

November 6, 2023

Thank you to all the parents who participated in the Parent Teacher conferences. As I touched base with a few teachers already, they were excited about the conversations with you, and they look forward to continued partnership throughout the year. We are blessed by working with wonderful children and parents who desire the best for them. It is an amazing task to “educate children while nurturing their faith in Christ” but it is doable when we work together. Thanks for your encouragement!

Our Marketing Committee is reviewing some strategic plan items, including the content on the school’s website. As we update it, we would love to include more parent testimonials. Potential parents love to hear from current parents about their experiences at LCS and what they appreciate about the school. Testimonials can be written from a variety of perspectives. Maybe there is something about LCS that has encouraged your child in the area of academics. Maybe there were teachers in your child’s life that supported them in their development. Maybe you and/or your children were blessed by being within a Christian community. Maybe athletics, assemblies, team events, or musical performances were highlights for your children that made school a joy. You may even take a different approach as you reflect on the impact LCS has had on your family.

We welcome your testimonials. It doesn’t have to be long, just a few words (or a short video clip) of appreciation and encouragement. If you can please email your submission to [marketing-chair@listowelchristianschool.ca](mailto:marketing-chair@listowelchristianschool.ca), we will review them as we make our updates. Thanks in advance.

## November Events

7- Volleyball Clinic at Woodland  
9- Delicia Miller : new book presentation  
10- Remembrance Day Assembly at 9:30am  
17- PA Day- No School



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## November Events

20- Fall Membership Meeting  
23- Calling All 3-Year Olds  
25- LCS Bazaar  
27- First Term Report Cards  
28- Volleyball Tournament  
30- Photo Retake Day + Class Photos



## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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

I want to thank you all for coming out to meet with me this past Thursday. It was great to have a chance to talk with each of you about your child and celebrate their learning so far this year.

We will be looking at different ways to get from one place to another this week and do a sort of vehicles that travel by land, air, or water. We will also be making vehicles using different shapes.

In **language**, we will have a new mystery letter this week! We will continue to practice rhyming, word blending and segmenting, and initial sounds.

In **math**, we will be learning to print numbers 6-10, and we will have a lesson on position words.

In **Bible**, we will read more about Moses and about the Exodus and the 10 Commandments

Tuesday is **library day**, please remember to send in last week's books so students may bring home their new choice.

**Please bring a stuffy for Thursday, November 9th.** Delicia Miller will be coming in to read her new book and will be doing an activity with the students that they will need a stuffed animal.

## Senior Kindergarten- Mrs. Heida

Thank you to all the parents for coming to share conversation about your child. I loved meeting all of you. Thank you for all the words of encouragement. Your children are a blessing to me.

This week in SK, we will be preparing for the Remembrance Day assembly. The assembly will happen at 9:30 on Friday morning. Please come and hear what we learned about the poppy.

We will focus on the short vowel sound of letter **i**, like in the word "itch". We will continue to review letter names and sounds. This week we will read our first sentences. In time, these sentences will come home for further practice.

This week, we will read "Pete the Cat and My Four Groovy Buttons", and be prepared for the next fun song. On Tuesday, we will be creating my "Cool Cat Coat" with graham crackers, yellow icing, and smarties. I will post pictures in an email.

In **math**, we will wrap up our unit of more, less, and equal too.

In **Bible**, we will learn about Abraham's obedience to God and God's promise to Abraham. Our memory work is "I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go." Genesis 8:22

In **Handwriting Without Tears**, we will be printing letter **Z** and reviewing the letters that begin in the starting corner.

We will continue learning about emotions by sorting pictures under the appropriate emotion heading, playing emoji to match it, and beginning a journal called My Feelings and Me.

## Grade 1 - Ms. Denhartog

Thank you for taking the time this past Thursday evening or Friday morning discussing your child's progress.

The Grade Ones will be a part of our Remembrance Day assembly that is taking place on Friday November 10. We have been talking about peace and what peace means to us. The students have created artwork that they will be sharing with the school that day.

**Bible:** Memory work for the month of November will be Colossians 3:12. "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience". We will practice this verse at school, but also please take the time to help your child review it at home too.

**Math:** This week, we are ordering and comparing numbers from 1-20.

**Language:** This week, we are looking at the spelling rule for F, L, S and Z. We will also keep working on our Handwriting without tears book.

**Creation studies:** Reminder: Family tree projects are due Tuesday November 14! This week, we will be continuing to look at different kinds of families as well as the parts in our family.

**French:** We will finish up with a few more colours and then move on to learn the days of the week.

**Show and Tell Friday November 10: Boston, Jazlyn, Melanie, Caleb** \*This month our theme is to bring in either something that is special to you and your family or an item that begins with the same letter as your name!\*

**Thursday November 9-** Delicia Miller is coming to share her new story with us. The Grade Ones need to bring a stuffed animal that they use to learn how to bandage an animal.

Have a great week!

# Announcements

## Upcoming Pizza Day

Wed. Nov 15th- New Orleans  
Wed. Nov 29th- Dominos Pizza

## 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



## Volleyball

### Girls Volleyball

Our clinic at Woodland is on Tuesday. Be sure to have carefully read the email from Mr. Boelens from last week for ride arrangements. Punctuality is VERY important. There will be NO practice after school on Wednesday. Practices will be Thursday and Friday at lunch recess.

### Boys Volleyball

No afterschool practice this week for the boys. Lunch practices with the girls team on Friday.

Mr. Boelens

## Grade 2- Mrs. Grundlingh

I enjoyed connecting with you, alongside Mrs. Kuipers, at the parent teacher conferences last week. Thank you for taking the time with your busy schedules to come and meet with us. Here is an outline of the work we will be doing this week:

**Math** - Number sense: We continue our unit on numbers up to 100.

**Phonics, spelling and reading:** This week, we are looking at reading and spelling words ending with -ed and -ing. Please see the homework practice sheet going home today to help the students practice these phonic skills.

**Creation studies** - Social science: This week, we will start our unit on Our local community.

**Bible:** This week we start our new unit on Intertestamentary times. Our new Bible verse for this month is:

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.” Proverbs 3:5-6

**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

It was really great to see you all last week for parent conferences. Thank you for taking the time to come out and for all of the commitment you have towards your children's education. Together, we can help our children thrive.

\*Special note that I will be away on Wednesday and Mrs. Koersen will be teaching.

**Science-** Please return all green folders! Today a pink information page will come home with a list of supplies everyone needs for experiments for the new unit. Send these in asap please. We are starting to explore how God created us and our world to move. **Thursday** students will be presenting their final projects from last unit to the grade 1 class. Please make all effort to not be absent.

**Math** - We continue to explore measurements such as length, width, and height.

**French** - We continue to explore colours and numbers.

**Health** - We are wrapping up our unit of healthy eating. At dinner, you could encourage your child to name the food and which of the three food groups it belongs to. You can discuss if the snacks are healthy choices or what can be added or taken away to make it healthier.

## Grade 3- Mrs. Claus

It was so good to have an opportunity to touch base with you last week. I always appreciate this community and your willingness to work as a team for the betterment of your child. Teaching is my passion, and I love my students so much. I look forward to continuing this journey with you.

**Bible:** We have started our unit on Creation!

**Memory Work:** We are down to the final 15 books of the Bible for memorization starting at 1&2 Thessalonians. It will be due on Friday. We work on it every morning in class.

**Math:** We are doing great with our place value and are starting expanded form today.

**Language:** Red group is studying the -all, -oll, -ull endings and reviewing digraphs (ck, sh, th, ch). Expect to see some practice work to do at home.

Green group is working on less common long-vowel patterns- Long o (oe, o\_e, oa, ow).

Blue group is working on the double o sounds (ōō like moon, and oö like foot).

**Creation Studies:** We are starting to understand why people moved to Canada from America to settle the land.

## Grade 4 and 5 - Mrs. Delleman

**I Know It** - "Telling Time to the Nearest Minute" - due FRIDAY. To get online to find the assignment, go to [iknowit.com](http://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 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."

**Spelling Dictation** - Dictation will be NEXT FRIDAY. Students should know what team they are on. The teams are listed below and are also on [spellingcity.com/tdelleman](http://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* - next, seem, eat, green, team, been, sleep, web, speak, clean, keep, sweep, teeth, heat, week, weak, less, set, leaf, teach, feet

*Spelling Rockets* - watch, small, thought, walk, salt, wash, though, calm, bought, wand, talk, stalk, bald, wasp, fought, swap, chalk, stall, ought, swat, brought, cough, half, halt

*Spelling Scooters* - setting, hiking, reading, floating, cutting, moving, stopping, living, spelling, coming, begging, growling, grinning, having, cheering, jogging, sharing, talking, pushing, humming, working, fixing, going, snowing

**Creation Studies** - We have been studying different light characteristics in a Light and Sound unit. Before moving on to talking about sound, students will have a small quiz on the different light characteristics on THURSDAY. There are 7 characteristics and some important terms they will need to know. Smartboard notes on the characteristics and terms will be sent home on Wednesday.

**Remembrance Day Contest** - We are entering into a poster contest with the Legion. Students are working on their posters during Art class, but they need to fill out a contest form and return it by FRIDAY. Please fill in the B section of the form and a parent signature is needed in the E section. Everything else has been filled out.

## Grade 4/5/6 French -Madame Van Kampen:

So, last week while we continued learning about the verb FAIRE (=to do or to make) I felt that we should wait until this week to begin the project of creating a poster (Gr. 4) or booklet (Gr. 5 & 6) with sentences and images using this verb.

The expectation holds that your son/daughter commits this verb to memory for long-range use with Grade 4 knowing the left column; Grades 5 & 6, both columns.

<b>je fais</b> = I do / I make	<b>nous faisons</b> = we do / we make
<b>tu fais</b> = you do / you make	<b>vous faites</b> = you do / you make
<b>il fait</b> = he does / he makes	<b>ils font</b> = they do / they make
<b>elle fait</b> = she does / she makes	<b>elles font</b> = they do / they make

## Grade 5/6- Mr. Boelens

**Math:** Grade 5 will continue to learn more about multi-digit addition and subtraction with borrowing. Grade 6 will investigate rounding and estimating. Daily work is assigned.

**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 finish up our unit, "The Setting of God". In this unit, we will introduce key places and events in Bible history, analyze the organization of the books of the Bible, and discuss biblical languages. We will also study maps and timelines and will learn about the setting and chronological order of salvation history. Please watch for a study guide coming home the end of the week. This is to be completed at home this weekend.

Our **memory work** is: "But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.' Samuel 16:7" Due Nov. 21st.

**Language** - We will continue to look at adjectives. We will look at including details that support the main idea in our written work. We will look at description to help us with our reading comprehension. When an author writes a text with a description structure, the author uses descriptive details, examples, and reasons to support the main idea.

Our words of the week are: persistent, extricate, frontier and flaunt

### **Spelling** -

**The Lightning Bolts:** Fruit, Smooth, Dude, Mood, Trust, Flute, Cube, Crust, Suit, Skunk, Bump, Build, Spoon, Food, Bloom, From, Broom, Juice, Moon, Tooth

**The Froggies:** Screen, Strange, Sprain, Stress, Sprout, Stripe, Scratch, Stretch, Strong, Spray, Strap, Scream, Scrape, Struck Stream, Strength, Spring, Scram, Strict, Scrap, String, Spread, Scrub, Straight

**The Secret Spellers:** Foresee, Infield, Forearm, Inactive, Forecast, Insane, Insight, Nonfat, Nonsense, Nonprofit, Nonfiction Forehead, Nonstick, Foremost, Income, Insincere, Incomplete, Incorrect, Foretell, Indecent, Foreshadow, Nonstop, Nonviolent, Indoor

We will have our spelling dictation on **Thurs. Nov. 16th.**

**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 my classroom and explore faith/religion as a determining aspect of culture.

**Science** - We will continue our unit - "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" where we will be looking at human organ systems. We will also look at how food and oxygen move to cells, and how carbon dioxide and waste leave the body. Finally, we will look at cellular metabolism and how materials move in and out of a cell.

**Art** - We will look at shape and form and will work on taking a 2-D image and making it 3-D. Please remind your child to think about their design and bring in any recyclables they may need.

**Health** - We will continue our Healthy Eating unit. We will be looking specifically at how to read nutritional labels this week.

**Recyclables** - We are still looking for a variety of sizes and shapes of cardboard boxes and recyclables for our art project. Please send in any clean packaging that you can. Ex. Granola bar boxes, toy packaging, cracker boxes, empty cans etc.

**Grocery Shopping Scavenger Hunt** - If you did not complete this please send it back as soon as possible.

**Cursive Snack** - Savannah D. is on for our cursive snack and teaching Aa - Tues. Nov. 7th, Nadine is on for Nov. 14th.

**Book in the Box** - Please encourage your child to continue to read their story for book in the box.

**Teaching Video** - Please video your child explaining how to read a nutritional label in a brief (less than two min.) informal video and email it to [b.oboyle@listowelchristianschool.ca](mailto:b.oboyle@listowelchristianschool.ca) We will use this as an understanding check. If you do not have access to a camera please let me know and I will have your child do it in person at school. Thanks!

## Grade 7/8 Science- Ms. VanKampen:

### **Water Systems:**

As our unit draws to a close, we have yet to learn about the potential sources of water pollution from American-based industrial agriculture. Next week, we will be looking at the Water Technology Innovations of desalination and bioremediation.

### Grade 7/8 Math- Mr. Boelens

Review work will be due on Wednesday. Our unit test will be on Wednesday. Our next unit is on fractions. Daily work continues to be assigned.

### Grade 7/8- Mrs. Vogel

Thank you grade 7/8 for a fantastic assembly this past Thursday! You did a great job leading the school in learning our 2nd beatitude.

We are able to welcome Woodland into our class today to talk about the high school and some of the differences between grade school and high school. Also learning how to understand course codes and choosing courses.

To all the volleyball players, I pray you have a great time tomorrow at Woodland and do your best at the Volleyball Clinic there. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the school by phone or email at [j.vogel@listowelchristianschool.ca](mailto:j.vogel@listowelchristianschool.ca).

**Bible:** We have begun a unit looking at the Feasts of the Old Testament starting with Passover. All students have completed their devotions requirement for this term and may continue to sign up to lead the class in devotions if they would like. We will start the whole routine again next term.

**Writing:** We continue to learn about plagiarism and how to avoid it.

**Guided Reading:** We started our class novel "The Hobbit" today. Our week last week ended up being very busy so we ran out of time to start it then. I'm looking forward to exploring this novel with the class!

**W.W.W.:** We started our 3rd sort last week. Test on the words and unit work due on Friday.

**History:** We are continuing our learning about early Canadian history now focusing on British North America.

**Healthy Living:** Health - Well done in finishing our last unit. Look for tests to come home at the end of this week. Phys. Ed. - we are continuing to learn and practice volleyball skills. Please encourage your student(s) to shower regularly, bring their gym clothes for both gym classes and sports practices, and wear deodorant. Thank you.

**Music:** We are working on learning the songs for the Christmas musical as well as continuing to learn songs together as a band. Sectionals continue this week.

**French:** Students were introduced to a number of words they will be learning, reading, and using throughout this unit on hockey. We will continue to learn how to talk about hockey and remembering the grammar we used in the last unit in our writing this unit.