



Galatians 5:22-23a

“Growing Roots and Bearing Fruit”

Theme Verse 2024-2025

Welcome to A New School Year!

Our 2024-2025 theme is: **Growing Roots, Bearing Fruit** based on Galatians 5:22-23, “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.” Our hope is to encourage our students to form deep roots of faith so that, with the help of the Holy Spirit, they can bear good fruit! This morning we began our school year in praise to God, and learned about the importance of our connection with Christ from Pastor Rafik Kamel.

Knox Talks

Our weekly news publication, the *Knox Talks*, will be emailed every Monday afternoon and posted on the school website and Facebook page. Please let the school office know if you would prefer to receive a paper copy.

Information Packages

Please complete and return the student info sheets, voucher permission forms, pizza order forms, Volunteer Driver forms and the *Technology Use form (*only for students in grades 4-8) found in the info packages your child brought home today. For students starting school for the first time, please send a copy of their birth certificates to the school office.

Tuesday,
September 3, 2024

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, September 3

Welcome Back to School!
School Assembly 9:30 am

Wednesday, September 4

JK First Day of School

Thursday, September 5

SK Day
Vouchers 1:30 - 2:30pm

Friday, September 6

JK Day
Back to School BBQ - Doors open 4:30pm
Meal at 5:30pm

Tuesday, September 10

Grades 3, 4 & 5 - Agriculture in the Classroom (Wyoming Fairgrounds)

Saturday, September 14

Wyoming Fall Fair Parade

Monday, September 16

Grade 8 Clean Up at the Fairgrounds

September 16-20

Theme Week - “Growing Roots and Bearing Fruit” - The Fruits of the Spirit

Wednesday, September 18

Oofy IceBreakers

Friday, September 20

Terry Fox Walk/Run - Wyoming Trail

Tuesday, September 24

School-wide Picture Day (JK-8)

Wednesday, September 25

Prayer Around the Flagpole

Kick-Off BBQ

Join us for food and fellowship this Friday night! Families are invited to tour the school and meet the teachers from 4:30-5:15. Dinner devotions will be at 5:30 in the back lawn, followed by a dinner, refreshments and dessert provided by our Promotion Committee. Please bring your lawn chairs and picnic blankets. We look forward to enjoying the evening with you!

Drop-off and Pick-up

If you are dropping off or picking up your children from school, please use the entrance closest to the gym (the east side of the school) to enter the parking lot and park by the gym. For after-school pick-ups, students will wait in the lobby until their parent or guardian comes to the front door to pick them up. Thank you for your help in keeping each one of our students safe as we organize the before and after school bus routines.

School Contact Information

Please contact the school office at info@wyomingjkcs.com, text 226-886-5669 or phone 519-845-3112.

Visitors/Volunteers

If you're visiting or volunteering at JKCS, please stop by the office to sign in. You will be given a visitor/volunteer tag to wear at school. Thanks!

Volunteers

Do you enjoy reading with young children, driving for field trips, gardening, or making food? There are so many ways to contribute and enjoy the community at JKCS! At this time, we are looking for volunteers to read with our primary students. Please contact the school office if you're interested in helping out with this or any other activity at JKCS! Thanks!



New Families

Welcome to our new families at JKCS this year!

John & Dee-Ann Ford - Emmett (JK)
Dan & Lish Guthrie - Julianna (JK)
David & Dayna Horst - Lake (7), Bennett (SK), Paisley (SK)
Paul & Crystal Lofgren - Logan (JK)
Sam & Katie Mahon - Annie (JK)
Corey & Nicole Moesker - Ella (1), Paisley (JK)
Tim & Katie Pelleboer - Lewis (JK)
Shiraz & Liz Raja - Emmett (1)
Matthew & Danielle Vandervies - Asher (7), Jasmine (5), Ezekiel (4), Iris (2)

Wyoming Fall Fair Parade

One of the ways we connect with our local community and promote Christian education is by marching in the Wyoming Fall Fair Parade. At 11:15 a.m., we will meet at Wyoming's McKay Park, where students will receive their black JKCS shirts. Kindergarten students will participate via a ride on the bus. We will march through town to the fairgrounds, where participants will receive a small treat for their efforts. Parents, please pick up your children at the fairground gates immediately following the parade. Kindergarten parents, please pick up your children directly at the bus doors. This event is not mandatory, but we appreciate your help promoting our school. As always, parent volunteers are more than welcome to sit or march along with your students. Thanks!

Donations Accepted

The Helping Hands Committee is looking for donations of good condition, gently used plasma cars and a wagon for our Kinderstart students to use on the new track in their playground. Please email pictures of donations either to Mrs. Robinson (b.robinson@jkcswyoming.com) or Helping Hands (helpinghands@jkcswyoming.com)

We are also looking for donations of gently used hot wheels/dinky cars to refresh the bins in our Kinderstart classes. If you have any questions, please email Helping Hands. Thanks!

Classroom News

Kinderstart (A)

Mrs. Robinson

Welcome to a brand new school year! After much preparation and anticipation, I am excited to begin another KinderStart journey with two new classes! Joining me for some of our KinderStart time will be Mrs. Amanda Bydeley. Please check your child's planner for a more detailed back to school letter along with information on handwriting, memory work and our "Snuggle Up and Read" challenge. You will also find the September calendar which provides additional information for the month as well as the shared snack schedule. Do you have any questions? Please ask! My contact information is on the back to school letter. I look forward to seeing many of you at the barbecue on Friday evening!

Memory Work: We are beginning the year with our theme verses which we will work on for the month. They are Galatians 5:22, 23.

Bible: Throughout the year, we will take time to focus on the different fruits of the spirit. Our opening assembly provided an excellent introduction to the fruits. We will spend more time discussing the theme this week. We also begin the story of creation.

Weekly Theme: We will take some time to get to know our classmates a little better this week and to review school routines and expectations. We also have some fun with the story of the Gingerbread Man. "Run, run as fast as you!"

Kleenex and Wipes: We are well stocked with Kleenex and wipes. There is no need to send anymore to school at this time.

Extra Clothes: Please send an extra set of clothes for your child to school if you have not already done so.

"Pop Into K-Day"



"As soon as I saw you, I knew a grand adventure was about to happen"
- A.A. Milne

Classroom News

Kinderstart (B)

Mrs. Lofgren - Junior KinderStart

Welcome to our school year! I am excited to learn and grow with you all this year. God is good and His faithfulness endures forever. September is full of new beginnings, and we anticipate learning school rhythms, procedures, and more about each other. There are many things to review at the start of a new school year. Please review the papers in your child's planner. There you will find a September calendar, an extra clothes reminder, information on handwriting, and a copy of the memory work. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I look forward to seeing many of you at our back-to-school barbecue this Friday!

Memory Work: Our focus for September will be our theme verse, Galatians 5:22-23a. We will be working on it at school, but review at home is helpful too. The memory work will be on a separate piece of paper in the planner.

Bible: Creation (Genesis 1)

Weekly Theme: We will focus on School Procedures and Bus Safety.

Phonemic Awareness: We will spend our time on the letters in our names.

Library: Our Library time will begin next week, and our library day will be Thursdays.

Start Student and Show and Share: This will begin next week. The star student of the day can bring a show and share item. Next week's star students will be Benjamin on Tuesday and Brooklyn on Thursday.

Letter of the Week/Shared Snack: These will begin next week. We will start with the letter A. One student per week will bring in a snack to share on Thursdays that coincides with our letter. Parents are welcome to join but not required. Next week will be the letter A and our first friend to bring a snack will be Saige.



Mrs. Sipkens - Senior KinderStart

Welcome families! I am so pleased that this week has finally arrived, and I can begin getting to know you all. I know many of you have been praying for me, and I want to thank you for that. Please continue to do so, as we head into this year ready for new experiences and friendships, as well as learning all about our beautiful world.

We will begin the school year in Genesis, talking about Creation and our Creator. One of our morning greeting songs will be "This is the Day", so I have chosen to do our first memory work based on this, from Psalm 118:24 "This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!". Memory work will officially begin next week, but feel free to begin reciting/singing this week at home - it's a beautiful way to begin a day!

We will also be reviewing our letters, counting to 5, and practicing printing our names; however, our main goal this week is to have fun while we learn routines and get to know each other.

Star Student today was Emme, and Thursday will be Evangeline. Next week will be Caleb, Elodie, and Declan.

Please send a set of clothes in a large ziplock bag labelled with your child's name. This will be kept in the classroom in the case of accidents, spills, or muddy weather.

At the beginning of every month, I will be sending home a monthly Challenge page. These challenges will change each month, and will support our learning at school. Please don't feel like you must do these; I do not want to burden you or your child. If your child wants to, then please have him/her fill out as many as they can and return it to me for a prize (it does not need to be completely full!). I hope this will help you, as parents, engage with your child and see his/ her progress throughout the year, and support what they are learning at school.

Classroom News

Grade 1

Mrs. Tetreault

Welcome to a new year of school, Grade 1s! May God bless you as you learn and grow this school year.

Parent letter: Please take a look for the clear plastic envelope (our "Take Home Folder") in your child's backpack today; inside you'll find a parent letter with lots of information about Grade 1 at JKCS!

Family Tree: Our first social studies unit is called, "Our Home and School Community."

Today we drew pictures of our families to display on a bulletin board. We discussed expectations and rules for our classroom community so that we can honour God and care for one another at school. Next week we will be creating family trees in class. Parents, please take a look at the green Family Tree handout in the take home folder for more information, and return it by next Wednesday, September 13.

Reading Calendar: Reading calendars can be found in the Take Home Folders. Please keep this somewhere safe at home and return it at the beginning of October. Please see the parent letter for more details.

Communication: Parents, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns! Our contact info is on the parent letter and in the handbook. We're looking forward to getting to know all of you this year!

Mrs. Pries

Hello, Grade 1's and families. I am very excited to be partnering with Mrs. Tetreault from September - January. I will be teaching: Phonics, Math, Bible, Literacy and Writing. I am eager to get to know your child and build relationships with them. I am excited to see God grow these young learners academically and spiritually this year.

Memory Verse: Our theme this school year is "The Fruit of the Spirit." Our first memory verse will be Galatians 5:22-23a, "***But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.***" We will work on it slowly over the next two weeks.

Bible: We will begin the school year looking at the days of creation.

Math: We will start with review from Kindergarten, looking at numbers 1-10, as well as basic addition.

Phonics: We will begin with review of our letter sounds. We will also be focusing on the high frequency words: I, a, look, at, the.

Mrs. Noorloos

Welcome back to school! I pray we will have a wonderful time together as we have fun learning and growing in art, p.e. and penmanship!

Art: As a fun introduction to art this week we will be using our art skills and lots of creativity to display our imaginations! They will be in the hallway before the Back-to-School BBQ on Friday so feel free to check them out.

Classroom News

Grade 2 (A)

Mrs. Ferguson

I am so excited to begin this new school year with you! Our school theme for this year is The Fruit of the Spirit. This is a theme that I hope to instill in my class this year. We will begin by learning that the Fruit of the Spirit comes from a relationship with Christ. The Fruit is evidence of a life of faith and growth. This year we will go through the Fruit of the Spirit and see what each one looks like in our lives.

This week we will spend some time learning the new rules and routines of Grade 2. We will also have some fun talking about our summer and reconnecting as a class.

Memory work: We will be taking the next few weeks to learn our theme verses for the year. We will start with Galatians 5:22-23a, ***“But the Fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”***

Spelling: Spelling will start next week. Please check the This Week in Grade 2 calendar or the Knox Talks for a list of spelling words.

Seesaw: We use the Seesaw app in Grade two. This is a great way for you to see what is happening in our class and also an easy way to send me a quick message. I sent out an email a few weeks ago to help you sign up for this. Let me know if you have any problems connecting to this.

Reading Calendars: I encourage each of my students to read each school night for at least 20 minutes. Today I sent home a calendar to be signed each night (Monday-Thursday). Calendars can be returned at the end of each month for a small prize from my reading bin.

This Week in Grade 2 Weekly Calendar: Please check your child’s backpack for our Weekly Calendar to come home at the beginning of each week. We will write important dates, spelling words and notes on these.

Library: Library will continue to be on Wednesdays this year. Our first trip to the library will be next week. Please remember to return library books on Wednesday each week so that your child can sign out new books.

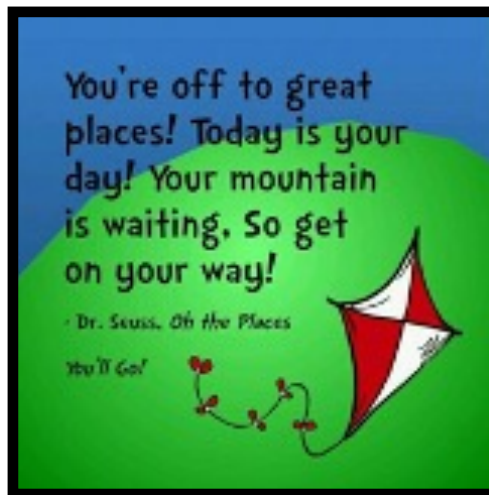
Classroom News

Grade 2 (B)

Miss Sluys

Welcome to a new school year! It's going to be a good one! We had a great day of meeting one another and making use of those new school supplies. I'm looking forward to meeting parents at the BBQ and saying hello to old friends.

Parents, please find a Grade 2B News page in your child's take home bag.



Classroom News

Grade 3

Mrs. Bouma

Welcome back to school! I look forward to a great year of learning with my new students!

Deep Roots, Bearing Fruit along with the Fruit of the Spirit will be front and centre as we seek a close relationship with Christ. My prayer for us this year is that we see this fruit in our lives at school, at home, and where ever we go.

This week our focus will be on back-to-school routines, expectations, and friendship. With read alouds, discussions, and reader's theatres, we will seek to establish a welcoming learning environment in our classroom.

Class Trip: We are privileged to visit they Wyoming Fairgrounds next Tuesday, September 10 for Agriculture in the Classroom! I am looking for three parent volunteers to accompany our class on this trip. We will be gone from 9:15am -2:00pm. Please let me or the office know if you can join us on this great learning opportunity!

I hope to see many of you at the school BBQ on Friday! Come visit our classroom before dinner and check out our classroom! Our new lights, ceiling tiles, floor, and air conditioning unit look great! A huge thanks to our Building and Grounds Committee!

Mrs. Pries

Welcome to Grade 3! I am excited to be partnering with Mrs. Bouma again this year. I will be teaching: Social Studies, Science, Bible, Writing, Art, Grammar and Penmanship. I am looking forward to getting to know your child and helping them grow this year. If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at 519- 333-9970 or a.pries@jkcswyoming.com

Science: Our first unit will be "The Trees of the Field." We will be taking an in-depth look at trees.

Bible: This year we will start with a short unit on Ephesians. Our focus will be on the Armour of God.

Memory Work: Our theme this school year is "The Fruit of the Spirit." Our first memory verse will be Galatians 5:22-23, ***"But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control, against such things there is no law."*** We will work on it in class over the next two weeks.

Writing: We will begin with proper sentence structure, neat printing and describing words. In grammar we will begin with nouns and proper punctuation.

Classroom News

Grade 4

Mrs. Noordam

Welcome back to school! I am very excited and privileged to be able to teach and to get to know your child throughout this school year!

Grade four is an exciting year as the students transition from a primary to a junior grade. We will work together to grow and learn many new things! Students will be studying God's word together, memorizing Bible verses, writing stories, creating new friendships, learning to type on the chrome books, reading novels together, learning French, and much more!

We already have a class trip planned! On Tuesday, September 10 we will join the grade 3 and 5 classes to the Wyoming Fairgrounds for the ***Agriculture in the Classroom*** program. All students will bring their lunches and we will eat in the dining hall. We will leave by bus at approximately 9:15 am and the program finishes at 1:40 pm. **We need volunteers!** Please contact the office or myself if you are able to help chaperone and lead a small group for the day. (Unfortunately, we will not be able to accommodate younger siblings for this event.)

I sent home today a parent letter explaining in more detail about our routines and our schedule. I would love to have open communication with all of you! Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns! I can be reached by email - jenkcs@gmail.com, text, or call at 519-330-0425.

I am looking forward to meeting you at the Open House/ Back to School BBQ this Friday!

French (Madame DeBoer): Bonjour! Welcome to a new year and a new French teacher; it's my joy and delight to teach your child this year! If you have questions at any point, please do not hesitate to send me an email: s.deboer@jkcswyoming.com. We begin our year with a unit reviewing familiar vocabulary.

Classroom News

Grade 5

Mrs. Siertsema

Welcome to the Grade 5 Knox Talks page!

This page will be full of various updates and information for you each week about our classroom's learning goals and happenings.

This year our classroom is set up with a mountain theme. There are so many Bible verses that talk about mountains. Psalm 121:1-2 is on our wall to help remind us that God is our help. No matter what we are facing, God is our help and He will also provide us with people that can help us! So when students need help, they will be reminded to look up and know that God will provide the help they need! In our classroom that help may look like students and teachers praying for them, helping them with their math, helping with their writing, helping with any subject or any task. They are never alone, they just need to look up!

This year our school theme is Growing Roots, Bearing Fruit. We will be discussing and learning about the fruit of the Spirit and looking at the different ways in which the Spirit is evident in our lives. For the month of September, we will be looking at the fruit of love and exploring what the fruit of love could look like in our classroom. How do we show God's love to our classmates, teachers, schoolmates, neighbours and those around us?

Our first week of school will involve an all about me project, getting to know you activities and building a positive atmosphere as we become a family of learners who encourage each other and build each other up! We will learn how we are all uniquely created by God and how we all have different learning styles and different ways that we will succeed. We will learn to celebrate each other's successes.

You will notice a WOW binder coming home each night. The W.O.W. binder stands for Wonderfully Organized Work (Thank you Mrs. Kamel). Within the W.O.W binder you will find your student's planner pages which will have to do lists, due dates and upcoming activities. Spelling and memory work for each week will also be inside the binders. Updates and information regarding projects (the Science Fair project being the first one) will also be in the WOW binder. Students will have the opportunity to personalize their wow binder, as you will see when they bring them home each night. As you are admiring their binder, **please also sign under the day of the week, each night**, so that we can all stay on the same page! Thank you in advance for helping your student stay on top of their learning this year!

For those of you who don't know me yet, here is a little about me. I love to teach, and have been teaching since 2007, with a break for a few years to be home with my kids when they were young. I have 14, 12 and 8. I love to play and coach basketball and my church where we've been members for about 12 years. If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to email me: t.siertsema@jkcswyoming.com.



have been married for 17 years and we have 3 children ages 14, 12 and 8. I love to play and coach basketball and my church where we've been members for about 12 years. If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to

Looking forward to a great year of growing roots, bearing fruit and looking up!

Mrs. Noorloos

Welcome back to school, grade five! I am excited to be teaching social studies, science and art in your classroom this year!

Our first field trip to the Wyoming Fall Fair will take place next Tuesday on September 10th. I would appreciate it if a few parents could accompany the class on this half-day adventure! Buses will be leaving at 9:15 and arriving back close to 2:00. If you would like to volunteer, please let me know by emailing me at l.noorloos@jkcswyoming.com by Thursday of this week, September 5.

Science: This year we are excited to be participating in a Science Fair in November! We are already looking into choosing topics this week. Student's will be receiving a science project log which is to be taken home in their W.O.W. binders every day. Please feel free to keep in touch with any questions or concerns by emailing me at l.noorloos@jkcswyoming.com

French (Madame DeBoer): Bonjour! Welcome to a new year of learning together in French class! We will be learning the play "Comment Y Aller" throughout the year. If you have questions at any point, please do not hesitate to send me an email: s.deboer@jkcswyoming.com.

Classroom News

Grade 6

Mrs. Kamel

Welcome back for another exciting school year at John Knox Christian School! I am thrilled to be teaching this group of students and I am eager to see what the Lord does with our hearts this year.

During the first week of school, we will get to know one another and take a look at our school expectations and routines. The students will have the opportunity to contribute to the expectations of the classroom that will help to make their space a safe, positive and engaging place to be. Our expectations will be rooted in the biblical foundation that we all, through faith in Christ Jesus, are worth more than we can imagine therefore will be treated and treat others as such.

Bible: Our first memory verse of the year will not be due until September 13th. It is a great couple of verses to memorize especially in light of our first unit in Bible we are covering which is all about the setting and the ins and outs of the Bible.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 ***"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."***

Language Arts: Students are encouraged to bring their silent reading books to class this week.

We will start off our year with a novel study on the book *Number the Stars*. We will also be learning a little more about the different genres of poetry. Students will also be introduced to our spelling and grammar and typing programs this year and will receive their first spelling list next Monday. Our first spelling quiz will be on Friday, September 13th.

Music: We will start working with our recorders this month, so if you could, please have your child bring their recorders to school. If you do not have a recorder, order forms will be sent out this week.

Science: We will be working through a unit on Biodiversity this month.

Social Studies: We will be working through a mini unit on culture and worldview this month.

Art: We are starting off the year strong with some well-loved graffiti name art that the senior classes got to do last year. Hopefully it will all but done and hung up for you to see by the open house/BBQ on Friday!

Science Fair: We are starting the year off with a bang! Right away, we will be looking at what a science fair is, how to choose a topic and coming up with a game plan. The science fair takes place in mid-November so we are asking the students to come up with a topic by **Wednesday, September 11th**.

I am looking forward to getting to know the students and yourselves as the year goes on. My door is always open should you have any questions or concerns. Please feel free to communicate with me through your child's planner or email me at l.kamel@jkcswyoming.com

French (Madame DeBoer): Bonjour! Welcome to a new year of learning together in French class! We will be learning the play "L'arbre ungali" throughout the year. If you have questions at any point, please do not hesitate to send me an email: s.deboer@jkcswyoming.com.

Classroom News

Grade 7

Mr. Teeuwen

Hello, and welcome back to the beginning of a new school year! I am very excited to be called to be teaching this group of grade 7 students and looking forward to having a wonderful year with them. Please keep us in your prayers as I will be keeping the students, parents, and staff in my prayers as well.

This week we will be settling into routines, learning expectations of Christ-like behaviour rooted in the Bible and our faith. The students will be introduced to our first units throughout the week as well and we'll begin using our planners to begin some solid organizational skills.

In Bible, our first unit is Themes of the Old Testament where we will explore God's story as laid out beginning in the book of Genesis in the Old Testament. We will be learning about God's promises to redeem his people from the Fall brought on by sin, and his plan of redemption.

In Math, we begin looking at Numbers and Numeration and specifically looking at representing and comparing whole numbers up to and including one billion, as well as powers of ten. We will then move towards looking at perfect squares and how to determine square roots.

In Language Arts we will begin in Reading Comprehension with a short stories unit titled *Choices and Decision*' and by looking at what is a short story, examining examples in the parables and then moving towards looking at the short stories in our *Choices and Decisions* book. The themes of these stories are rooted in Christ-like behaviour, and we will examine how the characters navigate these decisions. We will also be looking at nouns in grammar, and begin penmanship and typing practice as well this week.

In Health we will be examining mental health, mental illness and connecting that with how God is the great physician, how Jesus cured every manner of illness and how part of our strategy in maintaining a healthy mental health is being well-rooted in Christ, and in prayer.

For Physical Education we will be working on co-operative games, and moving towards soccer and cross country as well.

In Geography, we will be starting our unit titled 'My Father's World' and first looking at what makes us tick, why we choose what we choose, and how we are God's crowning glory in creation.

We will also be starting our Science Fair looking at topics and examining the outline and expectations for what makes a good science fair project. The Science fair will be held in early November so we will be launching that now to give the students plenty of time to choose a topic and research on it. The students will receive an outline with due dates for that which will be put in their agendas (red folders).

Finally, in Art, we will be working on a self-portrait that will be combined with a six word memoir to describe each student.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at r.teeuwen@jkcswyoming.com

French (Madame DeBoer): Bonjour! Welcome to a new year of learning together in French class! If you have questions at any point, please do not hesitate to send me an email: s.deboer@jkcswyoming.com. We will begin our year with a unit titled "Galaxie Virtuelle" all about space and video games.

Classroom News

Grade 8

Mrs. vanWyk

Welcome to a new school year at John Knox Christian School! Our Grade Eights are on the brink of significant change and new experiences. Today is their last first day of middle school! What an incredible milestone! Therefore, this year will be about academics, nurturing our faith, and building character. Our theme for this year is "The Fruits of the Spirit." The Apostle Paul describes these fruits in Galatians 5:22-23, where he writes: "***But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things, there is no law.***" We will cultivate and tend to our connection with God, even more, this year and inevitably express these fruits in our daily lives!

During the first week of school, we will get to know each other and establish routines and expectations. Each student will also receive a W.O.W. binder (Wonderfully Organized Work) that contains each day's homework and essential forms that go home daily. A guide for the upcoming Science Fair can also be found there.

Here is a quick summary of some of the units we are beginning:

Math: A unit on Number Sense.

Memory Work: Galatians 5: 22- 23 (School Theme: Fruits of the Spirits)

Science: Science Fair introductions and a unit on cells

Art: Depicting a Fall-themed idiom for the Wyoming Fall Fair.

Literature: A media unit on research skills (specifically to aid in research for the Science Fair) and starting our first novel, *A Long Walk to Water*, by Linda Sue Park.

Please feel free to email me at n.vanwyk@jkcswyoming.com or communicate with me through your child's W.O.W. binder. I'm looking forward to teaching your brilliant children this year and meeting you at Friday's BBQ!

French (Madame DeBoer): Bonjour! Welcome to a new year of learning together in French class! If you have questions at any point, please do not hesitate to send me an email: s.deboer@jkcswyoming.com. We will begin our year with a unit titled "Au casse-croûte", a unit all about food and restaurants.

Learning Support

I am thrilled to be the school's new Special Education Resource Teacher, or SERT for short! I have experience working with students with a variety of needs. I am a firm believer in Ignacio Estrada's words, "If a child can't learn the way we teach, perhaps we should teach the way they learn." Creating learning environments where every child can experience success is vital. Ephesians 2:10 states, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." I am excited to get to work with so many beautiful masterpieces here at John Knox.

So, every week I will post on behalf of our Learning Support Team. These posts are for the whole JKCS community. Topics may include changing terminology, program offerings, common language to use at home, executive functioning & homework tips, tricks, and techniques. The goal is to educate, inform, and support parents. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the Resource/Learning Support program please email me at l.raja@jkcswyoming.com

Mrs. Liz Raja,
SERT / Principal

JKCS Grocery Vouchers:

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

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____ DATE: _____

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

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