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Newsline 19

Principal's Message

Dear Parents of Wallaceburg Christian School,

Eight years ago I entered this community in the capacity of the Grade 7-8 teacher. It was a decision that allowed me to move back to Canada after having lived in Indonesia for 5 years, in order that I may be closer to family as they were undergoing a number of transitions. Since that time, my brother has become a pastor at Cedar Springs CRC, MI and was married. My sister finished her schooling and became a RPN, and later was married as well. My dad has moved into the retirement phase of his life, and became busier than he would have imagined. My mom took up the call to become the Outreach coordinator at Cross Point CRC in Brampton.

During my eight years at WCS, I have moved from the Grade 7-8 teacher in to a VP role and then the Principal. Through each of these phases, God has blessed me by providing a wonderful supportive community of parents, society members, and fellow teachers from whom I have grown both professionally and spiritually. Each year that I have been at this school, I have seen many joys and, at times, challenges, yet God has always been there each step of the way. This I trust will continue in the years ahead.

With that in mind, it is with a mixture of excitement and sadness that I compose this next section. Late last week I gave my letter of resignation to the WCS Board and have accepted a position as the head principal of Thunder Bay Christian School for the 2012-2013 school year.

Wallaceburg Christian School will forever be a part of who I am, for your faith in me and the chance you have given me to learn and grow in this profession are well beyond what I ever imagined. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and the Wallaceburg/Dresden community in Christian Education. As you look for another person to lead this school into your 52nd year, I pray the Lord will give everyone involved the wisdom and insight that leads to many more years of Christian Education in the Wallaceburg and Dresden areas. We all serve a Great God! I will miss you and I ask for your prayers as I journey through the days ahead.

Serving Christ in Christian Education,
Andy Alblas

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

Open House and Registration - 2012-2013

We will be having an Open House and Registration this week Thursday, **February 2, 2012**, from 1-4 p.m., and 7-8 p.m., for anyone interested in coming to our school next year. **Please pass this date along to friends and family**; our best promotion is by word of mouth!

For those **current families who have children starting school for the first time**, we require forms to be filled out; please contact Laurie if you wish to have a package sent home rather than attend on this day.

From the Transportation Committee

There has been some damage to the seats in the buses by students. **Please talk to your child(ren) about the importance of treating school property with respect.** There may be some consequences to the damages

ATTENTION!!! It is very important that parents send in a note whenever the normal bussing arrangements change, such as their child will not be riding the bus, or when there are extra students on the bus, e.g. birthday party. Thank you!

Choir Performance

The choir will be singing at the Faith Baptist Church in Wallaceburg on February 5 at 2:30 p.m. The choir members need to be there at 2:15 p.m. Thank you.

Popcorn Fundraiser!

Our popcorn fundraiser is back! Popcorn is a healthy snack most of us have in our homes. Thompson's popcorn is very tasty! We encourage you to sell to your family & friends. Order forms are due back into the school office **by Thursday, February 9th** and the popcorn will be delivered to the school **on Friday, February 17th**. Thank you to everyone for participating!

Thank you!!

The Fundraising Ladies would like to thank Deb Moelker and Janet Riesebos for helping out with last week's Hotdog Day; we really

appreciated your help!

Scholastic

Scholastic flyers are being sent home today. Any orders must be returned by Tuesday, February 28, along with a cheque payable to Scholastic Canada. Thank you.

KD Cloth Fundraiser

These popular cleaning cloths are \$6 each and payment is expected when you pick them up; they are available from Laurie in the school office. You can also order them through Lucia Kraayenbrink.

Please either return the sample unused that was sent home several weeks ago for you to try, or send in \$3 for this first cloth. Thank you.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Evan Pastoor	January 30
Sam Pastoor	January 30
Connor Lubbers	February 1

Cleaning Schedule:

February 3	-	MacDonald
February 10	-	Benn
February 17	-	Druer

Please switch with someone if you cannot do it as scheduled. Also, please respect our school's testimony and do not clean on Sundays. Thank you.

Basketball Tournament 2012

The Basketball teams from Wallaceburg had an outstanding day last Friday at the tournament in Chatham. We placed 5th in the tournament but played with great sportsmanship and effort. Our teams competed exceptionally well in the underdog position and gave it their best. When you are defeated often, you can lose heart but our teams played as hard as they could. Plenty of encouragement was shouted across the court by teammates, coaches and parents. The referees were encouraging and fair, and it was great to be able to use the facility at Chatham. In both of the girls and boys final games, they rallied and put in an excellent performance, with the girls defeating the Sarnia team. Excitement was very high in both matches. The boys played an outstanding game with aggressive play and superior defence. All played with great sportsmanship.

Joyce Haveman took many pictures of the event, capturing it for all of us to enjoy at future promotional events. Many thanks go to the coaches, Mr. Charron and Mrs. Groendyk, for their effort and encouragement to our teams. Thank you both for your time and commitment in developing our young athletes. We can be proud of our students.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, February 2	1-4 p.m.; 7-8 p.m.
Sunday, February 5	2 p.m.
February 6 - 10	12:30-1:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 9	7:00 p.m.
Monday, February 13	7:00 p.m.
Friday, February 17	1-3 p.m.
Monday, February 20	
Thursday, February 23	
Friday, February 24	
Thursday, March 1	
Tuesday, March 6	
Thursday, March 8	7:00 p.m.
March 12 - 19	
March 20	

Open House & Registration - 2012-13
Choir Performance @ Faith Baptist
Week of Prayer – everyone welcome to meet in Grade 7-8 room for prayer
Hot Lunch – Lasagna
Board Meeting
Education Committee Meeting
School Skating – all welcome
Family Day – no school
Classroom Assembly
Hotdog Day (Grade 7-8 to bring treats)
P. A. Day – no school
Report Cards
Hot Snack – Donut & hot chocolate
CK Health Unit – Big Crunch!
Board Meeting
MARCH BREAK – no school
First day back from March Break

CLASSROOM NEWS

Junior & Senior Kindergarten

The letter this week is **N n**. The alphabet pal is Nancy Nightingale. The Bible character is Noah. The Bible verse is "No one can serve two masters." Matthew 6:24 Please pray for the people in New Zealand. Snack is provided by Erin.

Watch for the JK / SK newsletter on Thursday, February 2.

WALLACEBURG CHRISTIAN SCHOOL – IN STOCK Gift Card Order Form

Name: _____ Cheque #: _____

RETAILER	\$5	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$50	\$100	\$250	\$ Total
Canadian Tire 4%								
Bon Appetit (Harveys, Swiss Chalet, Kelseys, Montana) 3%								
Gospel Text Bookstore 10%								
Home Hardware 4%								
Mark's Work Wearhouse 6%								
M&M Meat Shops 5%								
No Frills, Zehrs, Superstore 5%								
Shoppers Drug Mart 5%								
Sobeys / Foodland cards 5%								
Subway 4%								
Tim Hortons 5%								
Walmart 2%								

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