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Monday,
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UPCOMING EVENTS

1 Corinthians 3:10,11
“Building with Care”
Theme Verse 2018-2019

Building With Care

Last week’s Theme Week gave us opportunity to focus our theme on “building character”. The building spirit was evident given the many students who appreciated the construction “dress up” activity. Students also had time to work together and contribute to a school-wide display showcasing the various “building blocks” of character. The display hangs in the front lobby of the school - be sure to give it a look.

Edu Deo - with Thanks

Our Theme Week activities included the school-wide sloppy joe lunch last Wednesday. Students ate lunch together in the gym; grade eight students did a fine job of serving and cleaning up. A special thank you to the Zekvelds for donating the apples and to Mrs. Angela Moesker for the excellent preparation of the sloppy joe filling. The lunch raised a generous \$437 for Edu Deo.

Remembrance Day

Our Remembrance Day chapel is on Friday, November 9 at 9:15 am. We encourage you to join us.

Tuesday, November 6

Dental Screening

Wednesday, November 7

Vision and Dental Screening SK
Education Committee Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday, November 8

JK and Picture Re-take Day

Friday, November 9

Remembrance Day Assembly 9:15am

Wednesday, November 14

Pizza Day

Thursday, November 15

Information Evening

Under One Sun Fundraising Order Due

Friday, November 16

PD Day

School Choir Singing at Sting Game

Monday, November 19

Chapel

Wednesday, November 21

Report Cards

Thursday, November 22

Time for Talents

Dental Screening

The Lambton Health Unit comes on Tuesday for their dental screening program. They will start with JK students and do as many students throughout the school as they can on that day.

Dental and Vision Screening

The Health Unit returns on Wednesday to do dental screening for SK students. They will also do vision checks of SK students.

Meetings

Education Committee meets on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Sarnia Sting Game Choir

On Friday, November 16th, a choir from grades four through eight will perform the national anthem at the Sarnia Sting hockey game. We look forward to this wonderful opportunity to represent our school and enjoy a game together! We have a few spots left in our choir! Parents, please contact the school before 11am tomorrow if you would like your child to participate. Choir members will receive a complimentary ticket, and children must be accompanied by an adult. Discounted tickets for JKCS families are \$12/student and \$18/adult. Thanks for your support for this exciting event!

Under One Sun Fundraiser

So many beautiful pieces of art! Which ones to choose? A number of the art pieces are on display in the office if you want to take a look at them before you order. You can place your order by sending in the order form or you may order online this year. All orders need to be in by Thursday, November 15. If you have any questions you can contact Joy Bouma.

PD Day

Next week Friday will be a PD Day. Staff will have a PD session as well as use the time to work on report cards and prepare for parent / teacher meetings.

Time for Talents

Calling all singers, musicians, actors, jugglers, hula hoopers and performers of all kinds! Our Time for Talents auditions will take place on November 5-7. We encourage students to use the P.D. days to plan something special for this exciting event! Student artwork completed at home will also be on display, so if you have a special photography collection, Lego design, painting or fabric work, bring it in on November 20.

Poinsettias

Once again, we have partnered up with Huron Ridge Greenhouses. Our eager grade eight students are excited to sell you a variety of Poinsettias and winter greens in preparation for the Christmas season. The money raised goes to the Grade eight grad fund and associated costs. Deadline for orders is Thursday, November 15th. Poinsettia delivery date is Friday, November 30th.

Lawn and Yard Maintenance Tender

The JKCS Building Committee is accepting tenders for the lawn & yard maintenance position at the school. This is a three year contract. An updated job description is available at the school office. The closing date for this tender is Friday, November 23, 2018 at 12:00pm. Bids can be submitted to the JKCS office. For more information please contact the school office or the Building Committee Chair, Renold Beintema.



Principals for the Day
Jacob and Lily Greydanus giving morning
announcements over the PA System.

Classroom News

KINDERSTART

Mrs. Robinson

Juggle jiffy Ji joyfully!

Memory Work: Joshua 1:8 & 9

Bible: Moses

Wednesday Snack: Eli

Thursday Snack: Kaden

All About Me! We have begun our "All About Me" unit and have been marvelling at the amazing way that God has created us as unique individuals. Don't forget to bring your baby picture to school this week. We will have some fun as we try to match the baby pictures with KinderStart students. We will also continue to complete pages for our special "All About Me" books.

**Students are being assessed in the areas of math and phonemic awareness during the next two weeks. This would be an excellent time to practise counting and letter recognition at home. (JK students are learning the letters in their name).

Classroom News

GRADE 1

Mrs. Lisson

Bible: Students are putting an excellent effort into completing a map or photo album about the life of Joseph. There will be a quiz on Joseph, Wednesday November 7. Our memory work is all of Psalm 100 (ESV).

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.*

Math: Our new unit is on addition and subtraction with numbers to 20. This week we will use pictures and objects to solve word problems.

Word Work: The spelling words for Friday's quiz are: **sit, his, him, fix, with, and will**. Our sight words for this week are **want** and **then**.

Creation Studies: In our new unit we will study mapping. This week's lessons will be on direction words and creating a picture from a bird's eye view. Look for a footprint paper to come home today in your child's planner. This homework should be handed in by the end of the week.

Book Bags: Please return the book bags by Thursday so that a new book can be sent home.

Speaking Allowed Aloud: Students will have some class time to practice their poems. A reminder that students should be ready to present on November 15 or 19.

Classroom News

GRADE 2

Mrs. DeGroot/Mrs. Noorloos

Memory Work: Malachi 3:1 due on Friday, November 15. Malachi 3:1 -

“Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.”

Spelling: Spelling test on Friday November 9.

Spelling words: the, that, them, day, may, made, was, of, if, a.

Math: Math test on Thursday, November 15. The concepts on the test and a study worksheet will go home Tuesday, November 13.

Writing: We are almost finished writing our Personal Narratives. This week we are learning to write friendly letters. We will be writing letters to Pen Pals!

Reading: We are learning how to read words we don't know by using various strategies that have an animal associated with it to remind us of what it is. So far we have learned Eagle Eye, reminding us to say the first sound of the word and look at the picture to help us.

Science: This week we are starting our new unit on Simple Machines. There will be lots of exciting things to learn and explore.

Art: Last week students learned how shading creates depth in a picture. This week we hope to do some painting.

Classroom News

GRADE 3

Mrs. Bouma/Mrs. Hoogland

Poems: We look forward to hearing everybody's poem on Tuesday! They should be memorized and ready to present for tomorrow morning.

Spelling: We are on Lesson Eight this week. Spelling lists are coming home tonight with our test on Friday.

Reading: We have read Chapters One and Two of *Sarah, Plain and Tall* already and hope to read the next two chapters this week. We are eager to learn more about the main characters Anna and Caleb and look forward to meeting Sarah as she comes to visit them in Chapter Three. Will she like them? Will she stay?

Math: We will be putting numbers in numerical order and comparing numbers using the signs $<$, $>$, or $=$.

Music: We have reviewed our note beats and learned our note names so we are excited to start the Handbells on Wednesday! On Fridays we will continue to learn music theory - music rests are next.

French: We are finishing up Unité C this week and will have our next test on Friday. Review sheets are going home today. Our test will cover all of our vocabulary this year.

Bible: We are looking at prayer this week. Our memory work is The Lord's

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.*

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Social Studies: We will be looking at Canada's Beautiful Water this week. Children will learn the names of the Great Lakes and the oceans that border Canada, as well as Hudson Bay and the St. Lawrence River.

Classroom News

GRADE 4 AND 5

Mr. de Schiffert

Math: We'll be continuing our Data Management unit. There will be another short quiz on Thursday to check understanding. It's important to keep up with class work. If you have extra time after school, IXL is an excellent resource to help hone your skills. It can be accessed on phone, tablet, laptop, and computer!

Bible: We'll be finishing up our unit on the "Last Days of Judah". There will be a Bible test next week, with a review handed out on Friday.

Social Studies: We'll be having a quiz on the types of government (federal, provincial, and municipal) and the terms we've covered thus far on Thursday, November 8.

Spelling: Grade Four: blush, crutch, crunch, grumpy, much, umpire, uncle, none, does, fuel, cute, cubicle, human, future, usual, uniform, used, beautiful.

Spelling: Grade Five: gloomy, school, choose, loose, route, clue, truth, duty, ruin, Tuesday, usually, threw, understood, neighbourhood, rookie, could, should, bulletin.

Memory Work: This week we will be learning two more verses (11 and 12) to add to our memory work from last week. The full passage this week is Psalm 103:8-12: *"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us."*

Music: We'll be having a recorder refresher to start the week and will be learning different pieces as we go. Students are encouraged to practice at home, as they will be tested on the pieces done in class.

Classroom News

GRADE 6

Mrs. Tetreault

Math: This week we'll continue our study of measurement with a look at perimeter. Some students may need to review converting between metric units at home (i.e. 200 km = _____ m). IXL has some excellent exercises for practice.

Music: Students will have an opportunity to earn belts again this Thursday. I will require a playing test from the few students who have not yet passed a belt this year. Students are welcome to drop down a level and try for a different song to gain confidence and build momentum for their musical studies. Remember that the bulk of your practice time should be at home.

Social Studies: Grade six students are hard at work on their Ancient Greece projects. We hope to wrap up report writing in class this week and put finishing touches and a possible art component together next week. Students must keep track of their rough point-form notes as well as their bibliography and drafts for their final mark. We are honing our research skills along with general project organization, planning, and bibliography-writing skills in preparation for the upcoming History Fair.

Art: Remembrance Day posters are on the schedule for this week. Ancient Greek pottery work is due this Thursday.

This Week:

Wednesday: Short stories due

Thursday: Ancient Greek Pottery work; Spelling lesson due; speech draft due

Friday: Memory Work; Spelling test

Mr. Boersma

Memory Work: This is the week to stretch that memory muscle - we're going for perfect scores to know all the books of the Old Testament. Friday's the day!

Writing: There are a number of writing activities on the go; they're all designed to boost writing competence. Class time will be set aside for them. They include:

- 1) Short stories. They are due this Wednesday, November 7.
- 2) Drafts of the speech are due on Thursday, November 8.
- 3) Students will be working on Remembrance Day poems and short essays. They're due next Thursday, November 15.

Reading: Fitting in with our Remembrance Day readings and videos, we continue with our novel, *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry. Students will need to keep up with chapter questions; whatever is not completed during class time requires homework. Quizzes on the story so far will be given on Wednesday and Friday.

History Fair: The next step in the History Fair journey involves research and information gathering. This will be written out in progress report #1 which is due on November 14. This is an easy, but important step. Once completed, students move on to the heart of the project, which is progress report #2.

TTK: We introduce TTK# 6 which deals with Remembrance Day topics.

Mrs. VanDenAssem

Spelling: Lesson Eight is due on Thursday. The test is on Friday. Your "word guarantee" is everybody.

Classroom News

GRADE 7 & 8

Mr. Eisen

Bake Sale: Thanks to all those who contributed to our bake sale at the Fall Membership Meeting last Thursday. Thank you to Julia Boelens and Jacob Sipkens for setting up and overseeing the table.

HISTORY FAIR: Please remember the following dates, which have been set for the early stages of our History Fair:

Progress Report 1: Next Wednesday, November 14th

Progress Report 2: Friday, December 14th

Remembrance Day: Students in grades seven & eight will be creating posters and writing poems and essays in honour of Remembrance Day. These items are due next Wednesday, November 14th.

Bible: We will conclude our first unit with a test on our key questions next Thursday, November 15th.

Memory Work: NO memory work for tomorrow. Next Tuesday's passage comes from Galatians 5:13-14.

Math: Group Story problems are due this Thursday, November 8th.

Grade Seven French: We will have a Vocab quiz on Unité 2 tomorrow.

Literature: Our second quiz on chapters four through nine of *The Hobbit* will take place tomorrow. We will have a vocab quiz on chapters 10-17 next Tuesday, November 13th.

Book Reports: Our book reports for first term are due this Friday, November 9th.

Speaking Aloud: Written speeches are due next Wednesday, November 14th. Speeches will be recited in class the following week.

French Grade Eight: Verb quiz this week on passe compose with -er, -ir and -re verbs.

JKCS Grocery Vouchers:

Voucher sales take place every Thursday from **1:30 –2:30 p.m.** in the **Front Entrance.**

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____ DATE: _____

NO FRILLS/SUPERSTORE/INDEPENDENT _____ x \$50.00 _____ x \$100.00 _____ x \$250.00

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FOODLAND _____ X \$50.00 _____ x \$100.00 _____ x \$250.00

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TIM HORTONS _____ x \$10.00 _____ X \$20.00 _____ x \$50.00 _____ x \$100.00

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****All Vouchers Subject to Availability****

CHEQUE TOTAL \$ _____ or CASH TOTAL \$ _____

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: J.K.C.S. VOUCHERS
