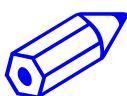




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Newsline 3

Principal's Message

Greetings WCS,

This week's article is going to focus on our new school board. Last week Thursday opened the new season for 2008-2009 from the Board's perspective. It was a time when some very familiar faces retired: Charley Feddes, John Lubbers, and Greg Hill, all of whom have given at least 6 years of service to the board. We thank you for all that you have given to the school, and for keeping the vision of Christian Education alive and well in our community.

Once the old members were excused, it was time to elect our new executive. After much talk and discussion, here are the results and positions that our new Board will play:

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| Chair | – Mr. Bernard Kraayenbrink |
| Vice Chair | – Mr. Don Martin |
| Secretary | – Mr. Chad McLachlin |
| Treasurer | – Mr. Justin Luth |
| Education Committee Rep | – Mrs. Sue Anderson |
| Finance Committee | – Mr. Justin Luth / Mr. Jeff DePooter |
| Fundraising Committee Rep
and Cleaning Committee Rep | – Mrs. Patti Metayer |
| Promotion Committee Rep | – Mr. Matt Riedl / Mr. Don Martin |
| Transportation Committee Rep | – Mr. Jeff DePooter |

Though the meeting was somewhat longer than normal, the night was very productive with many ideas and goals being generated. One of the more exciting discussions was based upon **VISION**. The Board agreed that it was time to look ahead into the future and create a map for what they want to accomplish over the next 4 years, as we head toward our 50th anniversary.

One definition of vision is a brief statement indicating the growth and renewal a group wishes to experience. A vision statement is *future oriented*. It is *more than a dream*, it should *stir our passion* and *come out of our giftings*, which is *bigger than who we are*.

The Board has commissioned a task force to be organized, gather data, and report back to them. This task force will be led by Mr. Don Martin. The first meeting will be on **Wednesday, September 24th from 7-9 p.m.**, with a 2nd and 3rd planned for October 15 and 20. Therefore, we are asking for anyone who is interested in visioning to attend this special 2 hour session where we hope to gain an insight from the parents and community on the future of WCS and how it will prosper over the next 4 years. The board seeks the will of God and desires for our members to take ownership of this endeavour.

If you are interested, please contact the school to let us know you will attend. Mr. Martin will provide free Tim Horton's coffee. May you prayerfully consider voicing your ideas at this meeting, and may God bless you all with a wonderful week.

Shalom,
Mr. Andy J. Alblas

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS:

Soccer

Soccer practice will be held this Tuesday and Thursday at Glen Mickel Park from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. We will continue with practices until our tournament on Monday, September 29th.

New School Year Packages

Thank you for returning these envelopes so promptly. The information is being recorded and the 2008-09 directories will be sent home this week.

A-Team

Welcome to a new year! To get things rolling this year, we would like to start off with a Thanksgiving Food Drive (yes, it is quickly approaching!!). The non-perishable items that we gather will be again donated to First Baptist Church to be handed out where Pastor Horrobin is aware of the need. Please send items to school with your child(ren) by the 8th of October. Thank you!

Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP)

A revised order form is attached to this Newline. We encourage **EVERYONE** to get involved with this wonderful fundraiser, whether you use it for tuition reduction or not.

Gift cards and certificates are available from the school, Stekelbos on Dufferin Avenue, Lucia Kraayenbrink and Patti Metayer.

If you have any questions, please call Lucia. **Thank you for your support!**

Music Class – Grade 7 and 8

If you have acoustic guitars that we are able to use, please bring to them to school any time. We are looking for 10 in all.

From the Fundraising Committee

Our first fundraiser of the school year! We are selling 'Little Caesar Kits' again this year. Everyone really liked them and we made lots of money for our school. Top sellers will receive a 'free' pepperoni pizza kit, and if each family can sell 5 or more kits we'll treat the students to a 'free' pizza party! Orders need to be in to the school by October 6 along with payment – cheques can be made out to the school. The delivery date will be October 20 and pizza kits can be picked up between 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. The pizza kits will need to be refrigerated as soon as possible. Thanks to everyone as you help to support our school!

Scholastics

Scholastics were handed out last week. If you would like to purchase a book, DVD, or CD-ROMs, please return order form and cheque (payable to Scholastic Canada Ltd. – NO CASH PLEASE) by Tuesday, September 30.

Class Pizza Party

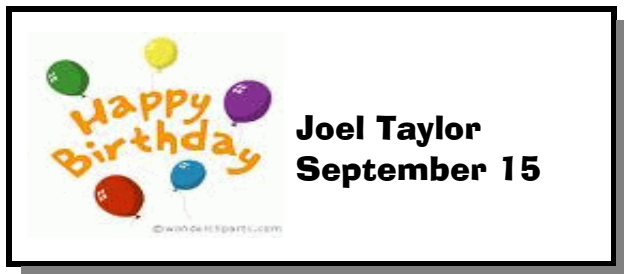
Chatham Daily News is having a contest for a class to win a pizza party from Original 2 Pizzas. All you have to do is email them at contests@chathamdailynews.ca. In the subject line put "My Teacher" and email them your name, your teacher's name, grade and school. Only one vote per student. Draw date is September 30, 2008.

Accelerated Reading

We are hosting an Ice Cream Sundae Party in June for those students who have reached their Accelerated Reader (AR) goals. Each month students from Grade 1 to Grade 8 will set AR goals. If they reach their goal, they will earn a part of their ice cream sundae. Altogether there are nine possible goals to reach. The first goal is due October 15. Please continue to remind your children to read their AR books at home.

TOYS at SCHOOL

It has been noted that many of our students are bringing different toys to school to play with outside or to show their friends. Although we want to encourage our students to share their interests with others, these toys are becoming a distraction at school and are, at times, dangerous. Therefore, we ask that students keep all their special toys at home unless a teacher has granted the ok for a special activity. Thank-you for your cooperation.



Reminder from the Cleaning Committee:

If you are having someone clean for you, please send your money in on the Wednesday (cost is \$35).
If you are writing a cheque, please leave the name blank, as there are 4 different people who clean.
Contact Patti at 519-627-5228 for more information.

September 19

GELLNER
HAVEMAN
HILL
KRAAYENBRINK, Bernard
KRAAYENBRINK, Fred

September 26

KRAAYENBRINK, Henk
KRAAYENBRINK, Jim
KRAAYENBRINK, Lorraine
LUTH, Garrett
LUTH, Geoff

October 3

MALOTT
MARTIN
MCLACHLIN
MCLAUGHLIN
METAYER

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, September 16	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park
Thursday, September 18	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park
Tuesday, September 23	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park
Thursday, September 25		Hotdog Day – Grade 7-8 and SK bring snacks
	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice at Glen Mickel Park
Monday, September 29		CDCS Soccer Tournament

**Protocol for Cross-Country Running Teams
Wallaceburg Christian School
Fall 2008**

Dear Parents,

I have been looking forward to the cross-country running season all summer and it has arrived! That being said, I wanted to put out a letter to you this year so we have a mutual understanding of the protocol for this team. I basically love all sports, but running has always been my passion, so I am particularly interested in this sport.

In past years I have been limited in the number of athletes that I have been allowed to have on the team. This was a rule handed down from the Chatham District of Christian Schools. It meant that in certain years I was forced to cut some runners because I simply had too many in a particular age division. However, in the past 3 years, this rule has been relaxed and we are now allowed to put as many runners in as we like. This 'blessing', though, has worked against us in some ways, hence the reason for this letter.

The vast majority of kids competing do so because they want to be a part of the team. They are willing to work hard in the daily workouts and do their best for the sake of the whole team. Certain others, however, do not have the same work ethic. In the past few years I have been somewhat plagued by some students who slack off and refuse to listen to the coach's instructions. This will not be tolerated this year! Such behaviour is a poor example to the other children, as well as taxing on the morale of the team. Each child is encouraged and complimented, but if simple guidelines are not followed, I will be forced to make cuts.

A period of "grace" will be given in the first week, with ample warnings. I want to create an atmosphere that is conducive to both enjoyment and skill development. Refusing to listen to the coach, and/or sponsor teacher, simply does not promote team unity. Honestly, I am not expecting problems, yet I felt I should alert you to how things will be handled so that we don't run the risk of hurt feelings due to misunderstanding. I truly love the kids and working with them is a delight for me. I am expecting a good season again this year.

Don't hesitate to call me if you have any concerns. My office number is (519)627-6414.

God bless you!

Coach Brian

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS:

Junior Kindergarten:

Junior Kindergarten is having fun looking at bugs - crickets are plentiful in the school yard. If you have any bugs mounted that you would be willing to share with JK, let Mrs. Bokma know.

Today, Monday, we shared things that started with the letter Bb. Mrs. Bokma shared pictures of her children as babies. On Wednesday we will be having a **RED DAY**.

The weekly blog started last week - take a look at the website under Communication - Junior Kindergarten – we hope to post Art work and such.

Grade 1 and 2:

Math – P.O.W. (Problem of the Week homework) due this Friday.

Memory Verse – due September 26

Genesis 28:15a, “I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land.”

Spelling Words (Grade 2) – Test this Friday

our
ground
around
now
cloud
fine
other
face

Grade 3 and 4:

Fridge Facts - Please be sure to keep this on the fridge or in a very visual place. Use this as a reminder of the activities going on in our classroom during the week. The Newline will contain the spelling words each week.

Homework Books - Please be sure to check and **initial homework books each night**. This continues to serve as a great communication

device between school and home.

Grade 3 & 4 Blog - I have added a little information to our class blog. I am hoping to be adding some classroom pictures and student work in the near future. Be sure to check it out for updates.

A.R. Goal Sheets: Individual Student A.R. Goal sheets are coming home today. Please be sure to review these. We will be using the ice cream sundae as the year end rewards again. The first month goal is to be made by October 15.

Lesson 2 Spelling Words: (Test on Friday)

Grade 3 & 4

good-bye
speller
silly
asleep
pal
gospel
deep
tried
noise
hurdle
sees
peace
countries
climate
subject
changed
bar
fork
germs
tip

Grade 4 only (Grade 3 may do these as bonus words)

changing
peaceful
silliest
noisier
noisily

Grade 5 and 6:

Memory Work: due Sept. 26

“Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Ephesians 6:14-17

Spelling Grade 5

1. believes
2. playground
3. recesses
4. language
5. neither
6. secret
7. receive
8. journey
9. thief
10. valley
11. history
12. probably
13. chalks
14. certain
15. beach
16. breeze
17. chief
18. cleaner
19. creature
20. needle

Challenge:

21. historical
22. chiefs
23. uncertainly
24. probability
25. thieves

Spelling Grade 6

1. observe
2. patio
3. practising
4. ripe
5. equipment

6. frost
 7. sore
 8. central
 9. wealthy
 10. testament
 11. finished
 12. events
 13. investigate
 14. garages
 15. raft
 16. melt
 17. September
 18. bulbs
 19. cabinet
 20. forward
- #### **Challenge:**
21. observation
 22. stipulate
 23. wealthier
 24. investment
 25. controlling

Spelling Spectrum - Unit 2 is due on Friday (pg. 10-13)

Grade 7 and 8:

Journals: The first journal is due Monday, September 22. The topic for the journal is: Write a short story about a pet you had or have.

History: Essay – “Does Champlain deserve to be called the father of New France?” – 5 typed page, 5 paragraphs

Memory Verse: 14Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.

Ephesians 6:14-15

Spelling: Test Friday September 19

1. mechanics
2. instinctively
3. frequency
4. utilized

- 5.dynamics
- 6.unaffected
- 7.vibrations
- 8.dubious
- 9.sensory
- 10.mosquito
- 11.mechanism
- 12.accessory

- 13.auditory
- 14.compassionate
- 15.indication
- 16.occasionally
- 17.superior
- 18.cancellation
- 19.tsunami
- 20.dilemma

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

Name: _____

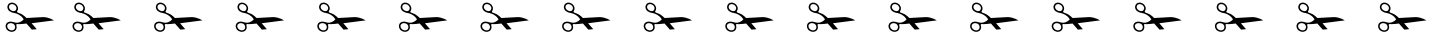
Cheque #: _____

Declining Balance Gift card	RETAILER	\$50	\$100	\$500	\$250	\$200	\$25				
✓	Blockbuster Video 7%										
✓	Canadian Tire 4%										
✓	Cara Restaurants (Harveys, Swiss Chalet, Kelseys, Montana) 3%										
	Country Style 10%										
	Crabby Joe's (W'burg only) 50%										
✓	Giant Tiger 10%										
✓	Gospel Text Bookstore 20%										
✓	Mark's Work Wearhouse 10%										
✓	No Frills, Zehrs, Superstore 5%										
✓	PharmaPlus 5%										
✓	Shoppers Drug Mart 5%										
	Sobeys, Foodland, IGA (paper) 5%										
✓	Sobeys only cards 5%										
	Tim Hortons 5%										
✓	Winners 7%										

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

Weekly ___ Monthly ___

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WCS Community Challenge

Please send in this form to the school office when you have completed service hours.

Date: _____ **Hours of service:** _____

Description: _____

Parent Signature

