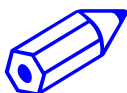




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Newsline 9

Principal's Message

Greetings, WCS:

Have you ever noticed how fast life seems to be at times? We are living in a changing world that seems to be moving at exponential speed. Technology is developed at speeds we would never have imagined in our youth.

I came across a website while attending one of my conferences last week that made me think. The location is, <http://shifthappens.wikispaces.com> When you visit the site you will be able to find links to presentations that were created around 2 years ago by educators, in which they talk about how fast our world is growing and changing.

I found it interesting and disturbing to see the speed of changes that are being predicted for the next 20 years. I believe we as Christians should be watching these types of presentations. I am a fan of change, but one always need to have a discerning heart while testing it with scripture and prayer.

We at WCS are undergoing a period of Visioning and planning for the future. We need to be listening attentively to what God is calling us to do. How does he want us to improve upon the quality of Christian Education over the next 5 to 10 years? How will we continue to offer the best possible education for our students for a future that may have jobs that have not even been created yet? What type of profile do we want our graduates to exhibit as

they enter the world beyond our walls? These are all good questions that in time need to be answered. Change is coming and happening, but how we handle it is done through thoughtful, reflective discernment. At what speed do we move? Never too fast, but not ignoring it either, we will do this together.

Needless to say the 3 days away, listening to various speakers, was very enriching and thought-provoking. I am sure over this next week, the staff of WCS will have much to say about what was presented to us. Our staff is always committed to improving our skills and offering updated educational experiences for your children. That is part of the calling we love so much.

If you wish to make a response regarding the direction of Christian Education, I encourage you to attend our final Vision meeting this Wednesday, October 29th. We want to hear your ideas.

As for what is happening at our school lately, I encourage you to visit our website. New photos are uploaded weekly from the many events in which we take part. If your password doesn't seem to be working, please contact Laurie and she will be happy to help you.

May you all have a blessed week as you continue to pray for our students and staff; we count on them.

Shalom, Mr. Andy J. Alblas

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS:

Scholastics

If you wish to order this month, please return the order form and cheque (payable to Scholastic Canada Ltd.) by Friday, October 31st. Thank you!

Hotdog Day

Hotdog Day is this Thursday, October 30. Grade 5-6 are asked to bring healthy snacks to sell.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

As many of you know, Anita Lubbers is being treated for breast cancer, and in honour of her and the family, we would like to take this opportunity to celebrate. Thursday, October 30 is Hotdog Day at the school and we would like to **invite everyone to come on out to the school that day**. We will be selling pink cupcakes, as well as many other cool "pink treats" **We also want to encourage all the students and staff and those dropping by to remember to wear pink. If pink isn't your colour then red is great too.**

All the proceeds from "pink treats" will go to The Cancer Society or Bras for the Cause. So come on out and lend your support.

Prayer Requests

- † **Sue Anderson** (Daniel - Grade 3) has been diagnosed with CLL (Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia); she is not undergoing treatments at this time and is in a waiting stage. Please pray for God's healing.
- † Our condolences to the **Martin family**, (Elijah - 1, Jesse & Jordan - JK) with the passing away of Susan Beth's mother last week. May God strengthen them during this time of grief.

WCS's Challenge (To help our Veterans)

The school community has been challenged to do a lot of community service hours. Well here is another spin to the challenge. Attached to this Newline you will

find a letter written by Pastor Brian Horrobin. He is attempting to raise money for our veterans, and is planning to run from the Dresden Legion to the Wallaceburg Legion in hopes of raising \$39,500. He has asked that we, as a school, partner with him in his project. He and his wife began the goal by putting up the first \$100. He is asking that all schools in our area come up with \$300. For more details, please read the attached letter. Please prayerfully consider sending in money with your child for this cause by November 21st. Thanks, Mr. Alblas

School Team Shirts

Please remember to clean and return your team shirts as soon as possible. They need to be handed into a staff member. Thank you.

Blue Hoodies with School Logo

We have had several requests for the royal blue school hoodies that were available last year. In order to submit an order, we need a minimum of 10 requests. They are available in child and adult sizes. If you are interested, please contact Laurie in the office by Friday, November 7. The cost would be approximately \$25.

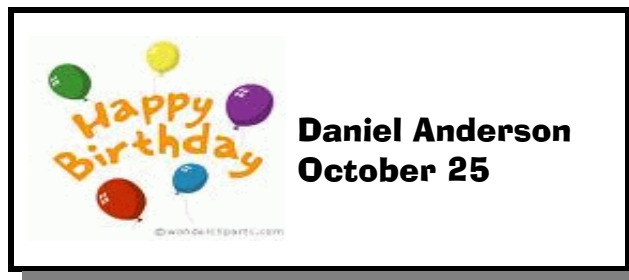
TRIP

We have discovered recently that Giant Tiger in Wallaceburg is closing on December 5. We would like to remind everyone to use up any gift cards they have (although you can still use them in Chatham or Sarnia). If you plan on shopping there before they close, please consider buying a gift certificate so that we can use up our stock. They are available from the school, Stekelbos and Patti Metayer. Thank you!

PATMOS COLLEGE hosts "THAI DINNER"

Patmos College invites you to experience a culinary adventure all the way from Thailand, a land renowned for its incredible food. The dates for this event are Friday and Saturday nights, November 28 and 29. Seating is limited to 25 persons per night. Cost is \$95.00 per person and you will receive a charitable donation

receipt for \$70.00. To make reservations call Brenda Bron at 519-542-3435 ext. 226. Thanks for your support.



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.

October 31

KRAAYENBRINK, F & V
 KRAAYENBRINK, H & J
 KRAAYENBRINK, J & L
 KRAAYENBRINK, L
 LUTH, G & W

November 7

LUTH, G & A
 MALOTT
 MARTIN
 MCLACHLIN
 MCLAUGHLIN

November 14

METAYER
 KRAAYENBRINK, Herman
 MEYER
 PASTOOR
 PIETENS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, October 27	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – girls
Tuesday, October 28	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys and girls
Wednesday, October 29		JK Hotdog Day
	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys
	7:00 p.m.	Vision Meeting
Thursday, October 30		Hotdog Day – Gr. 5-6 bring treats
Friday, October 31		School Picture Day
		Kindergarten Class Trip to Mooretown
Monday, November 3	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – girls
Tuesday, November 4	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys and girls
Wednesday, November 5	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys
Monday, November 10	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – girls
Tuesday, November 11	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys and girls
Wednesday, November 12	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys
Thursday, November 13	7:30 p.m.	Board Meeting
Monday, November 17	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys and girls
Tuesday, November 18	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice – boys and girls
Friday, November 21		P. D. Day – no school
Saturday, November 22		CDCS Volleyball Tournament in Chatham
Tuesday, November 25	7:30 p.m.	WCS Fall Society Meeting

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS:

Junior Kindergarten

Junior Kindergarten will be enjoying a **MESSY WEDNESDAY** this week as well as Hotdog Day. We will be cleaning out our pumpkins and then decorating them. We still need two parent volunteers, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Picture Day – Don't forget **Friday October 31st** from 9:30 -10:30 a.m. JK will be getting their pictures taken.

November is **Transportation Month** in Junior Kindergarten; look for more information to go home on Wednesday.

Junior Kindergarten needs some plastic grocery bags. Just leave them in the classroom if you have some extra ones at home.

Kindergarten

The letter this week is **Cc**. The alphabet pal is Carol Cat. The bible verse is "Create in me a clean heart, O God." Psalm 51:10 Please pray for the people in Chad. Snack is provided by Adam.

Please collect 5 leaves, press them and bring them to school on Tuesday, October 28.

Hot Dog Day is on Thursday, October 30th.

Picture Day is Friday, October 31. We will be going to Mooretown Museum after our pictures are taken. Please send in \$4 to cover the cost of the presentation on Apples. We will be taking the bus.

Sight words: the (please practice reading this word). Please take a few minutes to listen to your child read the booklet "The Park".

Grade 1 and 2:

** Please check your child's planner pocket to see our weekly class planner sheet.

Thursday: This Thursday we will be having a French assessment on colours and numbers one through five.

Friday: This Friday we will be having a Bible test on our "Patriarchs" unit. The review sheet will be sent home this Monday.

Memory Verse (due November 7th):

Psalm 100:5

"For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations."

**Please continue to review this verse with verses 1 - 4. The students will be reciting all five verses on November 7th.*

Grade One:

Spelling Test on **Friday, October 31st**

hot not
top cat
and

Word Wall Words (**these will also be on the spelling test**):

by who
up

Grade Two:

Spelling Test on **Friday, October 31st**

draw each
lamb walk
team race
remember

Word Wall Words (**these will also be on the spelling test**):

by who
up that
they

*Congratulations to last week's P.O.W. winners:
Gr. 1 – Daniel Kraayenbrink
Gr. 2 – Celia Baisden

Grade 3 and 4:

*****NEW***** Fridge Facts is now ONLINE. Go to www.wallaceburgchristianschool.com and then "Communication" and then to Grade 3 & 4. Please put a note in your child's homework book if you still want me to send home a paper form of this.

Health: We will be starting a new health unit this week on Healthy Habits. **Please send in a healthy snack recipe with your child/ren by Friday.** We will be compiling a class book of our

favourite healthy snack recipes. This book will be sent home with each child so they can try some of these recipes out with their families at home.

There will also be a worksheet sent home today for your child to record all that they eat in 24 hours. It is **due on Wednesday**.

Guided Reading: There will be a **test on Thursday** on the stories from our first theme. Your child/ren will be able to bring home their text book for studying purposes. Please have them reread each of the stories/poems from **Theme 1**. Watch for a list of vocabulary review words that will be sent home to use as a study guide as well.

Math: POW and Homework sheets sent home today are **due next Monday, November 3**. Also **Grade 4 will have a math quiz** on rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000 on Wednesday.

Bible: Memory Work - **Psalm 27:7-10 due Friday November 7**.

Spelling Lesson 7 - Test on Friday.

Grade 3 & 4 Words

hang
dig
thoughts
bless
honk
November
salt
making
sitting
scared
diving
giving
awfully
catching
lost
sang
song
gun
purple
soft

Grade 4 Words (Grade 3 bonus words)

blessedness
thoughtlessly
thoughtfully
gunpowder
softness

Grade 5 and 6:

Hotdog Day – Please send a healthy snack/baked goods with your son/daughter this Thursday (Oct. 30th) for our hotdog day. Thank you.

Picture Day - This Friday! A portrait flyer was handed out last week. Please fill out and return on or before Friday.

Assembly - Friday at 3:00. Grade 5/6 will be hosting an assembly on the Reformation. All are welcome to attend.

Memory Work: due October 31

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honour. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Psalm 8

Spelling test - October 31

Spelling Spectrum - Unit 7 is due on the 31st

Spelling Grade 5

- | | |
|-------------|----------------|
| 1. month | 2. seventh |
| 3. calendar | 4. pail |
| 5. congress | 6. rid |
| 7. spread | 8. solid |
| 9. narrow | 10. unfaithful |
| 11. lap | 12. lumber |

- 13. mining
- 15. sooner
- 17. signal
- 19. jolly
- 21. equivalent
- 23. foreign
- 25. accompany
- 14. steam
- 16. tablet
- 18. costume
- 20. uncage
- 22. altitude
- 24. reference

Spelling Grade 6

- 1. lock
- 3. smile
- 5. kangaroo
- 7. guide
- 9. polite
- 11. ninth
- 13. searched
- 15. downtown
- 17. stress
- 19. worry
- 21. multiplication
- 23. division
- 25. subtraction
- 2. invite
- 4. eagle
- 6. highways
- 8. height
- 10. merry-go-round
- 12. blind
- 14. marry
- 16. multiply
- 18. smashed
- 20. flies
- 22. development
- 24. European

Grade 7 and 8: Term One, Week Nine

Journals: The journal is due Monday, November 3. The topic is: "If you could spend an afternoon with one member of your extended family, who would it be? Tell why you chose this person and tell what you do together."

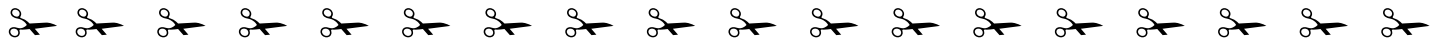
History: There will be a Test on Wednesday

Memory Verse: 1 In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the Desert of Judea 2 and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near. 3 This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: "A voice of one calling in the desert, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'" **Matthew 3:1-3**

Spelling~ Test Friday October 31

- 1. modest
- 3. reserved
- 5. understated
- 7. exuberant
- 9. generalizations
- 11. republic
- 13. constitutional
- 15. monarchy
- 17. settlement
- 19. frontier
- 2. independently
- 4. authority
- 6. individualistic
- 8. auspices
- 10. occurred
- 12. compliant
- 14. communal
- 16. resemble
- 18. societies
- 20. colonies

Spelling booklet 6 - due Friday, Oct. 17



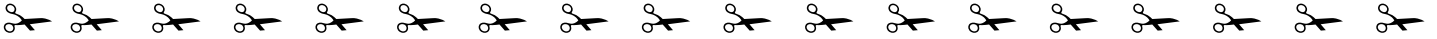
WCS Community Challenge

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

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

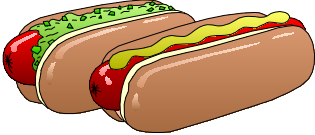
Description: _____

_____ **(Parent Signature)**



HOTDOG DAY

Thursday, October 30



1 hotdog = \$1

Student:

Classroom:

of hotdogs:

Please attach exact change to this form and return to the school office before Thursday , October 30.