



DCS Newsletter



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From the Principal, Mr. Huisman

***“The fear of the LORD
is the beginning of
wisdom; all who follow
His precepts have good
understanding. To Him
belongs eternal
praise.”***

Psalm 111:10

As we come to the end of another week, we are thankful to the Lord for his goodness and mercy towards us.

I would like to remind all parents that there is an opportunity to visit your child's teacher. **Interviews are available tonight from 7 – 10 and tomorrow morning from 9 – 12.** We would like to thank all of the parents who will be taking advantage of this opportunity to meet.

I would like to thank all of the supporters of the DCS Band. Last night the students, together with numerous parents, made **1512 apple pies.** Quite the accomplishment!

There will be a **Beacon coming out this Sunday** with more information as to events taking place in December. As always, this newsletter and the Beacons are available on-line at www.dufferinchristian.ca.

Have a blessed week-end!

“In The Hand of the Potter”

K-12 School Theme & Christmas Concert

**Wednesday, Dec. 16th, 2009
Carman West Canadian
Reformed Church
7:30 pm**

He who has made us continues to mold us. Come to listen, participate, and give thanks to God along with the students. We look forward to seeing you there!

Mom's Pantry New date....

Please pick up your Mom's Pantry order of **Thursday, Dec. 3,**
between 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.



Book Fair

Thurs., Nov. 26
(evening) &
Friday, Nov.
27th
(morning)
during parent/teacher
interviews.

(Books from Nancy VanderVelde)

Elementary Student Council

Excellent Council Member turnout this past Monday! Thank-you! Many fun day ideas were brought to the table. We decided to focus on **Soup Days** this year, once per month from December to March. Our first **“Lug-a-Mug” day** will be on **Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2009,** priced at **50 cents per mug.** To make this a fun-filled day, **please come to school dressed in Red and Green!** Grade 5 will be making posters to remind us of this event.

It's also time for our annual **Food Drive.** This gives opportunity to donate non-perishable items for the **Christmas Cheer Board.** There will be a table set up in the school for donations. Thanks so much for your continued support!

Stingers Athletics:

Our 7/8 girls will be starting basketball **practices this Thursday from 3:30 – 5:00.** The girls will only be having 1 practice a week, the idea is to introduce them to the game of basketball as well as possibly attend a tournament.

Basketball Practices

JV Boys Monday & Thursday
3:30 – 5:00

Varsity Girls: Mon/Wed/Fri 7:00 – 8:15

Varsity Boys: Mon/Thur
7:30 – 10:00 Tuesday 8:00 – 8:40 (am)

Attn: JV BOYS PARENTS:
Our JV boy's team will be heading out to **St. Anne on December 11/12** for a tournament, once we have the schedule for the tournament we will need to arrange rides. Please contact your coach if you cannot attend practice.

Hot Dog Day

Grades 7-12

**Thursday,
Dec. 3rd**



Cost: \$1.50

Proceeds to mission.

Home Ec. / IA Classes

Monday, Nov. 30, Gr. 11 PM

Tuesday, Dec. 1, Gr. 9

Wednesday, Dec. 2, Gr. 12 PM

Thursday, Dec. 3, Gr. 7

Friday, Dec. 4, Gr. 10

Kindergarten

Miss Stad

We finished painting the outlines of our bodies. This was a lot of work. Hopefully you will see the pictures hanging on the wall when you come to school for

parent/teacher conferences on Friday!

Beginning next week we will be learning our alphabet sounds in a different order. We will be introduced to the letters with an animal character, sound and gesture. We will be



learning about **Polly Panda** for the letter **P**,

and **Uncle Upton** for the letter **u!** Then we



will put these two sounds together to make the word **pup**. These characters come from the Animated Literacy program and I think they will be fun to learn about. I will have some more information available at the parent/teacher conferences.

On December 11 we will be making

gingerbread

houses.

I'm still looking for three volunteers willing to help out. It will likely be from 9:30 – 11:15 a.m. Please consider coming out to help us. We will need to have 1 litre, ½ litre or ¼ litre (not 2.1 l) milk, cream or juice cartons to build the base of the house. If you have any empty cartons please save them and send them to school.



Bible stories will be:

- The Burning Bush
- Pharaoh says "No" to God

Grade 1

Mr. VanderHooft

WOW!! December already!??

Memory Work

For **Friday, December 4th:**

- Psalm 42:1 (Book of Praise)
- John 14:15 (text)

Bible

The Ten Commandments; The Summary of the Law; Building the Tabernacle; Worshipping in the Tabernacle

Language Arts

WWW: We will finish our study of short <i> and associated word families and move on to short <u>. Please be sure to take the opportunity to read (often) the readers that come home with students. The interest you show really gives much incentive to do well at school! ☺

Sight Word review: a; the; it; is; I, can, see; go, to, we; at, look; am, are, in; for, they; on; you, all, of; and, like; he, said, no, she; this, big, that, not; his, her, will, come; me, him; up, down; was, with, my;

Sight Word new: do, play, yes, some, have, one, two

Show & Tell

It's time for a new topic! For **Wednesday Michael, Brooklyn, Devon, and Mercedes** need to bring something that is important to their family.

Library & Mission Money

Thursdays. Student Council advises that a minimum \$0.25 per student each week is necessary in order to support our sponsor child.

Choir

It's likely you'll hear Christmas melodies and theme songs more frequently. We are practicing for our concert to be held Dec. 16.

Grade 2

Mrs. Linde

Memory work: Psalm 150:1

Text: 1 John 3:16-18

Bible:

M Isaiah; Isaiah 5:1-7

Tu Isaiah Prophecies of Hope; Isaiah 2:2-5; 9:2-7; 11:1-5; 14:1-2
W Hezekiah; 2 Kings 18:1-8
Th cont'd.; 2 Kings 20:1-11
F Josiah; 2 Kings 22-23

WWW: black clock kick truck

Math: We'll review place value and counting by 10's, 2's and 5's.

Science: We'll learn about "Matter", the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

Library: Thursday
Phys. Ed.: Tuesday and Thursday

Show and Tell: Friday
Brett & Dawson

Grade 3

Mrs. Veenendaal

Memory Work: Psalm 50:11

Bible: Unit 3: Jacob & Joseph
M Joseph in Potiphar's house
Tu More Dreams
W A Ruler in Egypt
Th Brother's First Trip to Egypt
F Review

ELA:

We have another clue! There is a newspaper article about a monster a little bit bigger than a horse with two humps on its back. We have our predictions of what it might be. What do you think it is? We will continue to dig deep into the meaning of the story. We will be focusing on comprehension and making connections.

Word Wall Words:

Review: they're, there, their, hopeless, first and ALL

November+ words. The review sheet was sent home. If you do not have it, please let me know! We will be having a **Quiz on Friday Dec 4.**

Science:

We know that a structure is something that has been made by man or animals with more than one part, designed and built to fulfill a purpose! We will be looking at the parts of a building next week and learn what an architect is. We will also look at how foundations work. Think about this: Which would be more stable – a broad base or a narrow base?

Math:

We continue to work through the addition and subtraction. Using the 100s chart is really helpful to many students. We will use it as a strategy and hopefully move toward a mental strategy too! We will continue with this in a variety of forms.

Special Me/Show & Tell
(Friday): Michael

Music: Choir - Tuesdays

Library Day: Thursday

Phys. Ed: Tuesday & Thursday

Grade 4

Miss Doek

I hope to see you tonight or tomorrow morning!

Memory work:

Psalm 78:2

Text for Christmas Concert

Bible:

M: David's Conquests 2
Samuel 8-10

Tu: David and Bathsheba 2
Samuel 11

W: Nathan's Rebuke 2
Samuel 12

Th: Trouble in David's Family 2 Samuel 13-19

F: David's Last Years 2
Samuel 1:2-4

M: Review King David

Tu: Test

Working with words:

Spelling words for Friday
December 4: **about, everybody, everything, everyone, are, our, right, write, beautiful, community, communities, classify**

Guided Reading:

Cont'd *Charlotte's Web* chapter 11-14

Writing:

Next week we will do some grammar, we also will spend our writing period working on our Social Studies project.

Math:

We are busy memorizing timetable 4. Next week the students will work in groups to figure out different patterns in numbers, word problems, charts, etc.

Social Studies:

Next week we will do one more project about Canada: Geographic Regions of Canada. The class will be divided into 7 groups and every group will research one of the regions. If you have some pictures about animals, plants or landforms of Canada, please consider donating them to grade 4. Calendars will do very well!

Grade 5

Mrs. C. Vandermeulen

Memory work: Hymn 51:1

Devotions:

M Cindy

Tu Miriam

W Vince

Th Laura

F Wesley

Bible:

We will be continuing with our study of the prophets. We will look further at Amos' visions about Israel's future and then move on to a short study of Isaiah.

ELA: We finished looking at the story "Joaby" by Lorrie McLaughlin. Now we will be moving on to theme related poetry. We will be reading the poems "She wishes her name was different", by Leland B. Jacobs", "Waiting" by Nikki Grimes", "Being Lonesome" by Tom W., as well as some other poems that are not in the Pingo Readers.

Math: We just finished our Unit 3: Multiplication Tests. Please keep reviewing multiplication facts with your child, because soon we will be working on division, which requires a very good knowledge of the timestables. Most mistakes made on the tests were simple multiplication fact errors. Our next unit is "Graphing".

Spelling Unit 11: *Anchors Aweigh* – Test on Friday

arrived	captain	weigh
officer	signal	blew
shore	gray	locks
bow	pilot	map
sea	sailing	ships
shipping	following	

Classwords:

graph
Renaissance
Vandermeulen ☺

Vocab: Test on Tuesday (Unit 8 words – Food)

Science: We will be starting a new unit called "The Human Body".

Socials: We have just finished looking at the Renaissance and the power of the Church in the 1500's. We will now look at

"The Empires " in this time period: (Portugal, Spain, England, France, and the Netherlands).

Welcome back....

Welcome back Miriam and Brittney! We are glad you are feeling better! We also hope that Silas feels better soon too!

Grade 6**Mr. Gunnink**

Memory Work: From the *Book of Praise*, Psalm 10:7 and a Bible text: Matthew 28:19, 20.

Bible: Gen 22, God tests Abraham; Gen 23, Abraham becomes owner of a piece of Canaan; Gen 24, God grants Isaac a wife; Gen 25, Esau resents responsibility.

Math: Review on Monday and Tuesday. Test by Wednesday.

ELA: Island of the Blue Dolphins, continued.

Socials: Putting Canada Together, continued. Our next unit focuses on the process by which Manitoba becomes a province.

Phys. Ed 6: Basketball continued. I've been asked to start calling back-court violations...anybody know what they're talking about?

Lunch Devotions: The following students are responsible for lunch devotions: **Myron, Erienne, Warren, Kim, and Cody.**

Miss Jager

Grade 7: Another week has flown by. The students and I made a write up, for the Beacon next month; should be interesting.

The students did a great job on their Science Tests. It is tough material so good work☺. Next week the students have I.A on Thursday and a Math Test and Spelling and Vocab Test on Friday. By then it's December. Wow, the time has flown by and I must say that I'm having a great time. That's all for now. Have a great long weekend.

Mrs. DeWit**Reformed Studies 11G Church History**

Test date for unit 1 is Wednesday, Dec. 2.

Meanwhile, we will begin our second unit which deals with developments in organization, doctrine and leadership in the early church. Our first assignment on this same topic will be handed out in the middle of the week and will be due, probably on Fri. Dec. 4.

Art 10G

Students are doing a junk sculpture depicting good stewardship of the resources of this earth, in line with the commandment in Genesis to develop the earth. For this project, they need to develop ideas and collect and bring small "junk" for the next class. (things such as bread tags, twist ties, pull tabs, nails, screws, washers, spools etc.)

ELA 40S

Research essay is due on Monday, Nov. 30

At present, we are working with a practice run of a previously administered provincial exam. We will do the components and then look at and use the marking guidelines to see how we can improve our responses. Following this, we will continue with the novel A Bird in the House.

Remember: hand in your writing history and all past due assignments, including scrapbook entries.

ELA 20F

We are progressing with the reading of the play Julius Caesar.

Students will receive several assignments as we finish the play. We will also view the movie and analyze the techniques used and decisions made in the filming of this play. The test for the play will be on Tues. Dec. 8. Meanwhile, we will also begin on the work required for the production of a research essay. The dates will be set in the next few days.

Students also need to locate or buy the novel Grain.

Mr. Hoogerdijk

Science 10F

We have completed a test on the first part of the electricity unit and are nearing the end of the rest of the unit slowly. On Monday we'll begin looking at energy usage, the cost of using electricity, how electricity is produced, and environmental impact of electricity production. A portion of this next section will involve a bit of mathematical calculations – we'll proceed slowly in that area to try to prevent leaving any students behind.

AICT 15F

We are moving into some more advanced features of Excel – using built-in formulas and functions to work with various data. Some of these functions are a little more complex as they start to really show how powerful some spreadsheets can be in terms of assisting us with data analysis. These next units will require a little bit of slowing down to make sure

students understand how these formulas are applied to give the results we're looking for.

Web Design 35S

No, it's not a mistake. We've moved on from Desktop Publishing to web design. While we've moved on, there are definite connections between the two courses – both involve designing something that is attractive to the user and both focus on a fictional company the students have produced designs for in the previous course. This course will prove to be a little challenging for some as it involves working with code to produce web pages. Working with code can be time-consuming and requires a lot of attention to detail. Students will have to work very carefully as they move forward.

Science 20S

We have moved on to the Motion unit with a brief introduction to the conventions we'll be using in the unit. We'll delve into the unit a little more deeply starting on Monday with a quiz on Thursday. As we work through the unit, I would once again encourage students to seek help with concepts as soon as they begin running stuck. Don't wait for things to pile up first.

Physics 30S

We are wrapping up some topics in the waves unit and will try to solidify some of these concepts in a review before moving on to a test. This involves working through a number of review questions to help students see how all the concepts link up. Some students are still struggling to put the pieces together in this unit.

Chemistry 30S

We are moving on to our properties of gases unit next week. This is a relatively short unit which should take a couple of weeks to complete – assuming all goes well. Since it's kind of short, it's very important for students to stay with us right from the start. This includes working on assigned work promptly in order to have it completed on time.

Mr. Lodder

Grade 8

Reformed Studies

Our next unit is The Suffering and Sacrifice of Jesus Christ (approx 14 Lessons). The new memory work for this unit is from John 14:1-14. We will have to make sure we learn this one in doable parts....like one verse per lesson! We'll see how it goes.

Grade 8

Social Studies

We continue our study of Ancient Greece. I'm trying to use this chapter to show students how to decide on important points to make notes on. This may seem tedious but being able to pick out the important points of our readings is an important skill.

Grade 9

Social Studies

The preliminary lesson on the Canadian Government proves that there are a few things for us to learn.

Grade 12

Worldviews

The Theism projects are in. We have a bit of an issue trying to get in our evangelism role plays...but we will find a way!!

Module 4 Naturalism: Worldviews without god(s), Naturalism and Materialism; Darwinism.

Mrs. Vandenbos

Science 8 – On Monday we are going to the water treatment plant in Carman to see how the water we drink is treated. This will just be during the Science class time and will not affect other classes. There will be a quiz on the new words we have learned in this unit, on Friday Dec 4, so students should start reviewing now to learn the definitions. The final test for this unit is scheduled for Friday, Dec 18.

Re: Blogspot

Apparently the blogspot website sends out viruses so I now have a website linked to the school's. If you go to the DCS website, under faculty, find my name and go to my website you will find the daily homework assigned and any other notes. I have also linked it to the handouts which I give out in class so if a student is absent they can download the paper from there, do the reading in the textbook and make their own notes.

Biology 30S – We are starting the transportation and respiration systems now.

PHE grade 11 – The portfolios are NOW due. At this point only 7 students have yet to complete their portfolio. Class time will now be spent working on their activity part, ON THEIR OWN. Please remember that this is a semester course so all course work, including physical activities, must be done by exam week at the end of January. Students do have access to the gym and/or gym equipment during their scheduled PHE class period, but they must treat it with respect.

PHE Grade 12 – If students have not read the next section, pages 89-130 *Gently Restore*, and done the study questions for Monday, Nov. 30 then we will again use Monday for reading and Tuesday for discussion. After the discussion, students must write a 1-2 page summary/ reflection (preferably typed, double spaced) about each of the four sections: G1 *Glorify God*, G2 *Get the Log out of your Eye*, G3 *Gently Restore*, and G4 *Go and be Reconciled*. These summary/reflections must be added to their portfolios. Duotangs will not be accepted this year, the portfolio must be in a 3-ring binder.

Assiniboine Community College

Visit from Graham Street

Graham Street will be coming to our school to talk to students about various programs offered at ACC. Any students interested in the following career areas are invited to come to the computer lab on Monday, Dec. 7th, 11:45. Below please find links to the various ACC programs.

Media Production -

<http://public.assiniboine.net/Default.aspx?tabID=84&prgID=186>

Media Production –

Communications Specialty

<http://public.assiniboine.net/Default.aspx?prgID=187&tabID=84>

Web Design -

<http://public.assiniboine.net/Default.aspx?tabID=84&prgID=1>

Library Overdues

Don't forget about the Book Fair coming up Thurs. Nov. 26 evening and Fri. Nov. 27 a.m. during Parent/Teacher interviews. We welcome Nancy VanderVelde with many new selections. Great for gift giving!

Library Days

Wednesdays: **Kindergarten**

Thursdays: **Gr. 1 - Gr. 6**

Library Overdues:

K – 3

Lydia Pierotti-Made by Me / Orange Food Fun

Kelvin Hamming-Asterix and Obelix all at Sea/Diggers

Lianne Riedstra-Amanda Pig, First Grader/What's That, Mittens?

Kameron Toews-Ancient Rome/20,000 Leagues under the Sea

Ian Barendregt-Gorillas and Other Apes/Bikes

Elliot Holtvluwer-Pumas/Survival: Could You be a Deer?

Magdelene Lomeling-Detective Arthur on the Scent

Vincent Klaassen-Timberwolf Chase/How to Draw Cars

Logan Termeer-John Deere/Dump Trucks

Micah Linde-How to Improve at Basketball/Sharks

Kiera Barendregt-Rupert The Daily Express Annual(1981)/Roger the Ranger

Jesse Borst-Castles&Forts/1-2-3 Draw Cartoon Wildlife

Braden Hamming-Angela's Airplane/Tintin in Tibet

Erin Lok-The Pizza Palace/Cook it Together

Michael Riedstra-Red Rackhams's Treasure

Nathanael Toews-Asterix in Switzerland/Blue feather's Vision

4 – 6

Daphne Linde-The Dog-Gone Mystery/Sadie Rose and the Impossible Birthday Wish #9

Dominique Linde-Mysterious Signal/Love Finds a Home

7 - 12

This is a reminder that the following books are due on Mon. Nov. 30/09. If you would like books renewed or if books are needed for projects just let the librarian know. If a book is signed out on the sheet, write "project" or if you would like to renew, write "renew" beside the book title.

Doug Termeer-The Digestive System/Malnutrition

Derrick Borst-The Drummer Boy's Battle

Joseph Hoogerdijk-Asterix the Gaul/High Rhulian

Cassandra Riepema-Naya Nuki, Girl Who Ran

Carlin Schulenberg-Hollywood Holdup

Arnold Borstlap-The Missing Map of Pirate's Haven/Race for the Park Street Treasure

Jenien Riedstra-The Preacher's Daught/A Sister's Secret

Maria deLeeuw-Take your Best Shot

This is a reminder that the following books are overdue. If you need a book renewed please talk to the librarian.

Keisha deLeeuw-Ekaterina

Melissa Hamming-The Ancient Egyptians

Wendy Termeer-Crown of Fire/Face Value

If the following books are not returned or renewed they are presumed to be lost and a bill will be sent home.

Cody van Dijk-Flying Ace

Jared Vanderveen-Bleak House

Derrick Borst-Asterix and the Big Fight

Taylor Lee Veldman-Scout the Sailing Sleuths

Wesley Riedstra-Xenophobia/Alcohol

Other Community News...

Ladies Aid Tea Crafts, Sewing, & Bake Sale

**Saturday,
Nov. 28th**

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
in the Canadian
Reformed Church,
Carman West.**

**We look forward to
seeing you there!
(Items may be dropped off
at the West church Friday
evening also. We will be in
the consistory room to the
right as you walk in the
door!) Thanks!**

Christmas Open House

*Caronnels Craft and
Consignment*
(in St. Claude)

AND

*Annette's Garden
Cottage* (Hwy. 2)

Friday, Nov. 27

9:00 am - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 28

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Hope to see you there!

PART-TIME JOB AVAILBILE

All Natural Meats is currently looking to fill 2 positions that are part time. This opportunity is an easy and quick way to make some extra spending money.

We are looking for individuals that like to work in a team atmosphere, are hard working, have a great initiative level and are willing to learn new things. You must be at least 16 years of age and have a SIN number

You will be responsible for any of the following: Customer satisfaction, packaging meat, cleaning tasks, or small miscellaneous jobs.

The position is 8 hours every Saturday 9-6 @ \$10.00/hour. Start time is ASAP

If this sounds like something you would like to pursue please drop off your resume to David at All Natural Meats. 192 Main St North.

