



October 25, 2010



Newsline 8

Principal's Message

Greetings, WCS:

On Friday, October 22, the whole school went to Chatham Christian School to hear Mark Thompson, a talented ventriloquist (www.markthompson.org), deliver a 45-minute presentation on how to prevent bullying. He had the whole crowd laughing, as well as thinking about how easy it is to be a bystander and allow bullying to continue by supporting it through laughter, instead of turning our heads away in disapproval.

Please visit his website or look him up on www.youtube.com, or even better, ask your child(ren) about him. It was well worth our time to take part in the whole school field trip. At one point, he was even able to throw his voice into Mrs. Hoogstad, as well as another teacher from Chatham. Mr. Thompson is the man in the middle of the picture below.



A special thanks must be given to Chatham for inviting us to this presentation, which was at no cost to us.

This afternoon our parent teacher conferences begin. This opportunity is a wonderful time to connect home and school. Parents are given a 15-minute time slot to discuss each of their children with the respective teacher. Please come with your joys, concerns and questions. The teachers are really looking forward to spending time with you all.

As you may have noted from classroom letters or on the school's calendar, there is no school on Thursday and Friday this week. The reason for this is that all the teachers will be traveling to Hamilton to participate in a conference that is for all OACS schools. The theme of the conference this year is, "Woven Together in God's Faithfulness." While at this event, our teachers will have a time to be inspired with knowledge, and the opportunity to connect with other teachers, which tends to help improve our classroom, because of new ideas that are gained. Please keep us in your prayers as we will be travelling, learning, and engaging in educational topics during these days.

When we are back next week, the big event for many of our students (Grades 3-8), is the CTBS testing week. CTBS stands

for Canadian Test of Basic Skills. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the office.

Enjoy the extra time off from school everyone. Students, please use this time to catch your breath, or catch up on class work in which you have fallen behind. The end of this first term is only 3 weeks away. After November 12, teachers will be writing their report cards.

Shalom,
Mr. Andy J. Alblas

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are being held today, Monday, October 25 from 3:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and on Tuesday, October 26 from 3:45 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Scheduled times were sent home last week.

Health Notice: – Pink Eye

We have been experiencing pink eye in the school. Please watch for this, and keep your child home until they are no longer contagious. If we notice symptoms at school, we will send the student home.

Operation Christmas Child

This year, each class will be filling one shoe box for Operation Christmas Child. Please send in one item appropriate for the following ages:

- JK & SK - Age 2-4 - Boy
- Gr. 1&2 - Age 5-9 - Boy
- Gr. 3&4 - Age 5-9 - Girl
- Gr. 5&6 - Age 10-14 - Girl
- Gr. 7&8 - Age 10-14 - Boy



A list should have gone home giving suggested items and restrictions. The items should be back no later than November 10.

Please pray with your family for the child that will be receiving each box.

School Pictures

School pictures will be taken on Tuesday, November 2. Flyers are being sent home today.



Poinsettias

It's that time already to order your poinsettias for Christmas! Order forms went out last week, and are due back into the school office by November 10. They will be available for pickup on December 3 in the Kindergarten room.

6" poinsettia (red only)	\$10
10" poinsettia (red, white or burgundy)	\$18
4.5" poinsettias (red only) available by the case (15)	\$55

****Please contact the school office to order the case of 4.5" poinsettias**

Thanks to everyone for participating in this fundraiser!!

Christmas Trees

We're introducing another new fundraiser this year — Christmas trees! Order forms go out this week, and are due back into the school office by November 17. They will be available for pickup at the school on December 3, which is the same day the poinsettias will be delivered. The trees are coming from Sloan's Nursery and Christmas Trees, and the variety being offered is the Fraser Fir. The Fraser Fir is their most popular tree and is one of the best trees for needle retention. The trees come in 6', 7' and 8' sizes. Alternatively, if you like getting a real Christmas tree but like the U-Cut experience,



Sloan's is offering a coupon that can be presented at their U-Cut lot, which will entitle the school to earn \$5/tree. Feel free to hand out the coupons to all your friends and family! The order form and coupons are being sent home with the Newsline, and additional copies are available from the school office. Note: the coupons are valid at William Sloan's U-Cut, which is different than Sloan's Christmas Tree Village. See directions on the coupon. William Sloan's U-cut offers a broomball court, toboggan hill, maze and fire pit, plus 45 acres of trees to wander through, all at no charge. Dogs on leashes are welcome. If you have any questions about this fundraiser, please feel free to contact Rachel Goodreau at 519-683-6968 or bradnrach@sympatico.ca

T.R.I.P. Program

- ▶ Stekelbos is closed for renovations this week, but gift cards are available through the office, Patti Metayer, Susan Beth Martin and Lucia Kraayenbrink. Thank you for continuing to participate in this fundraiser!
- ▶ Watch for our expanded Christmas order form coming soon!

Scholastics

Flyers were handed out last week. If you would like to order a book, please send in a cheque (payable to Scholastic Canada Ltd) by Tuesday, November 2.

Cleaning Schedule:

October 29 – Druer
 November 5 – Hoogerbrugge
 November 12 – Riesebo

*Please switch with someone
 if you cannot do it as scheduled.*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday & Tuesday, October 25, 26
 Wednesday, October 27 10:50 a.m.
 Thursday, Friday, October 28, 29
 November 1-5
 Monday, November 1 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, November 2
 Wednesday, November 3 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Thursday, November 4 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Friday, November 5
 Monday, November 8 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, November 9 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Thursday, November 11 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Monday, November 15 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, November 16 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Thursday, November 18 3:30-5:00 p.m.
 Friday, November 19

Parent Teacher Conferences
Reformation Assembly
OCSTA Conference – no school!
CTBS Testing
Volleyball Practice (girls)
School Pictures
Volleyball Practice (boys and girls)
Kindergarten testing
Volleyball Practice (boys)
Kindergarten testing
Volleyball Practice (girls)
Volleyball Practice (boys and girls)
Remembrance Day Assembly
Hot Lunch
Volleyball Practice (boys)
Volleyball Practice (girls)
Volleyball Practice (boys and girls)
Volleyball Practice (boys)
P. D. Day (no school)

CLASSROOM NEWS ITEMS

Jr. & Sr. Kindergarten

I will be assessing each JK and SK student. Each JK student will be assessed for 30 minutes, and each SK student for 40 minutes; after that there is time to discuss the assessment with the parent(s).

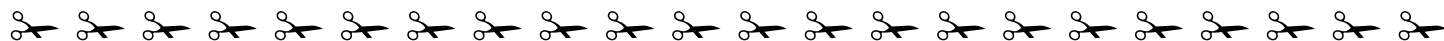
Thursday November 4

- 9:00- 9:45 - Colin
- 9:45- 10:30 - Veronika
- 10:30-11:15 - Emma
- 11:15-12:00 - Reese
- 12:00-12:45 - Lauren
- 1:00-2:00 - Amber
- 2:00-3:00 - Andrew

Friday November 5

- 9:00- 10:00 - Jessica
- 10:00-11:00 - Anneka
- 11:00-12:00 - Anna
- 12:00-1:00 - Aaron
- 1:00-2:00 - Wade
- 2:00-3:00 - Scott

Gym: There will be no gym for the JK and SK students on Tuesday, November 2. It is picture day ☺



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

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

Weekly ____ Monthly ____

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