



DCS Newsletter



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From the Principal,

Mr. Huisman

“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.”

Philippians 2: 3,4

Another week has come and gone. It has been an extremely busy week, also outside of the typical day to day happenings at the school. We have four new temporary students with the arrival of the exchange students from Holland. **We welcome Gerjanne, AnnaMarie, Yorick and JanWillem.** We hope that you will enjoy your time, however brief, at DCS. We also managed to introduce them to pie-making, DCS style.

Some of the elementary students have been busy with lunch time intramurals. If you wish to see the standings in team dodge ball, they are posted on the wall outside the grade five classroom.

In the next several weeks we have a few assemblies. We extend an invitation to all to attend these functions.

- Reformation Day Assembly – Monday, October 31st – This assembly will begin at 2:45 pm in the gym.
- Remembrance Day Assembly – Thursday, November 10th – This assembly will begin at 2:30 pm in the gym.

There will be a Beacon published this weekend.

Reformation Day Assembly
Monday, Oct. 31, 2011

Time: 2:45 pm

Everyone welcome!

Stingers Athletics

The following people still need to **hand in their soccer jerseys:** Brett V, Dwier T, Lana D, Wendy T, Louise K, Rica VK. Please hand in ASAP.

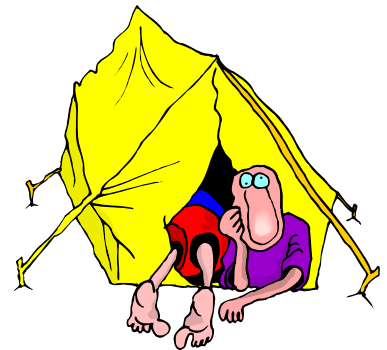
The **gym will be open Tuesday and Thursday mornings** for all boys who are interested in

playing varsity boys basketball. (8:00 – 8:40)

Anyone interested in coaching 7/8 basketball this year is asked to contact Michael Raap ASAP (745-2278)

Mom's Pantry

Grade 8 Fundraiser



Thanks for the orders which have trickled in already. Remember, you can also order online by logging in using the order number 73992 and the group password 34029. We earn 2% bonus on these orders! **Orders are due asap or by Nov 4.**

Thank you!

From Mrs. DeWit

Campbell Soup Labels

Please continue to save them for us. Either leave them with us at school or drop them in the label box at Carman Co-op.



Carman Fair Prize Money:

Students who won prizes for their work in the fair received their 'little' envelope with their prize money. If they didn't tell you, ask them about it...

Remembrance

Day contest dates are approaching. It is time to be seriously thinking about entering and time to begin the poster, poem or essay. The date on which they must be delivered to the Legion is Nov. 18. Remember that an entry form must be signed by a parent, so do get these done on time as well.

Elementary Student Council



Goat Update

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After the first goat fund raising event, Fall colour and Apple day, we have \$50.21 in the goat fund!! Check out the goat-o-meters in the hall..... 1 2/3 goats so far. "Ken ya" believe it???? Thanks to everyone for participating. Stay tuned for the next goat fund raiser/fun day.

Home Ec. / IA Classes

Monday, Oct. 31, Gr. 9
 Tuesday, Nov. 1, Gr. 12
 Wednesday, Nov. 2, Gr. 7
 Thursday, Nov. 3, Gr. 10
 Friday, Nov. 4, Gr. 8

Kindergarten

Miss Stad

This week we will have school on Monday and Wednesday.

On Monday there will be a Reformation Day Assembly. The Kindergarten class will be singing at this assembly.

On Monday we will be making applesauce. Could each student please bring one or two apples to school which we can use to make applesauce. Thank you

This week we will learn about the letter M with Mimi Mermaid. We will put the letters M and O together to make the word mom. We will learn how to draw a mom.



This week I will also be beginning to do assessments for the first Kindergarten report card.

Memory Work: Hymn 5:1

Bible Stories:

- The Special Blessing
- Jacob's Dream

Volunteers:

Wednesday - Mrs. Christa Smith
 Have a blessed weekend.

Grade 1

Miss Doek

Memory Work: Psalm 25:1

Bible:

M: Reformation Day (Assembly in the afternoon!)

Tu: The Brothers' Second Journey to Egypt

W: The Happy Ending

Th: Review of Joseph's Life

F: Unit Review

ELA:

The following words are on the Word wall: a, God, I, it, is, see, the, can, we, look, go, at, to, am, are, and, an, for, they, in, on, if

New words: run, up, us, jump, jumping

Every day we practice writing seven Word Wall Words. On Thursday I'll quiz the students on these words. Please practice writing the following words at home too: we look, go, to, at, are, am.

Centers:

Next week we will continue with the centers. The students very much like it. They should come home with a booklet after we are finished these centers. Take a look at what they all did.

Journal:

The students brought home their journal again. Please leave a printed response and return the journals on Monday.

Math:

Next week we will continue graphing the weather and reviewing the numbers with their number words. I also hope to

introduce the ten-frame.

PE:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Library Day:

Thursday

Grade 2

Mrs. Linde

Memory Work: Psalm 25:1

Text 1John 3:10

Bible:

M Martin Luther

Tu Ahab and the Garden; 1 Kings 21

W Elijah Goes to Heaven; 2 Kings 2:1-18

Th Elisha: Miracles; 2 Kings 4:1-37

F Naaman; 2 Kings 5

We didn't get as far as I had planned in Bible last week because we spent some time learning about Martin Luther and the Reformation.

WWW: can't didn't don't won't it's that's

We'll look at the apostrophe and what it means.

Math: Continue with place value and ordering numbers 0-99.

We'll also use the signs for

greater than >, less than < and equal to =.

Science: We know that plants clean the air and give us oxygen. We'll learn about the water cycle now. A catchy tune will help us remember all those "ation" words.

evaporation condensation precipitation

If all went according to plan we'll have listened to the Pumpkin Patch Parable today.

This delightful story by Liz Curtis Higgs illustrates how a loving farmer can turn a simple pumpkin patch into a glorious sight. In the same way God's transforming love fills each of our hearts with joy and light.

Phys Ed: Tuesday and Thursday

Library: Thursday

Show and Tell: Joel and Seth on Friday November 4

Grade 3

Mrs. Veenendaal

Happy Birthday to **Jamin** who will celebrate his birthday tomorrow! We wish you a wonderful day Jamin, and we

pray the Lord will continue to bless you in the coming year ☺

Memory Work: Ps 25:2

Bible: Unit 3: Jacob & Joseph

M Reformation Day

Tu Blessing

W Jacob at Bethel

Th Jacob at the Well

F Review

ELA:

This week we continue responding to our reading and writing. We will do another self-assessment, looking at the organization of our writing. We hope to spend some time working on our Social Studies project during this time as well!

Word Wall Words: October words

*please practice WWW at home!!

Review Words: countries, schools, laughed, getting, exciting

("Rules": If you have a word that ends in a single vowel, single consonant, *double the consonant* before adding the ending! Also, we *drop the silent 'e'* when adding an ending. Of course in the English language there are

exceptions to every rule... ☺)

New Words: too/to/two, community

Social Studies:

We have begun to learn a few songs associated with Canada: O Canada in French(!), *Something to Sing About* and a few verses from *This Land is My Land*. We also took a little bit of time to talk about Remembrance Day. We will focus on our Remembrance Day Posters and our research project this week.

Math:

This week we will look at the value of numbers (ie. 345 – the value of the hundreds is 300, the tens is 40 and the units is 5) Even if it's a larger digit, it may not be a larger value! We will look at numbers in expanded form and with base ten representation.

I would like to encourage everyone to practice doubles and make ten at home! They are building blocks for future math concepts!

Library Day: Thurs.

Phys. Ed: Tues/Wed

Week at a Glance (*Dev*):

M – (*Kameron*) Make 10, WWW, Ref. Day Assem. @ 2:30

T – (*Danielle*) PE

W – (*Gianna*)PE

Th – (*Joshua*) Lib, M\$

F – (*Kendra*) MW

Grade 4

Mrs. Bergsma

Grade Four:

Memory Work:

Psalms 25: 1,(2,5) This will be due on Friday.

Reformed Studies: An overview of the Judges.

ELA:

Spelling Connections, lesson five.

Spelling: art, earn, pancakes, strange, chief, law, job, worker, failed, nurse, painter, inspect, report, jail, collect, doctor, drive.

Reading Log: A story has gone home with each student along with worksheets. The students have until the following Friday to read the story at home and complete the worksheets. Please have the duo tangs back at school and completed on Friday! A new story will go

home every Friday and will be due a week later.

Math:

Place Value. Using place value to determine greater or less than.

Science: Observation skills.

See how our habitats work. How do habitats change and animals adapt to these changes? How has God created animals to deal with change?

**We will be going to Fort Whyte on Monday, November 7 with the ICS Gr. 4 class. Are any parents interested in being drivers/chaperones for that day? Write me a note in the agenda if you are and I will get back to you! ☺

French 6-7: Reading comprehension and verb conjugation.

French 4-5: Weather vocabulary and numbers 1-20. Oral practice of the vocabulary. Recognizing written vocabulary. Starting on Tuesday, I will be listening to students count to 20 in French. They will be alone or in pairs so I can assess oral ability.

Microwave days:

Tuesday: Magdelene, Carson, Henry

Wednesday: Vincent, Noah, Alanna, Lauren

Thursday: Brett, Logan, Dawson

Friday: Jenna, Ian, Micah

Grade 5

Mr. Vandermeulen

Memory work: Psalm 25:1

Devotions:

M Cassie

Tu Kiera

W Trenton

Th Brandi

F Tori

Bible: We are finishing with the book of Proverbs and will be studying Job next week. There will be a Unit 2 test on Friday.

Math: We did our Unit 1 Math test this week and next week we will be starting our new unit beginning with learning about place value.

ELA: We have finished our novel study and have begun work in the book Pingo, which is a compilation of short stories and poems.

Social Studies: We have begun our second unit and have been studying about the Norse. We will continue this next week and we will begin studying the early exploration of North America.

Science: This week we will finish our group projects on recycling and will present them to the class. We will also look at reversible changes.

Spelling Unit 7:

patch pyjamas ribbon

skirt sweater wore

pants thought without

toque stubborn clothing

shoes pockets weekend

outfit raincoat

Vocab: We have a test of our first 4 units on Tuesday. Remember to review your sheets in your orange folders, they have all of the words and the meanings.

Grammar: We will work on fixing run on sentences.

Grade 6

Mr. VanderHooft

Memory Work

Psalm 25:1,2 (know for Fri., Nov. 4)

Bible

Continuing with *The Patriarchs*. We aim to complete the unit with a test on Nov. 10, that we may include this unit in the first term report card mark.

Math

Our first BIG test in math was today. Results will be sent home next week. We will begin a new unit on Number Sense, the first topics being Place Value, Expanded Form, Comparing and Ordering. Then, we will move on to re-grouping – adding and subtracting large numbers.

ELA

Our new writing activity is not as simple as it looks. Focussing especially on *voice* is a tricky goal. We will continue with this project. We will also have an open-book quiz on the recent chapters of *The Sign of the Beaver*.

Social Studies

Our second unit test – *Manitoba Becomes a Province* – was held today. The next unit is a natural extension – Adding Provinces and Territories.

Science

We hope to begin a unit in Science as well – *Electricity*.

Miss Jager

Grade 7:

Dear Parents,

I can't believe October is almost done! Wow, this is the fastest year yet! This week we have worked on our Bible unit and the tests, on the whole, were well done. Good job! Also, we have been learning some interesting facts about latitude and longitude- ask your child if they can find the coordinates for the middle of the Island Madagascar [a prize may be awaiting them].

In two weeks we will be having a week totally designated to WWII. So, if you know any stories that your child can share about relatives, facts, or stories of the war, please inform them. We will be doing many interesting activities for the whole week. Any ideas or suggestions please write a note in your child's agenda. Thanks!

Next week students will have an O.T Books Quiz on Tuesday, I.A on Wednesday, and a Vocab and

Spelling Test on Friday.

Have a great weekend! ☺

Mr. Gunnink (Gr. 8)

Reformed Studies: Next week students will be preparing lessons to teach to their classmates. Each lesson teaches a different passage from Mark and each lesson covers a different characteristic which Jesus revealed about himself.

Social Studies: Earliest Civilizations of Mesopotamia wrap-up and review. Test later in the week.

Math: Math tests were returned today; I was surprised by some of the results both good and not so. Next week: problem solving, review of fractions as parts of wholes.

Science: Water systems – Geological features at Sea and on Land.

ELA: *The Hobbit* and associated reflection exercises.

FYI - Spelling – Students are keeping track of and practicing challenging words that they come across in their readings. Each

week two new words are added while words that they have successfully spelled three weeks in a row are removed.

Phys. Ed.: Fitness testing and lacrosse.

Grade 8 – *Mr. Lodder*

Your brain is somewhat like the filing cabinet in Mr. Gunnink's room? What's that all about? Ask and you might learn something interesting today!

Mrs. DeWit

ELA 40S Dates for the Research Essay: Sources and web Fri. Oct. 28

- Outline Tues. Nov. 1
- Writing Variables Nov. 2
- Rough Draft and Peer editing Wed. Nov. 16
- Final copy and bibliography Wed. Nov. 23

Scrapbook alert: You should have completed the third entry of the second set for today.

As we reach the end of The Importance of Being Earnest

today, students will work on three separate response or essay questions. These are to be completed in class on Monday, Oct. 31. On Tuesday, students will write two test questions (open book), and on Wednesday, we will begin with Shakespeare's Hamlet.

ELA 10F

Today we began our short story unit, after this we will move on to research methods. Students will be required to do a research essay which involves opinion and should be looking for a topic and research material. Magazines such as *Perspective*, *Time*, *Macleans* do provide good articles on current issues. The longer ones are usually well researched and do provide a lot of information about a topic.

Our short story unit involves the reading of several short stories, a review of the organization of a short story, character analysis, and a review of the relation of climax to the intent of the author towards a certain audience. At the end of this unit students will write a short story which must be set in a local location well known to the student. It will be in

Today's time and the story will convey a particular thought or message to the reader.

Reformed Studies 31G We are just completing our second unit, the intertestament time using the prophecies of Daniel. As well, we briefly looked at Jewish groups and customs. The test date for this unit is scheduled for Nov. 1. Our third unit is an exercise on Bible Study which we will complete Nov. 2-4.

Exam dates for this half course are Nov. 9 and 10. It will be an in-class exam which will take up 2 class periods.

Students are reminded that all assignments must be completed and handed in before the beginning of the exam on Nov. 9.

Mr. Hoogerdijk

Chemistry 30S

We've completed a fair bit of review on naming compounds. We'll take the next step this coming week by connecting this to identifying, writing, and balancing chemical equations. We hope to get a demo or two in, as well as an experiment – all to help with understanding the

concepts.

Reminder to students to continue working on their articles!

Desktop Publishing and Web Design 35S

Students are working on their last assignment, their major assignment in desktop publishing. From here we'll be moving on to our Web Design component of the course.

AICT 15F

Students wrote a test today. We'll be moving on to some further features on Microsoft Word in the coming week.

We will also continue to work through our keyboarding material.

Physics 30S

We have moved on to applying standing wave patterns to musical instruments, particularly wind instruments; to see how sound can be formed in them. We are specifically looking at the formation of certain frequencies of sound and what restricts the types of sounds that can be formed.

Mr. Lodder

Reformed Studies 41 G

We have turned our attention toward Paul's life and work, concentrating on the Epistle to the Galatians.

The completed research essay is due on Monday, October 31. Some students have taken advantage of handing it in early for me to preview and to get suggestions for improvement. I'm really excited with what I've seen so far!

Reformed Studies 21 G

Module 3 has us considering the so-called "Writings," the wisdom literature in the Scripture.

Mr. Raap

Applied Math 12: Finance Unit – Test on Friday. Students will be having their midterm on Nov. 8.

Applied Math 11: Statistics Test will be Tuesday

PE 10: Ultimate/Lacrosse

PE 11/12: Volleyball / Fitness test for the boys on Friday!

Mr. Ellens

Science 10 – Grade 9

Next week there will be homework checks and a quiz.

English 30 – Grade 11

Next week we will be wrapping up *The Crucible* there will be presentations, a reflection and a test.

Math 10 – Grade 9

This week we will be studying linear relationships.

Science 20 – Grade 10

This week there will be a review.

Biology 40 – Grade 12

This week we will be finishing with a review in anticipation of our first large test.

***From the Library
Remember Your Books
on Library Day!!***

Library Days

Wednesdays: **Kindergarten**

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

K-3

Lia VanLaar-Ballet Sisters

Carter Veldman-Farm

Machines/Busy Tractors, Busy Days

Xander Klaassen-Palomino

Horses/Icelandic Ponies

Joel deRuiter-Jumping/Cars

4-6

Jesse Borst-Asterix and the Golden Sickle

Michael Riedstra-Draw 50

Airplanes, Aircraft, and Spacecraft

Congratulations Grade 4 &

Grade 6 - NO OVERDUE

BOOKS!!

7 – 12

This is a reminder that the following books are due to be returned on Mon. Oct. 31/11.

If you would like your books renewed, please talk to the librarian or you may place your name on the sign-out sheet and write “renew”

beside the book title.

Melissa Hamming-The Calculus Affair/Mandie and the Midnight Journey/Mandie and the Secret Tunnel

Martin Doornbos-Ulterior Motives

Nathan Beichter-Work & Leisure/Responsible Conduct/Choosing Your Career/Christian Decision Manual

Helena Borst-Matthew Henry's Commentary Vol. 6

Geertje Doornbos-Lifeviews/Separation of Church and State

Vanessa Koster-Ecclesiastes

Brendan Nijenhuis-Illustrated Bible Handbook

Philip Rook-Response to Your Baptism

Brittney deRuiter-Corrie Ten Boom/Zucchini Warriors

Shalyn VanderGugten-The Puzzle at Pineview School

Kim Bergsma-Tunnels of Tyranny/Tunnels of Terror

Joseph Hoogerdijk-When a Neighbour Comes

Calling/Danger in the Shadows/The Negotiator

Stephanie VanderVelde-The

Lies of Saints

Tianna Wanders-The Bridge

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

Michael Riedstra-Draw 50 Airplanes, Aircraft, and Spacecraft

[pre] New Year's Resolution
WORKOUT

LADIES, YOUNG and OLD!
Mom's daughters, students, friends; come one, come all!

Bring your weights (or soup cans☺) and your running shoes!

Exercise every Wednesday night at the DCS gym at 8-9 pm. We will be doing a Gillian Michaels workout video. Please do not be intimidated! It is not a hard workout to do; there is not a lot of confusing steps- it's simple, but you will feel it the next day!

Hope to see you all there! [Ages 12 and up!]



Happy
Birthday to
**Mrs.
Jennifer
Wiebe** for

Sunday, Oct. 30

We wish you a wonderful day with family and friends and the Lord's blessing for the years ahead!

