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Newsline 26



Greetings WCS,

I am sure many of you were able to enjoy the beautiful weather the March Break brought; I know I did. It was simply awesome that just as life was getting a little overwhelming for me in the principal role, a break such as this came around, so that I and many others were able to unwind and be refreshed.

It is hard to imagine how fast this year is going by. We are now in the time of year where many thoughts are being placed into plans for next year. The board is looking for new nominations to begin in May or June. The Education Committee is looking at new candidates to replace Mrs. Hoogstad, who will be going on maturity leave after this school year, and two new members for the committee. As the principal I am already planning the next year's calendar.

As a staff and different school committees, we still

have many things to plan. There is the **Spring Society Meeting** in April, **Grandparents Day** on May 11<sup>th</sup> (more information will be coming soon), **Field Day** on May 18<sup>th</sup>, **end of the year trips** for all grades, the annual **school's BBQ** on June 8<sup>th</sup>, and **Graduation** on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Therefore, even though my thoughts are looking to the future, I am well aware there is still much to be done in the remaining 3 months of school.

Speaking of planning, I would still love to have people hand in their **testimonies** for why you send your children to Wallaceburg Christian School. To date I have heard many, but nothing formal has been sent in. If you could find some time to write down your thoughts and send them my way, I would be very grateful. I would really dislike misconstruing your thoughts by paraphrasing your comments.

Yes, life is going to continue to be busy for the next few months, but I celebrate that I am able to work in a community that cares, prays, and serves one another. I pray that we can continue to strive to teach that to our students and children each day. I celebrate that WCS is a place where this can be taught.

I will leave you with these words I found by Jon Walker, the new author for the Purpose driven Life daily devotional. They are just a simple reminder that in all things that we do, do we keep God fresh in our minds?

"Throughout the day, think about the "ordinary" things you do as an act of worship to God, and ask yourself: Am I lined up with the purpose and

pleasure of God as I do this? Am I allowing God to work through me, or am I working this myself?"

([www.purposedrivenlife.com/devarchive.aspx?ARCHIVEID=2142](http://www.purposedrivenlife.com/devarchive.aspx?ARCHIVEID=2142))

Shalom,  
Mr. Andy J. Alblas

## SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

### Chocolate Almonds

Sell, sell, sell your almonds! Money is due March 28<sup>th</sup> (\$50 per case). Cheques can be made out to the school. Each case is worth \$50 (about \$25 will go toward the Fair Glen trip).

### Fine Arts Day

Some students in grades 5-8 will be attending Fine Arts Day on Wednesday at the Free Reformed Church in Chatham. Students need to be at the school for 8:45 a.m. as Mrs. Feddes will be driving the bus there and back.

### Grandparents Day Program:

This year for our Grandparent's Day Program we are tentatively planning a talent show involving multiple generations. This means that **we need your help!!** If you, your child(ren), and your child(ren)'s grandparent/grand friend would like to sign up to either sing, act, do a dramatic reading, play an instrument, tell a joke, etc, please send a note to the school **no later than Monday, March 26.** An example would be if you played an instrument to accompany your child and the child's grandparent while singing. If we do not have enough participants, then we will choose another program to perform. **Grandparent's Day is May 11, 2007.**

**Happy Birthday to:**

*Josh Luth – March 18*

*Megan Vandendool – March 19*

*Lydia Smith – March 20*

### Report Cards

On Friday the report cards will be sent home. Although they don't need to be signed and returned, the teachers would like to know that all parents did receive them and were able to talk about them with their child. Please let us know that you did in fact read them.

### Community Hockey Event

Thanks to all those that bought tickets; we sold 40 and therefore raised \$120 for the Grade 7-8 end of the year trip.

### Graphic Design Possibility

An idea has come across my desk that may interest those that are into graphic design. If you are interested is designing Christian logos, a company in town is interested in putting them to print that could be possibly sold to different Christian organizations. For now I don't have a lot of details but I thought I would but a bug in people's ears and see what comes of it. If this is something that interests you please contact Mr. Alblas.

### Scholastics:

Today 2 Scholastic magazines will be sent home. If you would like to buy something from either magazine, please send in a cheque to Scholastic Canada Ltd. And the order form by next week Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

*Prayer Corner*

*Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arie & Diana Alblas on the birth of their baby girl, Daniella Margriet, on Friday, March 16. We praise God for the gift of new life!*

*Thank the Lord that everyone has safely returned after the March break.*

*Please remember to pray for the Board in their search for nominations for Board elections.*

*Russell Kraayenbrink currently has no immune system; please pray that this will increase so that he can return to school, as well as resume treatments.*

*Brendan McLachlin is sick with the flu; we pray for healing.*

**Reminder from the Cleaning Committee:**

If you are having someone clean for you, please send your money in on the Friday (cost is \$30).  
If you are writing a cheque, please leave the name blank, as there are 3 different people who clean.  
Contact Nicolina at 627-4739 or Carrie at 628-5891 for more information.

**March 23**

VANDENDOOL  
VANDERSPEK  
VANDER VAART  
VYVEY  
ANDERSON

**March 30**

BAIDEN  
BULSINK  
CARRON  
DEPOOTER  
CAMPBELL

**April 6**

FOSTER  
GELLNER  
HAVEMAN  
HEARN  
HILL

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Thursday, March 22  
Friday, March 23  
Thursday, March 29  
Friday, April 6  
Monday, April 9

1:15 p.m.

**Prayer Meeting** – everyone welcome!  
**Report Cards**  
**Hotdog Day** (Grade 3-4 bring treats)  
**GOOD FRIDAY** – no school  
**EASTER MONDAY** – no school

# CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS:

## Joy School AND Kindergarten:

This week the letter is **T t**. The alphabet pal is Tina Turtle. The Bible character is Thomas. The Bible verse is "Teach me thy way, O Lord." Psalm 27:11 Snack is provided by Elijah.

## Kindergarten:

Reports will be sent home this Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please sign the envelope and return the report card to school as soon as possible.

If you would like to meet with me and discuss the report, please send a note or call the school to set up an appointment after school or early evening.

## Grade 1 and 2:

Welcome back. I hope everyone enjoyed the March Break.

We are beginning a new unit in Health called Making Healthy Choices. Please encourage students to choose healthy snacks to bring to school, as well as motivate them to find new ways to be active now that Spring is on our doorstep.

**P.O.W. Winner:** Nathan Luth (gr. 1)

## Spelling Words:

### **Grade One**

car  
fish  
brush  
box  
call  
dented

### **Grade Two**

sister  
porch  
enjoying  
cement  
chimney  
judge

## Grade 3 and 4:

Please be sure to sign your child's FROG book every night. This is a great communication tool between home and school, and if it is signed, I can ensure that you are aware of what is happening in the classroom. Thank you.

**Spelling:** Week 24 Test on Friday. Words went home in FROG books today.

**Grade 3 Math Test:** This week we will begin our math test on Number Operations. It involves knowing addition, subtraction, multiplication & division facts and also problem solving to solve some questions.

## Grade 5 and 6:

We did our social studies presentations today.

Our PSAs for P4B are due on Thursday.

Grade 5s have a POW due on Friday.

Our new memory work is John 3:16-18. It is due on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Grade 7-8 – Term Three Week Two Monday (Next Week)

- Signed Student booklet and full page journal. Please write neatly and fill every line. Feel free to type work and glue in on to the page.
- This week's topic is: **If you had to describe yourself as a colour, which would you choose?**

## Wednesday

- Spelling Sentences

## Thursday

- Grade 7 Math Test

## Friday

- Memory Verse
- Spelling Test

## Memory Section

27 It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young.

28 Let him sit alone in silence, for the LORD has laid it on him.

## Lamentations 3:27-28

## Spelling List

1. courageous
2. ridiculous
3. hazardous
4. argument
5. excitement

- 6. improvement
- 7. refreshment
- 8. gentleness
- 9. sleepiness
- 10. openness
- 11. outrageous
- 12. suspicious
- 13. miscellaneous
- 14. acknowledgment
- 15. judgment
- 16. engagement
- 17. arrangement
- 18. stubbornness
- 19. cleanliness
- 20. evenness

**TRIP**

Our sales have decreased quite a bit since Christmas. **Please consider getting back into the habit of using these gift cards for your every day shopping.** Even if you do not use the tuition reduction portion of this program, this is still a **MAJOR** fundraiser for the school. By using these certificates on a regular basis, the entire school benefits.

**Please note:**

- 1) **Giant Tiger** is now giving us a **10%** return! Declining balance gift cards are available in \$25 and \$50 denominations.
- 2) We have a limited amount of **Sears \$25 gift cards** available. Please fill in the order form under Other (if available).

**WALLACEBURG CHRISTIAN SCHOOL – IN STOCK Certificate / Gift Card Order Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque #: \_\_\_\_\_

Declining Balance Gift card	RETAILER	\$5	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$50	\$100	\$250	\$ Total
✓	Canadian Tire (5%)								
✓	Giant Tiger (10%)								
✓	No Frills, Zehrs, Superstore (5%)								
✓	Shoppers Drug Mart (5%)								
	Sobeys, Foodland, IGA (5%)								
	Tim Hortons (5%)								
	<b>Other (if available)</b>								

**Please indicate if this is a recurring order (attach postdated cheques) Weekly \_\_\_ Monthly \_\_\_**

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# **SURVEY** - Have your say!!

We **will** be ordering NEW school team shirts as the old ones have had their better days.

We have discussed possibly changing the school colour and adding a team name. We have a few new ideas but would like your input; therefore the reason for this survey!

1. We are looking for "business sponsorship" to cover the cost. We believe the shirts will cost approximately \$1,600. Please check off at the bottom of the survey any amount you would be willing to sponsor.
2. If you can come up with a TEAM NAME and it is chosen, then we have a prize for you!! Fill in the TEAM NAME box below.
3. We are doing the survey to get your opinions on leaving the school colour "RED" or changing it to "ROYAL BLUE" ?? Tick the box you prefer and then write down any comments or reasons to back up your choice below.

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**RED**  **COMMENTS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ROYAL BLUE**  \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**SCHOOL TEAM NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Willing to Sponsor?**

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount :** \_\_\_\_\_

Please give this some thought as this is YOUR way to have a say. Please reply **within 2 weeks** (by April 2<sup>nd</sup>) by doing the following:

- a) send your form in to school **OR**
- b) email to the school @ : [admin@wallaceburgchristianschool.com](mailto:admin@wallaceburgchristianschool.com)

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**School Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_