

From the Principal's Desk

There is a lot of learning and good things that happen outside the four walls of the classroom. As much as we prepare to teach our curriculum and plan engaging lessons, we also provide opportunities for students to grow and understand that learning is life long and learning happens everywhere and all the time.

Last Friday we had our track and field events. As an observer, I watched students compete using their gifts, but I also saw and heard students encouraging others and celebrating the gifts and victories of others. In fact, as I timed dashes, there was one student racing and speaking words of encouragement to her competitor at the same time. I saw students celebrating their peers jumping high, jumping far, and running fast. I appreciated that students understood that we are all created uniquely, and we will all excel at different parts of school. This learning is a life skill that will benefit them all life long.

Today, the Grade 7-8 class is off to Ottawa for their year-end field trip. It is our hope that not only will we see a different part of God's creation, but that we will also learn to live cooperatively for the four full days we are together. We pray that this out-of-classroom experience will encourage us to grow in our understanding and relationships with each other.

Thursday, our JK and SK students will go to the Library. We are thankful for these community resources available to us, and we hope our students will learn to access the library for years to come. Next week, our Grade 1 students will visit their pen pals in Royal Terrance in Palmerston. What a great opportunity to make connections with people they have written to and now build on those relationships.

As we invest in our regular day-to-day teaching and curriculum, we also cherish the opportunities that field trips provide to enrich our students' learning. We are also thankful to our parents who trust us enough to take these their children on the trips.

Calendar of Events

May

- 27 - 30** Gr 7/8 Ottawa Trip
- 30 -** JK Field Trip to North Perth Library and Listowel Park
- 31 -** Assembly led by SK & Grade 1 at 9:30 am - please join us

June

- 3 -** District Track & Field Day - Brantford
- 3 -** REGULAR SCHOOL DAY FOR THOSE NOT ATTENDING DISTRICT
- 5 -** Pizza Day - Domino's
- 6 -** Spring Piano Recital - Bethel CRC 7pm - Mrs. Wright & Mrs. Vogel's Piano Students
- 7 -** PA Day - NO SCHOOL
- 8 -** LCS Golf Tournament - Pike Lake Golf Course, Minto
- 11 -** Baseball Tournament - Kitchener
- 14 -** SK & Gr 1 Field Trip to Mapleton Organics
- 17 -** SK Graduation at 2:30pm
Everyone is welcome to join
- 19 -** Grade 8 Graduation
- 21 -** Last Day of School -
Early dismissal at 2pm

Birthday Celebrations

Happy Birthday celebrations this week go to



ANNOUNCEMENTS



District Track and Field Day

Monday June 3 is the date for our District Track and Field Day. This year, we will hold a regular school day on June 3 for those who do not qualify for events at District.

Since most of our teachers are now staying at school on District day, we will need more volunteers. We are looking for 3 volunteers to help at the jumping pits and two volunteers to lead student groups to events.

Please notify Amanda in the office if you can help out.

Baseball

With the Grade 7 & 8 students away for their Ottawa Trip, we will have practice for the Grade 5 & 6 students (**both boys and girls**) on Tuesday after school this week. Please let the office know if your child has permission to stay for practice.

TRACK & FIELD TEAM PRACTICE

A email will be sent home today for those students who have qualified for District.

There will be an after school practice on Wednesday until 4:15. Please let the office know if your child wishes to stay to practice the events they will be participating in at District.

SAVE THE DATE LCS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Saturday, September 7th, 2024

3pm - Coffee Social Time
4pm - Program
4:45pm - Games for Everyone
5:30pm - Supper Food Trucks
6:30pm - Make your own Sundae
Dessert
8:00pm - Sparklers & Singing
*Praise God from Whom all
Blessings Flow*



Golf Tournament

The LCS Golf Tournament is being held on

**June 8th at 1pm
at
Pike Lake Golf Course**

If you'd like to register to play golf or you'd like to sign up your team of 4 golfers, please email Brooklyn Thomas at fundraising@listowelchristianschool.ca



Classroom News

Kindergarten

Junior Kindergarten - Mrs. Baarda

This week Tuesday it will be Blue Day. Students can wear something **blue**.

This week we will be reviewing letters **Q-T** and the sounds that they make.

In our **Kick Start Kindergarten** workbook we will be printing lowercase letters **w** and **t**.

In **math** we will continue to review some concepts we have learned this year and we will practice printing numbers.

In **Bible** we will continue to read about Paul with lessons "A Song in the Night" and "A Ride in the Night".

Field Trip: Thursday is our field trip to the Library and the park. We will be taking a bus for our morning travels and will return to the school for a pizza lunch. Please do still send in snacks for the day. We will have a snack in the morning at the park and we will have our regular afternoon snack time. Please also dress for the weather, it is supposed to be a little cooler on Thursday. Mrs. Kikkert will be driving our bus and Tanya Slotegraaf, Jodie Hordyk, and Samantha Kappers will be coming to help chaperone. Thank you to all who volunteered!

Senior Kindergarten - Mrs. Heida

Last week was a short week but a great week! We had so much fun on Friday painting our wooden cars and having all kinds of races. A special thank you to Mrs. Jones for helping us to have a fantastic day.

This week we will learn the sound of the letter **Yy**. We will continue to segment, blend and spell words. I am assessing the students at this point of the school year. It is all for their term 3 report card.

In **math**, we are moving on to a new unit about patterns in nature and with time. So we will create a stem with leaves in a pattern as well as a snake. We will take note of the pattern of day and night and of the seasons. It is good for us to see patterns so that we can predict or rely on what will happen next.

In **Bible**, we will keep learning about the miracles Jesus performed like healing a blind man and feeding 5,000 people. Our **Memory Work** is "*The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.*" **Luke 7:22b**

We have come to print the last lowercase letter which is **Zz** and will continue to copy words and sentences on lines noticing what type of letter they are above the line, below the line and between the line.

This week we will learn about ants and make an ant craft.

On **THURSDAY MAY 30th 2024**, we will walk over to North Perth Public Library for a story time and craft with Mrs. Berfelz. Mrs. Streicher, Mrs. Bosman and myself will be walking over with the students. Please wear appropriate footwear.

This week we will be practicing for our theme assembly which will be at 9:30 am on Friday.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at m.heida@listowelchristianschool.ca

Have a great week!

SK Dates to Remember:

Thursday May 30, 2024 - 11 am -Trip to North Perth Library
Volunteers: Mrs. Bosman and Mrs. Streicher

Friday May 31, 2024 - 9:30 am SK/Grade 1 leading the theme assembly

Tuesday June 4th, 2024 - Mrs. Heida is away attending Thomas' University Graduation

Friday June 14th, 2024 - 10am SK Class Trip to Mapleton Organics
Leaving the school at 9:30am, Returning for 12:30 pm. Volunteers: Kelly Koersen, Alana Greidanus, Jenessa Streicher

Monday June 17, 2024 - 2pm - SK Graduation. All students will attend as well as parents, grandparents and friends. Students are required to come to school on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Friday June 21, 2024 - Last day of school

Classroom News

Grade 1

Grade 1 - Ms. Denhartog:

Bible: This week we will look at Jerusalem and the Ark. David wanted to make God the center of all of Israelite activity. David wanted to bring the Ark, and when it finally arrived the people of Jerusalem celebrated.

Language: In our UFLI lessons this week we will be working with words that are VCe exceptions. In Our Handwriting without tears we are working on completing our own sentences with prompts as well as copying poems.

Math: In math this week we will continue with time. Last week we worked with the short hour hand. This week we will add in the long minute hand.

Science: We will finish off our unit of God's Garden by creating a plant life cycle and looking at how we can continue to grow God's Garden.

On **Friday** Grade One and SK will be leading the school in the last Beatitude assembly. We are looking forward to sharing in this assembly.

Have a great week!

Grade 2

Grade 2 - Mrs. Grundlingh:

This is the work we are planning to do for the week:

Math - Number sense: We are finishing off our unit on subtraction and moving on to fractions.

Phonics, spelling and reading:

Our focus for this week is:

- **AIR, ARE, and EAR** all spell the same /air/ sound.

Please see the homework practice sheet that went home in their envelopes or via email today to help the students practice these phonic skills as well as the specific spelling words in Mrs Kuipers' message. The spelling test will be on **Friday May 31st** along with last week's spelling words.

Creation studies - Social studies: We continue our unit on Canada and this week we take a look at what we have learned about Canada so far and take a look at Canadian art.

Bible: This week we finish our unit on prayer and focus on the following part of the Lord's prayer: For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever."

Our Bible verse for this week is still **Matthew 6:9-13:**

"Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever."

Library - We have library tomorrow! Please remind your child to pack their library books.

Grade 2 - Mrs. Kuipers:

Congratulations to all everyone in our class who participated and tried their best in track and field! An extra congratulations to those who placed for a ribbon. It was really great seeing so many parents out volunteering and encouraging. Thank you! As you may have read, grade 1 and 2 are not attending district. There **WILL** be school on District day for anyone not attending the meet.

WED- We are wrapping up learning about water and air in God's world this week. There will be a test next week.

THURS- We are writing Haikus! We are also wrapping up learning about stages of development and dental health. There will be a test next week.

FRI - Morning assembly, spelling test.

Green- dollar, solar, actor, doctor, flavour*, chair, care, swear, airplane

Red- burglar, nectar, author, doctor, flavour*, wheelchair, silverware, bearable, airplane

Heart- laugh, sure, built, build, enough, tough, rough, touch

Parent Helpers- if you are able to join us for some end of school events, please let me know! We will need 2-3 parents for each.

Mrs. Grundlingh and I are planning an end of year trip for Grade 2 to the splash pad in town. We are planning for **June 19th (rain date June 20th)**. If you would be interested/ available to join us, please let me (Mrs. Kuipers) know. We will be walking over to the Memorial Park (about 15min walk) mid morning, having lunch there, and then returning back to the school for the afternoon.

We will also be walking to the Listowel Public Library on **Wed June 12 and Thurs June 20** for a 30-60 min program in the morning.

Classroom News

Grade 3

Grade 3 - Mrs. Claus

It's my birthday week!! Yes, I'm one of those people that loves celebrating my birthday. This year I get to share my week with 2 students celebrating their birthdays. God is good!

Bible: This week we will learn more about Joseph's rise to leadership in Egypt.

Math: We are learning about measuring area!

Language: We have been busy writing opinion pieces. The Blue group is still working on their novel study. The Red and Green groups are working on suffixes. I will also be starting their language assessments this week in preparation for report card writing.

Social Studies: We are learning about different levels of government in Ontario this week.

There are a few students from our class that will be asked to be part of the District Track and Field Team. An email will be sent from the office.

Mrs. Claus

Grade 4/5

Grade 4/5 - Mrs. Delleman:

Field Trip - We are planning a field trip with Grades 4, 5, 6 to Brampton on **Wednesday, June 12th**. We will be painting pottery at Crock a Doodle and going to GlowZone to play laser tag and mini golf. Students will be able to come to school on the bus, but will need to be picked up from school at 4:30pm. Permission forms with more information, and a place to indicate if you would like to drive, will be going home today.

Recorders - Mondays and Tuesdays students will need to bring their recorders to school.

I Know It - NO Assignment this week, but there are activities online that students can use to help practice money.

Math - We are finishing a short unit on Financial Literacy and will have our quiz on THURSDAY. A review will go home, along with Smartboard notes, so students can study for the quiz.

Memory Work - Isaiah 43:10a - due FRIDAY - "You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, 'and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he.'"

Spelling - Dictation will be NEXT FRIDAY. 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 Pucks - heard, bear, fear, pear, learn, earth, hear, beard, spear, search, rear, near, wear, yearn, heart, dear, swear, clear, tear, year, earn, tear, hearth

Word Hunters - catcher, picture, measure, figure, butcher, failure, moisture, rancher, capture, future, nature, treasure, teacher, mixture, senior, pleasure, creature, culture, stretcher, leisure, pitcher, injure, torture, posture

Spelling Geezers - sunny, slowly, happily, quickly, rainy, clearly, snowy, easily, foggy, dimly, misty, quietly, stormy, loudly, angrily, daily, chilly, cloudy, windy, noisily, breezy, roughly, lazily, smoothly

Spelling Gummies - prefix, foretell, posttest, afternoon, replay, retaken, foresight, forethought, foreman, prewar, react, aftertaste, postdate, postwar, preposition, reappear, forefathers, reclaim, preseason, afterthought, afterword, foreword, research, return, reconsider, prehistoric, postseason, reruns

Grade 4/5 French - Madame Van Kampen:

We will begin a new unit -- and likely the final -- on food. This will of course include learning the French translations of many "common" foods and dishware & cutlery, using -er verbs in the affirmative and negative (e.g. manger, aimer, acheter, apporter, préparer, etc.), where one goes to buy or eat foods, ordering foods from a server and the quantity and type, and making use of adjectives to provide feedback (e.g. délicieuse, magnifique, horrible, etc.). The "plan" is to have a unit concluding café event with Mme Vogel and the 7/8's.

Classroom News



Grade 5/6

Grade 5/6 - Mrs. O'Boyle:

Bible - We will wrap up our unit on the Pentecost. Study guides for this unit will be sent home on Friday. Unit test is planned for **Wed. Jun. 5th**.

Memory Work - Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Ephesians 6:13-17

Due: Jun 6th

Language - In writing, we will continue to work organizing and sequencing our writing. We will also continue to work on our editing skills. In grammar, we will work on verbs. To work on our reading comprehension we will work on our summarizing skills and will also use the monitoring reading strategy.

Spelling - Please watch your child's agenda for nightly review assignments. Our spelling tests will be on **Thursday June 6th**.

Blue Taters - Sort 26 - grab, prop, horn, cork, trot, war, scarf, cram, brag, corn, short, fork, craft, cord, horn, scar, dart, track, trap, mark, star, barn, charm, frog, crop

Pizza Squad - Sort 21 - rooster, Tuesday, useful, doodle, fewer, jewel, toothache, noodle, beauty, chewy, scooter, ruler, include, reduce, ballot, cartoon, racoon, shampoo, cocoon, amuse, confuse, student, music, tulip

Billy Bob Joe that Spells - Sort 39 - obey, obeying, obeyed, obeys, enjoy, enjoying, enjoyed, enjoys, decay, decaying, decayed, decays, reply, replying, replied, replies, study, studying, studied, studies, copy, copying, copies, copied, carry, carrying, carried, carries, hurry, hurrying, hurried, hurries

Weird Words - Sort 20 - transport, format, transform, import, spectacle, prospect, retrospect, portable, inspection, important, reform, conform, respect, reporter, export, spectacular, spectator, formation, inspector, perspective

Social Studies - We will draw our unit - From Far and Wide to a close. This week we will look at the importance of sustainability, as well as multiculturalism and diversity. There will be a unit test for this on **Tues. June 4th**.

Science - We will bring our Space Declares unit to a close. We will finish our research on Canadian astronauts, and begin a space survival project, which alongside a quiz on Friday will be our culminating activity for this unit.

Grade 5/6



Art - We will continue to explore complementary colours and how we can use them to create an optical illusion. We will also begin a watercolour piece where we will focus on focal point and use of space.

Health - We will begin a unit called Character Playbook: Building Healthy Relationships. In this unit we will look at self-awareness, self-regulation, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision making. This week our focus will be on self-awareness.

Field Trip - We will be travelling to Brampton on **Wed. June 12th** to paint pottery at Crock-a-doodle, and then to play mini golf and laser tag at GlowZone 360 with the Grade 4/5 class. We will be leaving as soon as buses arrive in the morning and should be back by 4:30 in the afternoon. Please arrange to pick-up your child from the school then. If you are willing to drive and join in the fun on this day please let me or Mrs. Delleman know and include in your message how many passengers you can take. Alternately you can include this information on your child's permission form. Permission forms will be coming home in Kidmail today and are due back no later than **Mon. June 10th**. Thank you!

Grade 5/6 French - Madame Van Kampen:

We will begin a new unit -- and likely the final -- on food. This will of course include learning the French translations of many "common" foods and dishware & cutlery, using -er verbs in the affirmative and negative (e.g. manger, aimer, acheter, apporter, préparer, etc.), where one goes to buy or eat foods, ordering foods from a server and the quantity and type, and making use of adjectives to provide feedback (e.g. délicieuse, magnifique, horrible, etc.). The "plan" is to have a unit concluding café event with Mme Vogel and the 7/8's.

Grade 5/6 Math - Ms. Van Kampen:

We will continue to work through our unit on Fractions. Focus will continue on converting mixed and improper fractions and then progress to equivalent fractions.