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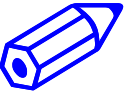
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Newsline 13

Principal's Message

Greetings WCS,

Last week we had our membership meeting, which I am very pleased to report that 77% of our parents attended. We also had many non-parents members attend as well. One of the greatest things about our school is that it is a community of involved and interested members. We heard about the challenge our school faces financially, but I would like to stress the points again that I raised in the meeting:

1. We are not imprisoned by our circumstances, our setbacks, our history, our mistakes, or even staggering defeats along the way. We are freed by our choices.
2. Never give in. Be willing to change tactics, but never give up on our core purpose.
3. Great organizations keep clear the differences between their core values (which never change) and operating strategies and cultural practices (which endlessly adapt to a changing world).

We need to keep our vision and purpose in front of us as we go forward as a school in our community. If you haven't looked at our vision statement in a while, take the time to view it once again on our website. Jim Sorenson, a motivational speaker, once said, "A vision without action is a called a daydream;

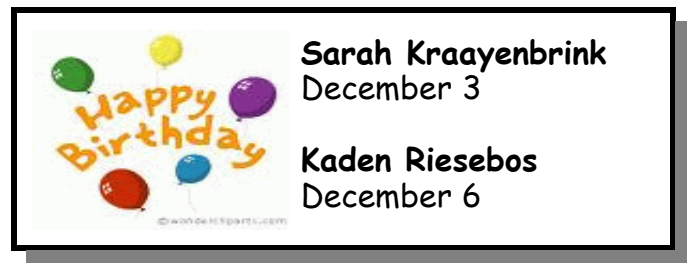
but then again, action without a vision is called a nightmare." We have made amazing strides in the past number of years as an organization, and we have done it together. Each person in this community has an opportunity to get involved and to make a difference in the lives of our children.

Never be afraid to share an idea you may have. In the past we have used the ideas of parents to allow for trees to be planted at our school; we have also cleaned up an empty lot as just one small way to show our community that we care. These ideas are wonderful, and I am so thankful that people step forward, and then want to become involved in the process of making education meaningful and real to our students. So let your ideas be heard, or partner with teachers as you show a particular talent you may have that would help enhance the educational experience of our students.

To end, I would like to list again the top 10 indicators of a flourishing school that I mentioned in my address on Wednesday.

- † High quality teachers
- † Principal with leadership skills
- † Administrative team works harmoniously
- † Parents are involved in student learning
- † School environment is secure,

- orderly, caring and respectful
- † High student achievements expectations
- † Student engagement in school leadership
- † Recognition of excellence – all stakeholders
- † Innovative (no-core) programs
- † Communication and community involvement



Shalom,
Mr. Andy J. Alblas

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

Volleyball Fun Afternoon

Remember – on Tuesday, December 1 after school there will be one more volleyball game for our teams, which includes: Boys vs. Girls, Players vs. Parents, Players vs. Teachers, and Teachers vs. Parents. This takes place from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. at the Wallaceburg CRC gym.

Also, please wash the team shirts and bring them back to Mr. Alblas or Mrs. Groendyk by Thursday, December 3.

School Pictures Retakes

The retake date is December 2.

TRIP News

Don't forget our special **Holiday Order Form** for your Christmas shopping and gift giving! Please return these special orders to the school or Lucia Kraayenbrink no later than **Wednesday, December 2** 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!

Reminder: All our regular in-stock cards/certificates are still available as usual from Laurie at the school, Lucia Kraayenbrink, Stekelbos Watch Repair on Dufferin, Susan Beth Martin. Both order forms are at the end of this Newline.

Poinsettias!

The orders will be arriving for **pick up at our school on Friday, December 4**. They should be available after 12 noon; if anything changes we will send out an email. Thanks again to everyone for participating in this fundraiser!

Report Cards

Report cards were sent home last Friday. If you did not receive them, please contact us immediately. They are yours to keep; we do not need them returned to the school. Thank you.

A-Team:

We are collecting 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 the following year. Donations can be brought to Mrs. Groendyk in the resource room.

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

School Skating

The dates for our school skating afternoons are Friday, December 18 and Friday, February 12. The cost for both dates is \$8 total/family. Please send it to the office as soon as possible. Thanks!

Scholastics

....will be handed out on Tuesday. Please return order form and cheque payable to Scholastics Canada Ltd. no later than Tuesday, Dec 8.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, November 30

Tuesday, December 1

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 2

9:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 10

Friday, December 11

Friday, December 18

12:30-2:30 p.m.

December 21 - January 1

CDCS Volleyball Tournament in Chatham
Volleyball Fun Afternoon for team members, their family and staff at Wallaceburg CRC

Picture Retake Day

Hot Lunch Day

Board Meeting

Christmas Program at Bethel Pentecostal

School Skate at Wallaceburg Arena – all are welcome!

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.

December 4

KRAAYENBRINK, L

LUBBERS

LUTH, G & W

LUTH, G & A

MARTIN

December 11

MCLACHLIN

METAYER

DEPOOTER, John

KRAAYENBRINK, Evert

KRAAYENBRINK, Gordon

December 18

KRAAYENBRINK, Herman

PASTOOR

PIETENS

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RIESEBOS

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS

Senior Kindergarten

The letter this week is **Hh** The alphabet pal is Holly Horse. The Bible character is Hannah. The Bible verse is "Hate evil and love good." Amos 5:15 Please pray for the people in Haiti. Snack is provided by: Mikey.

Grade 1 and 2:

Monday: See class newsletter

Tuesday: Gym Class

Friday: Spelling Test
Memory Work due

Grade 5 and 6:

- Spelling Activities - 10, 14, 27 due Friday
- Outstanding Projects – due Monday (see classroom newsletter for details.)
- Math POW due Friday.
- Recorders begin Wednesday.

Grade 7 and 8: Term 2 Week 3

Homework and Unit Overviews:

Memory Verse: 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. 6 There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. John 1:4-6

Math:

Grade 7 Math This week they will be doing pages: 98, 99-100 / 107-109 / 115, 124, 126 / 127-128, 131-134

Grade 8 Math The week they will be doing pages: 82-83, 86 / 88-89, 94, 100 / 102-104, 110 / 117-118, 121-122

History: This week we will be learning:

- The Church: The Centre of Life? (Chapter 13, WS 6-1)
- Monastic Life (Chapter 14, 15, 16 and WS 7-1)
- Saved by the Sword (WS 8-4)

Language Arts: Spelling- Test on Thursday

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Drama/Writing Along with our study of Drama, we will also be learning how to write plays. For **this Friday**, every student will need to bring in a favourite children's book from home so that we can begin adapting it into play form.

French: We will finish up our French unit this week and begin reviewing for our **unit test**, which will be next Tuesday, December 8. The test will focus on new vocabulary learned, the imperative and negative form of verbs, and the irregular verbs vouloir and pouvoir.

Science: This Thursday, December 3rd we will have our **unit test**. Students will be given review sheets and we will study for this test in class throughout the week.

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.



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 4%								
✓	Cara Restaurants (Harveys, Swiss Chalet, Kelseys, Montana) 3%								
	Country Style 10%								
	Crabby Joe's (W'burg only) 25%								
✓	Gospel Text Bookstore 10%								
✓	Home Hardware 4%								
✓	Mark's Work Wearhouse 7%								
✓	M&M Meat Shops 5%								
✓	No Frills, Zehrs, Superstore 5%								
✓	PharmaPlus 5%								
✓	Shoppers Drug Mart 5%								
	Sobeys, Foodland, IGA (paper) 5%								
✓	Sobeys only cards 5%								
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✓	Tim Hortons 5%								

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

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