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Greetings WCS,

Last week Friday our staff had the wonderful opportunity to gather at our annual professional development meeting in Strathroy. It was here that many other teachers and administrators from all over Southwestern Ontario gathered to learn about new changes in Christian education, or to be recharged with insightful ideas based upon powerful speakers.

This year we were blessed to have two wonderful speakers who presented topics that I found to be very relevant to Christian Education, about which we should be thinking and asking questions.

For the time being I will focus just on the first speaker. Dr. Deborah Bowen, an Associate Professor and Chair of the English Department at Redeemer University College, spoke on the topic "What Our Students Really Learn: The Unsung Curriculum."

She led us to understand that a lot more learning takes place in the classroom than what the teacher intends. By pointing this out, though I am sure many teachers were well aware that this does happen, it causes us to think about possible dangers that may take place if we are not fully attentive to this unsung curriculum.

She wanted us to be aware that we should not assume:

- that everyone in the school understands what it means to be a Christian;
- that it is not necessary to give a serious defence of Christian Faith to anyone outside it.
- academic gifts are the most important
- our cultural status quo is good
- our ways of thinking and behaving are

normative; others' ways are strange

I know these points cause a lot of questions to be raised, and though I don't have the time or space to write out a detailed responses to all of them, I do encourage you all to talk about the assumptions we make when speaking of Christian Education.

At our last society we began a process of listing reasons why we delight in Christian Education in order to remain positive and excited about our school. At the same time we need to continually reflect on what is happening here, making every effort to continue to provide a firm foundation, as our founders had intended.

We have a new generation of students at our school with a different mind set than those that started

here 45 years ago, therefore, we need to continually look for ways to inspire our students to love God and serve others in the environment in which they live.

Though this may be a difficult task at times, God does call us to run the race as it is written in Hebrews 12:1

–“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.”

Therefore, may you all celebrate this week as our school continues to move ahead as we ask the questions looking for ways to ever improve and remain faithful to God and our students

Shalom,  
Andy J. Alblas

## SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

### New School Name:

Two weeks ago a form was sent home asking for your choice on two different school names. I have only had a few come back. I am not sure if this is a sign that people are too busy to fill it in, or can't be bothered with sharing their opinion, or just don't feel the need for a change. Whatever the case may be, I would like to know what your thoughts are.

So, please hand this back with your vote **by Friday**, thanks!

\_\_\_ Wallaceburg, Eagles

\_\_\_ Wallaceburg, Warriors

\_\_\_ No change is needed

\_\_\_ I have a better idea, here it is \_\_\_\_\_

### Track & Field Day

Our Track and Field day is May 18<sup>th</sup>. We are still looking for volunteers to make this day happen. Please contact Mrs. Medenblik or Mrs. Schenck at the school as soon as possible if you are able to volunteer. Thank you.

### Scholastic

Scholastic orders should be sent to the school by May 3<sup>rd</sup> (cheques payable to Scholastic Canada Ltd). Thank you.

### Grandparents/Friends Day

We will be holding our annual Grandparents/Friends Day on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Invitations have been sent home.

Please see the form at the end of this Newsline regarding help needed.

### From the Transportation Committee

#### **\*\* BUS CHANGES \*\***

1. Please note that on Friday May 18, the Port Lambton bus will not be available for the afternoon run. It will be running as scheduled in the morning but please make arrangements to have your children picked up in the afternoon.

2. It has come to the attention of the Transportation Committee that the buses are waiting for a prolonged period of time at different stops, waiting for children who are not ready for the bus. It is dangerous for the buses to be standing still, and due to the length of both bus runs, the drivers have been instructed to keep pick-up / wait times to a minimum. **Please have your children ready 10 minutes before their pick-up time.** If you have any questions, please contact Wayne Vandendool, Rick Kraayenbrink, Wilf Allaer, or Garret Luth. Thank you.

**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.

**May 4**

KRAAYENBRINK, G & A  
KRAAYENBRINK, H & J  
RIEDL  
SOUTHGATE  
VANDENDOOLO

**May 11**

KRAAYENBRINK, E & I  
VANDERSPEK  
VANDER VAART  
VYVEY  
ANDERSON

**May 18**

BAISDEN  
BULSINK  
CARRON  
DEPOOTER  
FOSTER

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Thursday, May 5

1:15 p.m.

**Weekly Prayer Meeting** – parents and supporters welcome

Friday, May 11

**Grandparents Day**

Friday, May 18

**WCS Field Day** (rain date May 23)

Friday, June 8

**CDCS Field Day** (rain date June 11)

Friday, June 15

**WCS Annual Year-End BBQ**

Friday, June 22

**Last day of school**

**Graduation**

**Happy Birthday to:**

*Nicole DePooter – May 2*

*Amanda McCaughrin – May 4*

*Johnathan McCaughrin – May 4*

**CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS:**

**Joy School AND Kindergarten:**

The letter this week is **Zz**. The Bible verse is "Zion hears and is glad." Psalm 97:8 The Bible character is Zaccheus. The alphabet pal is Zelda Zebra. Please pray for the people in Zimbabwe. Snack will be provided by Russell.

**Joy School children** are also invited to attend Grandparents Day on Friday, May 11. Parents would need to pick them up at 2:30 p.m. at the Wallaceburg Christian Reformed Church on Bruinsma Avenue.

**Grade 1 and 2:**

Math Homework booklets are due this Friday, May 4. Please take this week to finish up any unfinished work in the book and then hand them in. Remember, this is not mandatory.

Memory Verse: Lines to be memorized for Grandparents Day went home last Wednesday. Your student should have their lines memorized by Monday, May 7.

Word Wall Words (review from last week):my, question

Spelling Words:

Grade One: cinder, music, drives, feather, climb, large

Grade Two: dash, gas, jam, map, cash, path, sat, ran, ant, had

**Grade 3 and 4:**

**Grandparent's Day Poem:** A poem was sent home last week. Please be sure that your child continues to review this. It should already be memorized.

**Spelling:** Week 31 Test on Friday. Words went home in FROG books today.

**Novel Study:** This is our last week for Charlotte's Web. Our test will be on Wednesday. As long as your child has been reading along with us in class they should be ready. The test will resemble an AR test.

**Bible Test:** We will have a Bible Test on Friday. Review sheets went home today. This was a short unit mainly on Jeremiah.

**Grade 3 Math:** Temperature Posters are due on Wednesday. Students have been working on these since last Thursday and will have class time on Monday and Tuesday this week as well.

**High Jump:** We will be beginning High Jump practice for Field Day. We will be practicing during gym classes on Tuesdays as well as on Fridays at lunch time. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for these days.

**Running Practice:** We will be practicing long distance running on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays beginning today and up until District Field Day. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for these days.

French Test: Thursday

- |    |         |   |        |
|----|---------|---|--------|
| 1. | poisson | - | fish   |
| 2. | oeuf    | - | egg    |
| 3. | fromage | - | cheese |
| 4. | orange  | - | orange |

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|-----|--------------|---|-------------|
| 5.  | raisins      | - | grapes      |
| 6.  | banane       | - | banana      |
| 7.  | creme glacee | - | ice cream   |
| 8.  | laitue       | - | lettuce     |
| 9.  | pomme        | - | apple       |
| 10. | chou-fleur   | - | cauliflower |
| 11. | pain         | - | bread       |
| 12. | riz          | - | rice        |
| 13. | craquelins   | - | crackers    |
| 14. | biscuits     | - | cookies     |
| 15. | beignes      | - | donuts      |

**Grade 5 and 6:**

Don't forget to invite your grandparents/grandfriends to Grandparent's Day. Call the school to let us know who's coming!

We have a science test on our geology unit on Thursday.

We have to make our minimum AR goal of 10 books and 25 points by Tuesday.

The Grade 5 math test and mini-project on measurement is next Wednesday. Please study using your math homework sheets.

Memory work for next Friday is Matthew 28:18-20.

Spelling dictation is on Friday. Words are:

1. jaguar
2. drift
3. fault
4. tectonics
5. ridges
6. earthquake
7. volcano
8. bland
9. filthy
10. glistening
11. distracted
12. courtyard
13. trial
14. burial
15. perpetual
16. indeed
17. resurrection
18. asleep
19. unfinished
20. valuable
21. always

22. you're
23. everyone
24. Sanhedrin
25. crucifixion
26. continental \*
27. reluctantly \*
28. Caiaphas \*
29. Corinthians \*\*
30. Gethsemane \*\*

#### French test: Friday

- |     |                          |   |                          |
|-----|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 1.  | cheveux longs            | - | long hair                |
| 2.  | cheveux courts           | - | short hair               |
| 3.  | nez pointu               | - | pointed nose             |
| 4.  | gros nez                 | - | large nose               |
| 5.  | nez rond                 | - | round nose               |
| 6.  | nez crochu               | - | hooked nose              |
| 7.  | petit nez                | - | small nose               |
| 8.  | grands yeux              | - | big eyes                 |
| 9.  | yeux brides              | - | slit eyes                |
| 10. | cheveux frises           | - | frizzy / very curly hair |
| 11. | cheveux raides           | - | straight hair            |
| 12. | cheveux ondules          | - | wavy hair                |
| 13. | bouche mince             | - | thin mouth               |
| 14. | bouche ronde             | - | round mouth              |
| 15. | visage ovale             | - | oval face                |
| 16. | visage en forme de coeur | - | heart shaped face        |
| 17. | visage carre             | - | square face              |
| 18. | visage rond              | - | round face               |
| 19. | grande bouche            | - | big mouth                |
| 20. | petite bouche            | - | small mouth              |

#### **Grade 7-8 – Term Three Week Eight**

##### **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: **What would you do if you were the teacher and everyone forgot their homework?**

##### **Wednesday**

- Spelling Sentences

##### **Friday**

- Memory Verse
- Spelling Test

**Geography:** Our research project on the tundra biome is due next Thursday. They will be presented on that day.

#### **Memory Section**

7 How priceless is your unfailing love! Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights.

9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

**Psalms 36: 7-9**

#### **Spelling List**

1. reserved
2. tendency
3. revolting
4. disgusting
5. incline
6. treachery
7. obliged
8. subdued
9. intention
10. smuggled
11. barrier
12. wretched
13. leisure
14. foreboding
15. preserve
16. reckon
17. impatient
18. trudged
19. precipice
20. irresistible

#### **French Test - Friday**

- |     |             |   |             |
|-----|-------------|---|-------------|
| 1.  | souterraine | - | underground |
| 2.  | partir      | - | to leave    |
| 3.  | sortir      | - | to go out   |
| 4.  | spéléologie | - | spelunking  |
| 5.  | vêtements   | - | clothes     |
| 6.  | bottes      | - | boots       |
| 7.  | salles      | - | rooms       |
| 8.  | puits       | - | shaft       |
| 9.  | la guide    | - | the guide   |
| 10. | amis        | - | friend      |
| 11. | Je entends  | - | I hear      |
| 12. | Je touche   | - | I touch     |
| 13. | stalagmites | - | stalagmites |

- 14. squelette - skeleton
- 15. roches - rocks
- 16. ossements - bones
- 17. chauve-souris - bats
- 18. clé - key
- 19. Oh là là! - Oh dear!
- 20. Je vois - I see

One of the following will be a bonus:

- chaud - hot
- Je sens - I smell
- casque protecteur helmet

**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%)								
	Country Style (10%)								
✓	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** \_\_\_

Revised: April 10, 2007



**Grandparents Day is Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007!!**

We are looking for volunteers to donate the following items to help this day run smoothly.

**Please hand in this form no later than Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007.**

I am able to assist with Grandparents/Grandfriends Day by providing:

- baked goods
- pan of soup
- dessert
- kitchen help (9:45-12:00)
- clean up (12:00 - 2:30)

(we are expecting approximately 100 people)

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