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Newsline 1

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31

Principal's Message

Greetings WCS,

A new year has dawned and our school is eager to soar into a life of learning and faithful servitude in the name of Christ! What a blessing it is that our school is entering its 46th year of Christian Education. God is truly great!

This morning Mrs. Nicole Vyn spoke about the theme that was chosen by the staff this year: "Soaring on Eagle's Wings", based upon Isaiah 40:31. She began by explain how a mother eagle teaches her young to fly. Mrs. Vyn stated, " The mother would take one of her babies in her mouth and start soaring into the skies, then suddenly she would drop the baby. . . However, just before the eaglet would smash against the rocks below the mother would sweep down and carry the eaglet to safety." This would continue for 5 to 8 times; each time the eaglet wondered why the mother was doing this. Yet the eaglets would continue to try because they wanted to be like their mother. By the 14th or 15th time, the eaglet begins to fly.

She continued by saying that a mother eagle is like God who cares for us. When we have problems this school year, we

can ask God for help. God will always carry us to safety like the mother did for her young. We are also able ask God for help at any time and in any place. So when you feel school becoming a struggle, trust that God is right beside you, wanting you to fly but always there to swoop and pick you up before you smash against rocks of life.

What a wonderful reminder this is to have faith in a God who will stand by us all no matter what our circumstances. I look forward to continuing this journey with you throughout the year, as we learn what it mean to soar on eagle's wings for Christ.

In addition I would like to mention all the new families and students that have joined our school this year:

* New student

** New family

First

Last

Parents

Joy School

Oliver

**Arnold

Scott & Tracy
(Bridge) Arnold

Nathaniel

**Highfield

Thomas & Deb

*Connor Lubbers Glen & Anita
Matthew **Marcotte Rita
*Ethan McLachlin Chad & Becky

Emily **Snelgrove Matt &
Shannon
Evelyne **Workman Phil and Jen

Kindergarten

*Daniel Kraayenbrink Bernard &
Karlene
*Kyle Kraayenbrink Jim & Lucia
Elijah **Martin Don & Susan
Beth
Alexander **Pastoor Jason & Renee
*Melody Riedl Matt &
Stephanie

Grade One

Alyssa **Snelgrove Matt &
Shannon

Grade Five

*Jocelyn McLaughlin Tom & Mary

Shalom,
Mr. Andy J. Alblas

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

Soccer Practices

Soccer practices begin for any student in Grades 5-8 that is interested in joining the school team. They will be held at Glen Mickel Park every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30-5:00 p.m. The first practice is this week Thursday, September 6th.

Coach Brian Horrobin has agreed to be our boys soccer coach again this year, and Taylor Kraayenbrink is coaching the girls team. Mrs. VanderEnde is the staff supervisor.

Bus Safety Presentation

On Thursday, all the students will receive a refresher course on how to behave during bus pick ups, and on bus rides. The presentation begin on 9:30 a.m. for Kindergarten, Grade 1-2 and Grade 7-8. At 10:10 a.m. Grades 3-6 will experience the same presentation. This program is run though the Chatham-Kent Police Department.

Lice Checking

It is that time of year again when we ensure that nothing was "picked up" during the summer months. I ask that our annual lice checkers give me a call so that we can tackle this sometime this week, thanks.

Office Hours

If ever you need information about the school or have question or concerns please contact the office.

The principal will be in the office from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday, or by e-mail after hours.

The administrative assistant, Mrs. Laurie Hooyer, will be in the office Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 9:30 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. Please contact her if you have any questions.

For your information:

New School Year packages are being sent home today. **Please take a few minutes tonight** to sit down and fill in the requested information, and return the forms (no later than Monday, September 10 please).

The packages include:

- ▶ **Student Profile** – one per child. Please update and return these forms to the school office as soon as possible; please remember to sign them in both indicated areas. If changes apply to the entire family (e.g. address) you may enter it once and it will be recorded for all your children. It is important to us to have the most up-

to-date information for our students in the office. Any changes will be incorporated into the school directory, which should be in your hands by mid-September.

- ▶ **Our School Website form** – It is very important that this form be filled out and signed, whether it is a positive or a negative answer. Thank you.
- ▶ **Volunteer Form** – Volunteers are extremely important to the smooth running of WCS. Please prayerfully consider how you may give of your time and talents.
- ▶ **2007-08 Parent Student Handbook** – For your reference on school procedures and policies throughout the school year. This will replace the booklet received when your children began attending WCS and will be issued every year to reflect changes.
- ▶ **Initial Family and Classroom List** – For you to keep until the 2007-08 student directory is issued.

Teacher Contact:

Our teachers have been set up with their own email addresses. Please feel free to contact them in this way, or by phoning during school hours.

aalblas@wallaceburgchristianschoolcom
rloxton@wallaceburgchristianschoolcom
lmedenblik@wallaceburgchristianschoolcom
nnauta@wallaceburgchristianschoolcom
jvanderende@wallaceburgchristianschoolcom
nvyn@wallaceburgchristianschoolcom

Mrs. Lammers and Mrs. Hooyer can be reached at:
admin@wallaceburgchristianschool.com

Prayer Corner

If you have any requests that you would like to have included in the Newsline please notify the office by 10 a.m. Monday. This can be done by phone (leave a message if need be), note (place in the office box on the door), or e-mail it to the office.

WCS Birthday Listings

Each week we will list the birthdays of our students. May God bless your celebrations!

Newsline:

Our Newsline is available on our website (www.wallaceburgchristianschool.com) on Mondays. You are able to quickly access it by a link on the home page of the website, and print it off at home. If you are unable to access the internet and/or wish other arrangements, please contact Laurie in the school office.

Notices for the Newsline are to be submitted to Laurie Hooyer by 10:00 a.m. on Mondays. Thank you.

School Directory:

A new school directory is being prepared. It will contain relevant information for the 2007-2008 school year. The most current information from the updated Student Profiles will be incorporated. We hope to have it in your hands soon.

School Schedule:

School begins		8:45 a.m.
Classes	8:50 a.m.	– 10:30 a.m.
Recess	10:30 a.m.	– 10:50 a.m.
Classes	10:50 a.m.	– 12:15 p.m.
Lunch	12:15 p.m.	– 12:55 p.m.
Classes	12:55 p.m.	– 3:25 p.m.
School dismissed		3:25 p.m.
Buses leave		3:30 p.m.

Available to Purchase:

Our students in Grades 3-8 require a Bible (New International Version) at school for their studies. You may use one from home, or purchase one from the school office.

Scholastics:

Scholastics flyers will be sent home on Thursday. Any orders would need to be returned to Mrs. Lammers by Thursday, September 20.

From the Cleaning Committee:

PLEASE NOTE: With the high demand to have cleaning done, we need one or two people to join our team for the Cleaning Committee, and/or become cleaners. If we find it too overwhelming, we will start to limit how many people we can clean for in a week. That will leave more parents having to do their own cleaning. Please contact Nicolina Baisden or Carrie McCaughrin if interested. Thank you.

From the Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools:

- ▶ Attached please find a Queen's Park Update with important information about the upcoming provincial election.
- ▶ This evening (September 4) at 8:00 pm on "The Agenda with Steve Paikin" on TVO, the discussion will center around faith-based funding. Guests will include Barb Bierman, spokesperson for Parents for Educational Choice. Please encourage your school supporters to watch this program.

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 350-4739 or Carrie at 628-5891 for more information.

September 7

RIEDL
 VANDENDOOL
 VANDERSPEK
 VYVEY
 ANDERSON

September 15

BULSINK
 CARRON
 DEPOOTER
 FOSTER
 HAVEMAN

September 22

BAISDEN
 GELLNER
 HEARN
 HILL
 HOOYER, W.

WHAT IS TRIP??

(Tuition Reduction Incentive Plan)

Our main fundraiser for the school is also a way for you to reduce your tuition costs! Not only does your participation help our Fundraising Committee purchase computers, textbooks, library books, teaching aids and contribute to the budget, it also allows you to reduce your tuition for the next year! We encourage everyone to join in helping to reduce the costs of Christian education.

How do you participate? Simple. All you do is purchase gift cards or certificates for your groceries or other shopping. They have been purchased at a discount, and of the profits you raise, 50% can go to your tuition for next year, and 50% goes to the school. Getting family, friends and coworkers involved is a great way to increase profits.

What gift cards/certificates are available? Currently we are offering:

- ▶ **Sobeys certificates** – which you can

also use at Foodland and Price Chopper stores

- ▶ **No Frills gift cards** – also usable at Real Canadian Superstores
- ▶ **Canadian Tire gift cards** – redeemable at the stores and the gas bar.
- ▶ **Country Style gift certificates**
- ▶ **Giant Tiger gift cards**
- ▶ **Shoppers Drug Mart gift cards**
- ▶ **Tim Hortons gift certificates**

You can contact Lucia Kraayenbrink or Patti Metayer if you have any questions.

Happy Birthday to you!

Mrs. Lammers
 September 4th



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, September 6	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park
Friday, September 7	12:00 - 12:15 p.m.	Cross Country Practice
Monday, September 10	12:00 - 12:15 p.m.	Cross Country Practice
Tuesday, September 11	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park
Wednesday, September 12	12:00 - 12:15 p.m.	Cross Country Practice
Thursday, September 13	3:30 - 5:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park Board Meeting
Friday, September 14	12:00 - 12:15 p.m.	Cross Country Practice
Tuesday, September 18	7:15 p.m.	Education Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 19		Meet the Teacher Night
Thursday, September 27		Hotdog Day – Grade 5-6 bring snacks

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS:

Grade 1 and 2:

Welcome back, Grade ½! I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer vacation.

Memory Verse: (due Friday, September 14)

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31

Please make sure to check your child's planner everyday! Important information will be sent home in the front pocket of the planner.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Grade 3 and 4:

Welcome back everyone! I look forward to getting to know everyone and I think we will have a great year together. If you ever have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or send me an email.

I will be giving out a social studies project within the next few days. It will be due September 18th.

Spelling: Test on September 14th.

1. size
2. during
3. touch
4. team

5. taste
6. trying
7. calf
8. swing
9. canvas
10. stick
11. because
12. could
13. back
14. denim
15. retake
16. lake
17. rack
18. dim
19. trim
20. snake

Memory Work: Due September 14th.

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Grade 5 and 6:

Welcome back to a brand new year!

Please make sure that you have a white t-shirt and proper bottoms for phys.ed. During the fall, we will be having phys.ed. class every Tuesday and Thursday. When we start going to the gym, it will be every Tuesday.

Parents, if you have any questions about

any curriculum, student behaviour, etc., don't hesitate to give me a call or write me a note.

Unit One Bible projects will be given out later this week. The project will be due next Wednesday.

Memory work due next Friday is Isaiah 40:30 - 31.

Spelling dictation will be on Friday, Sept. 21st. Grade 5's are expected to know the first 25 words; Grade 6's are to know the first 28 words. All other words on the list are bonus words to earn extra marks! Spelling words are:

1. youth
2. weary
3. stumble
4. faint
5. biome
6. ecology
7. ecosystem
8. climate
9. biotic
10. abiotic
11. eagles
12. walk
13. Isaiah
14. strength
15. crude
16. territory
17. lifestyle
18. community
19. courtesy
20. one
21. their
22. colour
23. when
24. who
25. until
- *26. biosphere
- *27. individual
- *28. detrivore
- **29. population
- **30. characteristics

Grade 7 and 8: – Term One Week One Announcements:

**Welcome back to a new school year! Please ensure that all student have proper gym clothes. We will be having gym class every Tuesday from 10:50 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

beginning next week!

** Parents, if you have any questions about any curriculum, student behaviour, etc., don't hesitate to give one of the Grade 7-8 teachers a call or write them a note using the student booklet.

Monday –

- Student Booklet Journal is due. The Topic is – What did you do during the summer?
- Home reading: please aim to read about 100 pages a week

Wednesday –

- Spelling Sentences

Friday –

- Spelling test
- Memory verse

Spelling List:

1. decision
2. irritable
3. triangular
4. examination
5. adequate
6. squatted
7. slippage
8. imperceptible
9. inclination
10. precariously
11. protective
12. secluded
13. persuade
14. grimaced
15. barricaded
16. provocative
17. consciously
18. impulse
19. indentation
20. impaling

Memory Verse:

29 He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

30 Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;

Isaiah 40:29-30