



November 9, 2009

Newsline 10

Principal's Message

Greetings, WCS:

For those that were able to come out to the Bazaar on Saturday, you would have found a very elegant arrangement of home made items, along with very yummy food. It was great to hear Christmas music playing in the background and see the hallways lined with trees. From the couple of photos below, you can see people were having lots of fun. I was amazed at how many people showed up that I had not seen before. These opportunities to build community is so important, so I thank you Patti, Gen, Sue, Susan Beth, Eileen, and the many others who gave up their time to set-up and tear down when the event was over. If you read through the Newsline this week, you will find approximate earnings from our Bazaar; praise God for blessing our school!

This past week, the teachers met at our monthly staff meeting. One of the topics was to choose our next round of "Principals for the Day". For the month

of November, we are pleased to extend congratulations to Nate Highfield (Grade 1) and Bradley Kraayenbrink (Grade 7). These two boys will take over the duties of the principal tomorrow afternoon. I am really looking forward to working with them, and seeing what advice they have for me to improve the running of this school.

Lastly, please expect your **Fall Membership Package** to go home by the end of this week. It is imperative that you attend, as well as the many other society members; the board will be looking for you to vote on a number of items.

I also encourage you to re-read last week's article, because I had asked all parents to have a conversation with their children regarding our sub-theme for November and December. As a staff, we eagerly awaiting to hear how this turned out. May you all have a blessed week! Shalom,
Mr. Andy J. Alblas



SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

IMPORTANT – Student Health Issues

In order to keep the school as healthy an environment as possible, we ask that you **keep your children home from school if they have a fever**. Once the fever has broken, **please wait 24 hours** before sending them back to school. Also, when notifying the school that your child is ill, please let us know their symptoms, especially a fever. Thank you.

Christmas in the Country Bazaar

Thank you to all for donations and participation in the Bazaar on Saturday, and helping to make it a success! We were able to raise approximately \$8,700 for our school! A **BIG thank you** to all the many volunteers who gave so much time and energy to organize the day; you are greatly appreciated.

Poinsettias for Christmas!!

Don't forget to keep selling poinsettias! Ask family and friends if they would like a beautiful flower shop quality poinsettia to decorate their homes for the holidays! Orders need to be in to the school **by this Wednesday, Nov.11** and the poinsettias will be available for pick up on Friday, December 4. Thanks to everyone for helping with this fundraiser!

6" poinsettia \$10 (red only)
10" poinsettia \$20 (red or white)

Hot Meal Day!

Our Hot Meal Day is this coming Thursday, November 12! We are offering a meal that includes Kraft dinner, spider hotdog, chocolate or white milk and a surprise treat, all for just **\$2.50!** An order form is in this Newline.

Newsline for November 16

All announcements for next week's Newsline must be submitted to the office by this Friday, November 13.

Office Hours Change

Next week, Laurie will be in the office on Thursday, November 19 and Friday, November 20.

A-Team:

The A-Team is planning a **Wacky Hair and Backwards Day** for next Thursday, November 19. Get creative with a crazy 'do' and wear everything backwards that day!

We will also be starting a **Penny Drive** that will run for one month (from now until Friday, December 11). Send in your pennies (or small change) to support the Langevelds and Wycliffe Bible Translators! Pennies can be submitted to Mrs. Groendyk in the Resource Room.

TRIP – Christmas orders

See the special order form at the end of this Newline. Orders must be returned before December 1 (earlier is better!).

Scholastics

If you would like to purchase an item, please return order form(s) and a cheque payable to Scholastic Canada Ltd by Thursday, November 19. Thank you

Volunteer Opportunity

We are looking for a volunteer to help out with the pop can fundraiser. The job would entail putting the donated pop cans into larger bags as needed, and taking them to the recycling centre in Wallaceburg, once or twice a year. Please contact the office if you can help us in this way.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, November 9	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - girls
Tuesday, November 10	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - boys
Wednesday, November 11		School Assembly - Grade 5-6
	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - girls & boys
Thursday, November 12		Hot Lunch – Kraft Dinner/spider hotdogs
	7:30 p.m.	Board Meeting
Monday, November 16	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - girls
Tuesday, November 17	8:45 - 12:15	Gr. 8 Day at CCHS
	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - boys
Wednesday, November 18	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - girls & boys
Friday, November 20		P.D. Day – no school
Monday, November 23	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - girls
Tuesday, November 24	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - boys
Wednesday, November 25		JK Hotdog Day
	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Volleyball Practice - girls & boys
	7:30 p.m.	Fall Membership Meeting
Thursday, November 26		Hotdog Day (Gr. 3-4, SK to bring snacks)
Friday, November 27		“The Hungry Caterpillar” Class Trip
Monday, November 30		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 \$35).

If you are writing a cheque, please leave the name blank, as there are 4 different people who clean.

Please note: Families are asked not to clean on Sundays. Thank you.

Contact Sue at 519-627-7586 or Janet at 519-626-9616 for more information.

November 13

ARNOLD
CARRON
DEPOOTER, Jeff
DEPOOTER, Kevin
FOSTER

November 20

GELLNER
GOODREAU
HAVEMAN
HIGHFIELD
HILL

November 27

KRAAYENBRINK, Bernard
KRAAYENBRINK, Brian
KRAAYENBRINK, Fred
KRAAYENBRINK, Henk
KRAAYENBRINK, Jim

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS

Junior Kindergarten

We have been learning about different types of transportation this month. The students are enjoying the taped car mat we made on the carpet. Soon there will be an airplane. Today's signal was a train whistle. So cool! I am still looking for snowshoes and skies for the end of

the month. Anyone have some to show and share?

We also just finished our Bible unit on Joseph. Look for the colourful coats to come home today. On Wednesday, we will be taking part in the Remembrance Day assembly at school. We have been making individual cards

for some veterans. The students are trying to understand why we would make a card for someone we don't know; this is just the beginning of learning to do for others.

The students are resting a bit more lately, probably due to all the cold viruses going around. Please send extra drinks or water bottles so that we can stay hydrated.

Please note: The JK class will be changed from Monday, November 30 to Friday, December 4.

Blessings, Mrs. Bokma

Senior Kindergarten

The letter this week is **Ee**. The alphabet pal is Emily Elephant. The Bible character is Elijah. The Bible verse is "Exalt the Lord." Please pray for the people in Ethiopia. Snack is provided by: Danielle.

Hot lunch is this Thursday, November 12.

The Kindergarten class will be changed from Friday, November 13 to Friday, November 27. I would like to take the class to see a presentation of Eric Carle - The Hungry Caterpillar. I will send more information later.

Assessing students on Wednesday,
November 11: 12:00 Sydney
1:00 Abi
2:00 Alec

Grade 1 and 2:

Tuesday: ✓Gym Class

Thursday: ☉ Hot Lunch Day

Friday: ✎ Spelling Test

Grade 5 and 6:

Memory Work: "In Flanders Field"-first verse due Tuesday.

Spelling Activities due Friday: 2, 17, 19

Math POW due Friday

Christmas play: Please get your lines memorized. Practices are on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at lunch this week.

Grade 7 and 8: Term 1 Week 10

High School Visits: There is a Grade 8 visiting day at Chatham Christian High School from 8:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m, on Tuesday, November 17. We are looking for a driver to take the students there and back. Please contact the school if this a possibility for you.

Homework:

Memory Verse:

Bible: We have finished reading our book, and now the students are going to be working on a writing assignment related to the book.

Math: Review on Tuesday, Test on Wednesday for Grade 7 and 8. On Thursday we will begin a new unit called Patterns and Relations
Grade 7 will be doing pages 17-18, 19 / 22-23, 26-27
Grade 8 will be doing pages 3, 4-5, 11 / 13, 14, 16

History: We are to celebrate the end of our Ancient civilization unit this week by having a special Greek/Roman meal on Wednesday. Each child has been assign to bring in an item:

Bread – Alison, David, and Katie

Cheese – Joel T

Meat – Nicholas and Joel H

Olive Oil – Alison

Fruit – Brad K and Brad L

Grape Juice – Katie and Krista

A salad – Sarah

The students are also encouraged to dress-up as a Greek or Roman for this special feast. If you have any questions, please ask.

Geography: The November package was given out last week and it is due on December 1

Music/Techology: The students are selecting a song in which they are creating a power point presentation that highlights the themes of the song.

PE: We are working on our Volleyball skills

during the month of November.

Language Arts:

**Spelling- Spelling Sentences due
Wednesday, Test on Friday**

- tournament
- disappointment
- burglar
- diameter
- entertainment
- experiment
- obedient
- survey
- congratulations
- bargain
- battery
- exceed
- electronics
- payable
- muscle
- muscular
- triangle
- circulation
- laughter
- cycle

Decisions – We will be wrapping up our study of the short story this week and will have our **unit test** next Thursday Nov. 19.

French: This week we begin a new unit of French, which will take us right up to Christmas time. In this unit we will study more irregular verb conjugations and vocabulary associated with rhythm and music.

Science: We continue our discussion of why it is important for Christians to study the universe and what it reveals to us about God.

Art: We are currently working on Remembrance Day art posters which show a remembrance with a Canadian theme. These posters will be entered in the contest held by the Royal Canadian Legion. They will be submitted to our local branch and winners have a chance of having their pieces displayed in the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa, or at Parliament Hill.



**HOT MEAL DAY!
Thursday, November 12**

**Kraft Dinner, spider hotdog, white or chocolate milk,
and a surprise treat = \$2.50**

Student	Grade

Please attach exact change to this form and return to the school office **by 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 12.**