



KINGDOM NEWS



Our Newest Teacher at WCS

This year we were blessed with being able to find a new French and Music teacher who is working with Grades 3-8. Her name is Janette Richmond.

Janette was born and raised in a rural community between Wallaceburg and Dresden. She attended East Sombra Central school until grade eight and then attended Lambton-Kent Secondary School. Following highschool, Janette moved to London, Ontario to attend King's University College for three years.



During this time she volunteered at Bishop Townsend Public School in Junior and Senior Kindergarten classrooms. God used this volunteer position to confirm that teaching was the career for her. As a result of this, Janette moved to Windsor to complete Teacher's College at Windsor University. Janette currently attends First Baptist church and volunteers in "Kidz Klub" at her community church, Charlemont Free Methodist.

Janette has completed practicums in four local schools and done some occasional teaching at Walpole Island Elementary School. This is Janette's first year of teaching, and as she begins to settle into routines, she is anxious to learn more about her staff, students, and their families.

We welcome Miss Richmond to full-time teacher status, as she will also be teaching the Grade 1 & 2 class in the mornings, beginning in January. Mrs. Schenck will return from a leave of absence, and will be teaching Grade 1 & 2 in the afternoons.

Teacher Wish List:

Every once in a while, the teachers come across something they would just love to have to better teach your children. If you have any of these items, or wish to donate money to help purchase them, please contact the school for more details. Thanks in advance for your support to our school!

- **LCD Projector**
- **Paint brushes of all kinds**
- **Better tables for Kindergarten**
- **Smaller table for the Resource Room**
- **Magnetic white board for Grade 1 & 2**
- **Hanging baskets for under the Grade 3 & 4 desks**
- **Two nice tables and chairs for Grade 3 & 4**
- **A CD / Tape player and headphones for the Grade 3 & 4 listening centre**



Legacy... Last Will and TESTIMONY?

For this topic of stewardship, I asked my colleague James VanderLaan to address this important aspect of Stewardship. James helped us re-draft our Will and we are grateful for his insights and advice. Edith and I highly recommend his services to you.

Do you have a Will? Is it up to date? Did you write it last year? 5 years ago? 20 years ago? What were the circumstances that caused you to have one written?

In my work at Christian Stewardship Services (CSS), I find that the need for a Will is most commonly addressed when a couple has their first child, a family decides to take a trip in a flight over water, someone close to them passes away and it causes them reflect on their wishes, or an older couple begins to think about how they want “their” wealth (blessings) distributed.

It doesn’t necessarily matter what eventually causes you to draft a Will. The important thing is that you have one. A properly drafted Will ensures the details of your estate can be worked out quickly and easily. Without a Will, the province appoints an administrator. This can also result in more of your estate going towards fees and taxes.

We have all heard the commonly phrased statement “Last Will and Testament”. Did you know that your Will is more that your “Last Will and Testament”? Did you know that your Will is really a TESTIMONY? It is a TESTIMONY to your values, your priorities and your faith.

The making of a Will is an important act of stewardship. To recognize and acknowledge God as the owner of all things is a fundamental principle of Christian stewardship. Everything that has been entrusted to us by God will be distributed when we pass away. God has entrusted us with the important decision as to “who gets what”.

Does your Will accurately reflect your values, your priorities in life and your faith? If not...should it? If you don’t have a Will or have a Will needing an update, please look after it right away! The following is a personal checklist of only a few items that may help you decide if your Will is still “up to date”.

When was your Will put in place? ____/____/____ Day Month Year	Does your Will reflect your current wishes? <input type="checkbox"/> ? No <input type="checkbox"/> ? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> ? Unsure
Executor? Who is your Executor? Do they know? Are they still willing and able?	Guardianship Who are the guardians for your children? Provisions for children will be provided up to what age?
Distribution of the Estate: How will your estate be distributed? At what age will your children inherit? Will it be distributed in a lump sum? Or in a series of payments?	Distribution of the Estate: Have you considered including Ministry / Charity? Do your kids know your intentions?
Effects & Furnishings How will they be disbursed?	

Before you decide to have your Will drafted or update your current one, please take the time to pray about these important decisions. Remember: A Will is for the Living. Make it while you can!

If you like, feel free to contact us for further information or assistance – see contact details below.

Stewardly Tip: There are several ways that charitable giving can occur within a Will. A popular strategy that incorporates an act of Stewardship and ensures our children are provided for is the “Child Called Charity” concept. The “Child called Charity” concept includes a gift to charity equal to the share received by your children. In many cases a gift in a will can often lead to significant tax savings for your estate.

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