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Newsline #8

Principal's Message

Greetings WCS,

We are coming to that time of year when the staff begins to think about what we will be doing for our Christmas Program. Yes, I know, it is hard to switch our thinking to that time of the year when the air is so warm and in some ways it still feels like summer. None the less, as a staff we have needed to change our thought processes to that area.

We have selected a script that includes acting parts and songs to be sung by a choir. The name of the Christmas drama is called "In the Fullness of Time", written by Pastor Erick Schuringa and his wife Ruth Ann. They originally wrote it for their church that included parts for both adults and children. After speaking with Mrs. Schuringa, we are free to use the play and to make changes to suit our needs.

The play is about a group of children waiting with their Grandmother for their parents to arrive home. The children are eagerly waiting for them so they can unwrap their gifts. To help pass the time, she told them stories. Each of the stories that are told are about Biblical characters who spent a lot of time waiting for God to deliver a promise that was made. This led to the birth of Christ, pointing out that God had a purpose and plan for humanity since the very beginning. We just need to learn to place our faith in our creator, and let Him unveil His wonderful plans.

The directors of the play will be Mrs.

Medenblik, Miss Loxton and Mr. Alblas. The settings, music, and costumes will be organised by Mrs. VanderEnde, Mrs. Nauta, and Mrs. Vyn. You will notice that there is an additional sheet attached to the Newsline; this is an audition sheet for students in Grades 3-8. All students in Grades 5-8 must audition for parts, even if they are not interested. If there are students in Grades 3-4 who wish to audition, they may. The first block of auditions will take place on November 6th.

All students who do not have acting parts will be singing in the choir. Also, if time allows for it, all actors will be singing in the choir unless they are needed on the stage for a speaking part.

Currently, we are still working on final confirmation as to where the location of the event will be held, but we are hoping to have it on December 14th at 7:00 pm. Needless to say, all the staff is very excited about this play, and I would like to publicly thank Mrs. Nauta for finding this script in an issue of the Reformed Worship Magazine.

As the weeks go by, we will fill you in on more information regarding this play, which may include asking for some donations to help build our sets. Therefore, I would like to thank everyone beforehand for any efforts you gave as we produce this Christmas Drama.

Shalom, Mr. Andy J. Alblas

School News Items

Newsline

It is very important to the staff at WCS that the communication between school and family is reliable; therefore a paper copy of the Newsline will now be sent home to all families. If you prefer to continue viewing it online only, please let Laurie know as soon as possible, as this does save the school some money on paper and copying costs.

Cross Country

The cross country meet is tomorrow, Tuesday, October 23 (rain date is Tuesday, October 30). The event starts at 10 a.m. in Canaterra Park in Sarnia. The bus will leave the school at 9 a.m. The approximate race times are as follows:

Grade 1-2 Girls	-	10:45
Grade 1-2 Boys	-	11:00
Grade 3-4 Girls	-	11:20
Grade 3-4 Boys	-	11:40
Grade 5-6 Girls	-	12:00
Grade 5-6 Boys	-	12:20
Grade 7-8 Girls	-	12:45
Grade 7-8 Boys	-	1:20

Parents are welcome to attend and cheer our students on! Please let Mrs. Medenblik know if you will not be on the bus in the morning. The bus will return on time to make the usual afternoon run.

TRIP

Please return the TRIP permission forms that went home last week. Please call Lucia Kraayenbrink or Laurie Hooyer with any questions.

With the new store opening in Wallaceburg, we are excited to offer **Mark's Work Warehouse** \$25 declining balance gift cards **in stock** at the school, on a trial basis.

We have approximately \$24 in **Country Style** certificates in stock that will expire December 31, 2007. If you buy coffee or donuts at that store, please help us out by purchasing these certificates. Thank you!

School Team Shirts

Our new team shirts will be put to good use at the cross country meet tomorrow; the students are excited to be able to wear them.

We raised \$1300 toward the cost, but still need \$200. If anyone is willing to donate some or all of this amount, please let Erica Lubbers or Laurie Hooyer know. Thank you!

Scholastics Order?

If you would like to purchase something from the October Scholastics, please send in a cheque to Scholastic Canada Ltd. by Wednesday, October 31.

A-Team News

A BIG thank you to everyone who joined in on the fun of Hat & Gum Day!! We were able to raise \$47.50 for Pena de Horeb Christian School in the Dominican Republic. Thank you for your help!

Little Caesar Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 'Little Caesar' fundraiser. We sold 197 pizza kits and were able to make \$985 for our school. A **BIG THANK YOU** to Russell Kraayenbrink who sold 41 kits! We appreciate **everyone's** efforts!

Prayer Corner:

*Please keep **Russell Kraayenbrink** and his family in your prayers. His red and white blood counts are low, and he has gone to London today to receive a blood transfusion. May God give Fred and Val and Russell the strength they need at this time.*

**Happy Birthday
to you!**



Daniel Anderson

October 25

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, October 22	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys & girls
Tuesday, October 23		CDCS Cross Country Meet - rain date Oct 30
	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – girls
Wednesday, October 24	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys
Thursday & Friday, Oct. 25, 26		OCSTA Teacher Convention – no school!
Monday, October 29	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – girls
Tuesday, October 30	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys & girls
Wednesday, October 31		School Picture Day!
	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys
Thursday, November 1		Hotdog Day – Gr. 7-8 bring treats
Monday, November 5	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – girls
Tuesday, November 6	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys & girls
Wednesday, November 7	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys
Monday, November 12	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – girls
Tuesday, November 13		Hot Lunch - Kraft Dinner
	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys & girls
Wednesday, November 14	3:30-5:00	Volleyball Practice – boys
Thursday, November 15		Dental Screening - K, Gr. 4 & by request
Monday, November 19		CDCS Volleyball Tournament

Reminder from the Cleaning Committee:

If you are having someone clean for you, please send your money in on the Wednesday (cost is \$30).
If you are writing a cheque, please leave the name blank, as there are 4 different people who clean.
Contact Nicolina at 350-4739 or Carrie at 628-5891 for more information.

October 19

VANDERSPEK
VYVEY
KRAAYENBRINK, H.
KRAAYENBRINK, G.
ANDERSON

October 26

BULSINK
DEPOOTER
FOSTER
GELLNER
HAVEMAN

November 2

BAISDEN
HEARN
HILL
HOOYER, W & M
KRAAYENBRINK, A & J

Classroom News Items

Joy School AND Kindergarten:

Hotdog Day has been changed to Thursday, November 1. The Joy School children may join us.

There is **no school** on Thursday, October 25 and Friday, October 26 because of Teacher's Convention. There is also **no school** on Tuesday, October 30th. That week there will be school on Wednesday, October 31st (because it is Picture Day for Joy School and Kindergarten) and Thursday, November 1.

Helpers:

Oct. 23	Mrs. Lubbers
Oct. 31	Mrs. Marcotte
Nov. 1	Mrs. McLachlin

Grade 1 and 2:

Our Cross Country Meet will be held this Tuesday! Our class sends best wishes with our runners!

Memory Verse: (due Wednesday, Oct. 24)
Micah 6:8: "He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Grade Two Spelling Words: (spelling test on Friday, **November 2**)

water	climb	walk	turtle
read	relay	race	where

Grade One Spelling Words: (spelling test on Friday, **November 2**)

sit	pin	pan	lap	tall
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Grade 3 and 4:

Cross country meet is this Tuesday. All the best to all our runners!

Gr. 4 Math test ~ Wednesday Oct. 24

Gr. 3/4 Grammar test ~ Wednesday Oct. 24

Spelling: Test on Nov. 2

1. diving
2. giving
3. bless
4. catching
5. sitting
6. making
7. beautiful
8. let's
9. recycle
10. discover
11. thoughts
12. lost

Grade 4 only:

13. awfully
14. softness
15. thoughtfully

Memory Work: Due October 29th

"I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you."

Genesis 17:7

Grade 5 and 6:

There is a quiz for "Vincent the Good" on Monday.

The good copy of your story needs to be put into your writing handbook (in cursive writing) by Tuesday.

POW (Problem of the week) is due on Wednesday for both grades.

Please make sure that forms for posters being submitted to the Legion are back on Wednesday.

There is a science test on the ecology unit on Wednesday.

Memory work for Monday, Oct. 29th (note the change) is Psalm 105:1 - 7.

There will be a Bible test on Unit 3 (Stories of the Ancient World) on Tuesday, Oct. 30th.

Spelling dictation will be next Friday.

Spelling words are:

1. acts
2. wonders
3. earth

4. pronounced
5. purpose
6. blight
7. parasite
8. predator
9. prey
10. competition
11. cultural
12. covenant
13. Babel
14. improper
15. mixed
16. half
17. twelfths
18. sixths
19. fifths
20. another
21. also
22. whether
23. going
24. musician
25. impression
- *26. judgements
- *27. contagious
- *28. cooperation
- **29. preliminaries
- **30. overwhelming

Grade 7 and 8: – Term One Week Eight

Announcements:

Have a great extra long weekend everyone. Please look for the Christmas Play auditions sheet in this week's Newsline!

Monday –

- Student Booklet Journal is due. Topic for this week is -What do we mean when we say, "The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence?" - Due Monday, October 29
- Home reading, please aim to read about 100 pages a week

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%)								
✓	Mark's Work Wearhouse								
✓	No Frills, Zehrs, Superstore (5%)								
✓	Shoppers Drug Mart (5%)								
	Sobeys, Foodland, IGA (5%)								
	Tim Hortons (5%)								

Please indicate if this is a recurring order (attach postdated cheques) Weekly ___ Monthly ___

In the Fullness of Time

– A WCS Christmas Production

Below are sections of our script for our play. Grades 5-8 will be assigned audition times, beginning November 6th. If any Grade 3-4 students wish to sign up for an audition they may do so by asking Mrs. Medenblik.

The following sections will be used in the auditions:

Audition Part 1

Grandmother: You know what they say, all good things come to those who wait. Of course, I don't suppose it helps a bit to hear me say that, now does it? [pause] Listen, why don't I tell you a story to pass the time. Let's see if that helps.

Children: [disappointed] O-kaay.

Grandmother: Let me see now . . . oh, I know just the story. Once upon a time there were these sea-faring folk—well, they weren't really seafaring folk. I mean . . . they hadn't started out that way. I think they started out as farmers, caring for animals, or maybe it was carpentry. Well anyway, one day they had the most incredible experience. . . .

Audition Part 2

Noah: Who are you? Where are you?

Voice of God: I am the Lord God, and I am with you . . . always.

Noah: [collapsing into kneel] What do you want from me?

Voice of God: I want you to build a great big boat.

Noah: Yes Lord. [confused] A big boat? But I don't know anything about boats. And why? Right here? Now?

Voice of God: I have seen the mess people have made of their lives and of the world. It hurts me, Noah. This world could be such a wonderful place. I am going to wash it clean with a flood of water. I am going to start fresh with your family and the animals you take with you in the boat.

Noah: Wow, that sounds exciting, and scary, and risky, and . . . strange.

Voice of God: Trust me, Noah. I will be with you.

Audition Part 3

Abraham: What's the matter, dear?

Sarah: I was just thinking about all those years of hoping to have a baby. The times we thought I might be pregnant. The waiting and wondering. Getting excited, and then getting depressed. It still hurts when I remember. Sometimes I just want to scream: God, why did you give us bodies that can't produce children? Why did you get our hopes up with words of promise? [shakes fist at heaven] Why? Why? Why?

Abraham: [sighs] It has been hard, hasn't it? And yet, something inside me keeps on thinking—maybe we will have a child yet. As crazy as it sounds, I can't get away from that feeling.

Audition Part 4

Child 1: That must have been an awful long wait.

Child 3: Imagine how bad it must have smelled.

Grandmother: But I am sure it was all worth it when they finally opened the door on a clean, fresh world.

Child 2: Great story, but is it time yet?

Child 1: [at window] Look at the snow piling up.

Child 3: I hope it doesn't snow for forty days straight—now that would be a flood.

Child 1: Look how white and clean everything is.

Grandmother: Well, I'm sure the snow will delay things a little. Why don't you gather around for another story?

Child 2: You mean it isn't time yet?

Here is the time table for when and where the auditions take place:

	<i>Thursday November 1st</i>	<i>Tuesday November 6th</i>	<i>Wednesday November 7th</i>
<i>Location</i>	<i>Grade 5/6 room</i>	<i>Grade 5/6 room</i>	<i>Grade 5/6 room</i>
<i>10:30-10:40 a.m.</i>	David, Mike, Cassandra, and Kristal	Derek, Kaitlyn, Alison	Any Grade 3-4 Students
<i>10:40-10:50 a.m.</i>	Andrew, Trevor, Alyssa, and Kayla	Mark, Ty, Katie	Call Backs
<i>Location</i>	<i>Grade 7/8 room</i>	<i>Grade 7/8 room</i>	<i>Grade 7/8 room</i>
<i>12:30-12:40 p.m.</i>	Brad L., Matt, Michele, and Emma	Ryan, Jocelyn, Bradley K.	Call Backs
<i>12:40-12:50 p.m.</i>	Jessica, Hannah, Nicholas, and Joel V.	Josh, Joel H., Krista, and Daniel	Call Backs