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Newsline 12

Principal's Message

Greetings WCS,

It certainly has been trying times at WCS for the past number of weeks. At one point, we had 18% of the students missing due to being sick, and last week Monday three of our teachers were sick as well. Hopefully, this week will bring a turn around in the health of everyone. We are a community, and we miss each other when there are absences.

As you should all be aware, the big high for this coming week is our **Fall Membership Meeting, on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.** You should have received your packages with your voting cards. The board is strongly encouraging everyone to attend, for there are matters to be voted upon regarding budget and student recruitment.

Our founding members had a dream of Christian Education which has been with us for almost 50 years. This is a dream that will continue, with the support of all our members. When you look at the budget, you may be thinking what are we to do, but this is the not first time our school has faced trying times. Currently, one of our members is translating old Dutch Board minutes from before the school began in the late 1950's, and they too faced situations as we do, yet they pushed forward with the dream. They knew sometimes we just

have to work a little harder. Basically the number one reason our budget is the way it is today, is because we lost a number of families this summer that we were not counting on. So our sustainability rests in recruiting more families, and that is why the Board has been busy coming up with a plan. Again, I urge you all to come out and show your support.

There were a couple of highlights last week. One was on Monday when the students came to school to discover that our school had a new sign erected. I have taken a picture of it at night to show our impressive it is. It took about a year to make this happen, and we praised God that this dream is now a reality.



The other main event was Wacky Hair Day on Thursday. A couple of our students took some photos, which will appear on the website soon, but for the time being here is just one of them.

May you all have a blessed week; the season of Advent is fast approaching and we are reminded once again that God loved us so much that He sent His one and only Son to save us all.

Shalom,
Mr. Andy J. Alblas



SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

Bus / Morning Drop Off Changes!!!

Due to the volleyball tournament on Monday, November 30, there are some changes to the buses, and morning drop off times.

Grades 5-8 will be going to the tournament; those not on the team will cheer us on. They need to be at the school **by 8:10 a.m.** to catch the bus to Chatham. They will return to the school in time for the afternoon bus runs.

The Dresden bus will be **cancelled for the morning run only**; all Dresden bus students will need to be driven in for 8:45 a.m. The Port Lambton bus will run as normal. Both buses afternoon runs will be as normal.

TRIP News

Don't forget our special Holiday Order Form for your Christmas shopping and gift giving! Please return the orders to the school or Lucia Kraayenbrink by next week **Tuesday, December 1** to ensure delivery well before Christmas. Call us if you have any questions. This is a great way to boost your tuition reduction for next year!

School Pictures

Please return all order forms, whether or not you are purchasing pictures, to school by **Wednesday, November 25**. Thank you. Retake date is December 2.

Hotdog Day!

Don't forget it's Hotdog Day this coming Thursday! Chocolate and white milk will be

available, and we'll have our usual snack table. Thank you to all the families who send in snacks to help make our Hotdog Days a success! We will also have **kapows** available for \$1 each.

JK Class

The JK Class will be enjoying a Kraft dinner & spider hotdog day this coming Wednesday! Their meal will include Kraft dinner, spider hotdog, juice box and surprise treaty bag. No forms need to be sent in and the cost has already been covered. Please contact Mrs. Bokma if you have any questions.

Volleyball Fun Afternoon

The volleyball team and their parents are invited to a Volleyball Fun Afternoon with the staff on Tuesday, December 1 from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. at the Wallaceburg CRC gym.

A-Team:

We are starting to collect toys for the Salvation Army **Toy Drive**. Toys can be brought to the school for donation to local families in need until Friday, December 11. Any toys donated after this day will be used in the following year. The donation box will be in the center of the main hallway, across from the water fountains.

We will continue our **Penny Drive** that will run 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.

Christmas Program

We have begun gathering costumes for our Christmas play. The following is a list of needed costumes or costume pieces. The students will be dressed in "typical Sunday school play" fashion. If you are willing to lend us any of these items, please email Mrs. Matheson at jmatheson@wallaceburgchristianschool.com or call her at the school. Thank you.

- Angel wings, halos and white dresses
- Various robes and head coverings for shepherds and innkeepers
- barn animal costumes, especially sheep (to fit grade five students)
- Shepherd staffs
- Wisemen costumes including crowns, robes and jewels
- Female plain dresses/robes for Mary, etc., with shawls or head covers.
- two roman soldier costumes

Poinsettias

Thank you to everyone for ordering poinsettias! The orders have been sent in and they will be arriving for **pick up at our school on December 4**. Thanks again to everyone for participating in this fundraiser!

To All Cleaners

In order to access the janitor's room, you will find the key on the coat rack in the staff washroom.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

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	3:30 - 5:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	JK Hotdog Day Volleyball Practice - girls & boys
Thursday, November 26		Fall Membership Meeting
Friday, November 27		Hotdog Day (Gr. 3-4, SK to bring snacks)
Monday, November 30		Report Cards come home
Tuesday, December 1	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	CDCS Volleyball Tournament in Chatham Volleyball Fun Afternoon for team members, their family and staff at Wallaceburg CRC
Wednesday, December 2	9:00 a.m.	Picture Retake Day
Thursday, December 10		Board Meeting
Friday, December 11		Christmas Program at Bethel Pentecostal
Friday, December 18	12:30-2:30 p.m.	School Skate at Wallaceburg Arena – all are welcome!
December 21 - January 1		Christmas Holidays!

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 27

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

December 4

KRAAYENBRINK, L
LUBBERS
LUTH, G & W
LUTH, G & A
MARTIN

December 11

MCLACHLIN
METAYER
DEPOOTER, John
KRAAYENBRINK, Evert
KRAAYENBRINK, Gordon

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS

Junior Kindergarten

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

Senior Kindergarten

The letter this week is **Gg**. the alphabet pal is Gary Goose. The Bible character is Goliath. The Bible verse is "God is love." 1 John 4:8 Please pray for the people in Greece. The snack will be brought by Jordan.

Hotdog Day is on Thursday, November 26. Please bring in a snack to sell.

Please return your pictures to school by Wednesday, November 25; if you are purchasing a package, please remember to attach payment.

Sight words are: is a here an

The booklet "The Lunch" will be sent home. Please take the time to let your child read it to you.

Grade 1 and 2:

Monday: See class newsletter

Tuesday: Gym Class

Wednesday: Math **Problem of the Week** due
School Pictures Order Forms due

Thursday: **Hotdog Day**

Friday: Spelling Test

Grade 5 and 6:

See our classroom newsletter for more information.

Spelling Activities due Friday - 13, 21, 24

Please work to get your lines memorized.

Grade 7 and 8: Term 2 Week 2

Next week many of the students in Grades 5-8 will be involved in a Volleyball Tournament. The entire classes will go to the tournament, and any student not on the team is to cheer us on.

Homework and Unit Overviews:

Memory Verse: 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

John 1:1-3

Bible: This week we will begin a new unit in Bible called: "Who is This?" Please expect the students to come home with worksheets each day. The amount to finish depends on how well they work in class.

Math: Grade 7 Math

This week they will be doing pages: 54-55 / 58-59, 62-63 / 68, 74, 76 / 77-78, 79 / 83, 85-86

Grade 8 Math

The week they will be doing pages: 40, 43, 45 / 49, 55-56 / 60-61 / 64-65 / 76-78

History: This week we will be learning:

† Who's in Charge? (Chapter 5)

† Charlemagne: Rise to Power and Accomplishments (Chapters 6-9) and worksheets 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4

† Who's Who in the Middle Ages

Language Arts:

Spelling- Test on Thursday

- astrolabe
- astronomy
- cluster
- constellation
- elliptical
- galaxy
- irregular
- sequence
- nebula
- refracting
- reflecting
- satellite
- spiral
- supernova
- universe
- white dwarf
- angular
- telescope
- neutron
- orbit
- fasten

Drama: We have finished our study of short stories and now move on to our study of drama. This unit will take us to the Christmas break. In this unit we will study the different aspects of drama, and we will have lots of active participation activities.

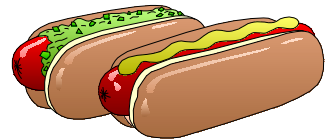
French: In our current French unit we are studying the imperative form of verbs, more irregular verb conjugations and some vocabulary associated with rhythm and music.

Science: By the end of this week we will have finished our study of the universe. Next Thursday, December 3 we will have our **unit test**. After this students will begin independent projects on different topics related to the study of the universe.

Art: This Friday in art, every student will need to have their own working black marker. Most students have one at school, but a lot are running dry. In order to do this week's art assignment, everyone will need a black marker that is new or in fairly new condition. Thanks.



HOTDOG DAY
Thursday, November 26



1 hotdog = \$1

Student:

Classroom:

of hotdogs:

Please attach exact change to this form and return to the school office **before Thursday , November 26 at 10:00 a.m.**