning for Parent Teacher Conferences. Thank you all for the gift and card signed by all the students for my birthday last week. I really appreciate the thought and love teaching this class.

Bible: Bible test on the Themes of the Old Testament today! Moving into our next unit tomorrow.

Devotions this week: Tuesday - Reid and Bentley, Wednesday - Cameron, Thursday, Ryder and Alyssa.

Writing: We began our plagiarism unit last week and students will be learning and exploring different ways to avoid plagiarism and why it is so important. We learned last week that you can actually plagiarize yourself!

Guided Reading: We have a unit review page we will complete in class this week and will be starting our class novel study "The Hobbit" this week.

W.W.W.: Students received new sorts today. We will have a quiz on the new sorts on Monday, November 6.

History: We wrote our New France mid-unit test this week and will be looking at British North America for the remainder of the unit.

Healthy Living: Volleyball is in full swing. A reminder to make sure each students has their own change of clothes, a school gym shirt is required. If you do not have one yet, please let me know.

Music: We will start learning the songs for the musical this week as well as continuing on through our method book. We are focusing on making sure we know the notes and what the correct combination of buttons or valves is to make each note.

French: We begin our unit on hockey this week.

Art: We will be working with our mannequins and sketching out different action motions using our mannequins as the models.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me by phone at school or by email.