



JOHN KNOX
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TALKS



Micah 6:8 & Romans 12:9-12

“Love in Action”

Theme Verse 2021-2022

Umpires Needed

Next Monday, June 6, the Grade 7/8s will be playing in their 2-Pitch tournament hosted at the diamonds in Camlachie. We are still looking for one umpire for the tournament. If you know baseball and are available on the 6th, please let Mr. Vanderwoerd (gwoerd@gmail.com) know. Thanks!

District Field Day

Students who are competing in the meet in Strathroy received a letter last Friday. The letter also included the events and times for your child's event. Please communicate with the office if you have any questions or if you are driving your child to the meet. The bus will leave from the school parking lot at 7:40 am.

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Monday,
May 30, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 30

Helping Hands Meeting 7:45 pm

Wednesday, June 1

District Track & Field (Strathroy)
(Rain date is Thursday, June 2)

Ed Committee Meeting

Friday, June 3

Hot Luncheon Fundraiser

Monday, June 6

Two Pitch Tournament - Camlachie
Field Trip Grade 4-6 Lambton Centre

Tuesday, June 7

Field Trip Grade 3, 4, 5- Moore Museum
Field Trip JKS to Jagts

Wednesday, June 8

Field Trip SKS to Jagts
Grad Trip (June 8 - June 10)
Board Committee Meeting

Hot Lunch Fundraiser

On Friday Jeff Tweedy and Jen Phillips will be making french fries and pogos for our students. Orders for this fundraiser were due last Friday. We thank these two parents for their willingness to serve the students and treat us to a delicious lunch!

Lost and Found

There is a table by the staff room with a large number of unclaimed items. Each teacher has taken their class by the table. If you are at the school please take a moment to check it out.

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome Miss Christine Hotke to our teaching staff for the 2022/2023 school year. Miss Hotke will be teaching in the grade 5/6 class. We are looking forward to having her on our staff and for her to share with us her gifts of coaching and teaching math and science.

Ontario Election

Our school will serve as a polling station on Thursday, June 2 for the Ontario Election. Please be aware of extra cars in the parking lot and extra guests in the building.

Graduation 2022

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 22 at 7:30 pm as that will be the date and time we celebrate our Grade 8s. This year the graduation ceremony will take place in our very own gymnasium! More info will follow in the next week or so.



Classroom News

KINDERSTART

Mrs. Robinson / Mrs. Bos

Why “wh”?

Memory Work: We will continue to review Psalm 23 in its entirety as well as begin to learn the school graduation song, “The Blessing”.

Bible: The Good Samaritan - Luke 10:25-37
Mary and Martha - Luke 10:38-42

Show and Tell: The final digraph for this year is “wh”. Students can bring a show and tell item with this digraph or an item of their own choosing. They can also bring in something related to our new unit of study, “Plants”.

Handwriting: We are nearing the end of our handwriting books! The remainder of the year for JK will consist of some review of uppercase letter, an introduction to lowercase letter as well as completing the last of our number and colour work. SK students will continue to work on sentence writing with a focus on letter formation and spacing.

SK Phonics: During the final few weeks of school, students will be reviewing their phonemic awareness skills. They will also be assessed on their ability to identify phonemes, rhyme, count syllables and manipulate words.

Theme of the Week: A short new unit on the topic of plants and gardening is beginning this week. We will start by discussing different types of plants and exploring the area around of our school to see which varieties grow here. We will also discuss what a living thing is, the parts of a plant and what is necessary for a plant to grow. Everyone will be planting a royal burgundy bush bean which has been provided by Lambton County Library. This is in conjunction with the “One Seed Lambton” project. More information on this project as well as an additional package of seeds will be sent home with each KinderStart student. Please take time to read the informational brochure to learn where fresh produce can be donated in Lambton County.

Happy Birthday! We want to wish our SK friend, Harlon a very happy 6th birthday! Harlon will be celebrating this milestone on June 1.

Class Picnics: A note concerning the class picnic on June 7 (JK) and June 8 (SK) was sent home last week with the June calendar. Please let Mrs. Robinson or Mrs. Bos know if you did not receive either the letter or calendar. Students and parents who are accompanying us on the picnic are asked to send in \$4/person if they wish to have the hotdog lunch provided. The lunch money must be sent to school by this Friday, June 3. Please contact Mrs. Robinson if you have any questions concerning this field trip or wish to join as a parent chaperone.

Schedule Note: The last day of JK will be on Tuesday, June 21 and the last day of SK will be Wednesday, June 22.

Classroom News

GRADE 1

Mrs. Tetreault

“Phonics: We will wrap up long ‘A’ and begin long ‘I’ this week!

Spelling: *made, shape, take, game, brave, time, ride, size, five*

Math: We are adding and subtracting numbers to 50!

Track and Field: Wow! Students in grade 1 did so well last week at Track and Field Day! Parents, you may be hearing or reading about District field day. Students are eligible to move on to the district level once they're in grade 2. On Wednesday I will be away with the track team, so a substitute teacher will be filling in in grade 1 for the day.

Plants: We have learned so much about plants in grade 1. This week we'll wrap things up by studying flowers and fruit. On Thursday, June 9 we will have a test on our plant unit.

French: This week we'll finish up our unit on the rooms of a house. I will be assessing students orally on the French vocabulary we've been working on.

Field Trip: On June 14 we will be going to the Lambton Centre for archery, a low-ropes course and a hike! Would you like to join us for this year-end trip? I'm looking for 2-3 more parents to chaperone the grade 1 class.

Graduation: It's been 3 years since we've had a normal JKCS graduation! That means this class wasn't even in school yet! Please mark your calendars for the evening of June 22; we will be celebrating our grade 8s together as a school community. Students in all grades will be part of a choir performance of "The Blessing" that evening!

Mrs. VanDenAssem

Bible: This week we will learn about Elijah being taken up to heaven, Naaman's healing, and the beginning of the exile of Israel and Judah.

Memory Work: Students should be able to say the following memory verse independently by Friday, June 3.

Galatians 6:9-10

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Classroom News

GRADE 2

Mrs. Ferguson

Memory Work: Our memory work for this week is found in Romans 8: 31, 32.

“If God is for us, who is against us? He did not even spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all. How will He not also, with Him grant us everything?”

I will listen to memory work on Friday, June 3.

Phonics: Our focus this week is on the suffixes -er and -est. We will learn that -er can be used to show someone who does something (teacher, baker) or can be used to compare (bigger, lighter).

Spelling: Our spelling words for this week are: **teacher, baker, bigger, lighter, cleanest, slowest, oldest, strongest, bravest and tallest.** Our spelling test will be on Friday, June 3.

Math: This week we will begin to look at Graphing. We will begin by seeing how we can take some information that has been collected and organise it in a way that it can be shown in a graph. We will focus on pictographs and bar graphs this week.

Writing: We will finish up our fiction stories this week and soon they will be coming home! For Art this week we will be creating one clay picture much like the pictures in Barbara Reid’s books, to go with our story.

Science: We had a wonderful time of learning last Friday as some volunteers from the Pinery Provincial Park came to visit us and show us some examples of the different animal groups. Our focus this week will be on Birds as we investigate the characteristics that make all birds unique to this group. Wednesday we will have a scavenger hunt in our classroom as we find and discover facts about birds.

Social Studies: We will focus on the special celebrations that are unique to Australia this week. We are getting ready for a “class trip” to Australia before the end of the school year!

Track and Field: Some of our class will be away at the district track and field meet this Wednesday as they go and represent our school. We pray that this will be a wonderful day of competition. I will be going with our team to the district meet so the grade twos will join with the grade threes for a day of learning.

Classroom News

GRADE 3

Mrs. Bouma

We had two special guests last week! We are grateful that Mrs. Boeringa from the Lambton library and two naturalists from the Pinery could add some hands-on learning to our week. Along with field day, it was a wonderful week. Can you believe we have only four more weeks of school?

Spelling: We are on Lesson 29 this week and our focus is on homonyms -- words that sounds the same but have different spellings and meanings like night and knight, and our and hour. Test on Friday!

Parts of Speech: Prepositions is our focus this week! Only two parts of speech left to learn.

Reading: Our last reading unit of the year will focus on Forces Causing Motion. As we read we will understand how asking questions help us to understand what we are reading which will lead to better comprehension.

Math: This week we will finish up our graphing unit. Our focus will be on: I can create a graph with given information, I can interpret graphs by answering questions, and I can figure out the mode and mean on a graph.

French: Our last French unit is one of review. We will stretch our minds all the way back to the beginning of the year and see how much vocabulary we still remember and if we can use it to answer questions we learned throughout the year.

Mrs. Noordam

Memory Work: Psalm 8:5 - 6

'Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him
*with glory and honour. You have given him dominion over the work of your hands;
you have put all things under his feet."*

Please work on verse 5-6 and the test will be this Friday (on all 6 verses!).

Bible - On Friday we will be having a final test on our unit entitled, 'Forty Years in the Wilderness". We will review this week and a review sheet was sent home on Friday.

Science - We will look at how birds have different types of beaks and how we can tell what they eat by just looking at the shape of their beak!

Student projects are mostly completed and throughout the coming days students will have an opportunity to present to their classmates what they learned about the bird they studied.

Field Trip - Thank you to the volunteers who are coming for the day to the Moore Museum! Please refer to the information sheet on what your child can wear and how to pack a lunch for this exciting adventure!

Classroom News

GRADE 4/5

Mrs. Gagnon

Bible: This week, grade 4/5 will turn their focus to the freedom we are given in Christ as His followers. The class will look at Paul's messages to the Colossians of how they are to keep their focus on Jesus amidst the distractions of the world.

We will be moving on to a new memory verse this week:

"So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God." (Colossians 3: 1, CSB).

Literacy

Reading: In our reading lessons, we will focus on, 'reading like a writer.' In other words, we will read a few examples of texts in our Nelson literacy books, where the author has carefully chosen words or phrases to inform their audience and to give their writing a strong voice.

Writing: Students will conclude writing their biographies this week and will continue to edit their work as they complete each body paragraph. The goal of this week is for students to write about the achievements of their chosen person in spite of their disabilities.

Spelling and Grammar: Students will receive their spelling lists on **Monday, May 30th** and will be given time on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday in class to practice their words. Further to this, students will need to spend time practicing words at home in order to be well-prepared for their formal test on **Friday, June 3rd**. In our grammar lessons we will practice identifying sentence fragments and run-on sentences so that we can find and correct them in our written work.

Science: The class will begin the week by reviewing observations made in their latest science experiment on energy transformation. In the latter part of the week, we will begin reviewing the concepts we have learned in our science unit this term. This would include renewable and non-renewable sources of energy, laws of the conservation of energy and energy transformation. Students will be tested on the concepts we have covered on **Friday, June 3rd**.

Math: At the end of last week, grade 4 students began their next unit on Fractions. At the beginning of the week, students will continue to review what they remember of fractions, how to write them and the different parts of a fraction. As the week progresses, students will learn how to compare fractions and how to determine which fractions are equivalent to each other. Although we have completed multiplication and division for this year, students are strongly encouraged to continue to practice their times tables in order to improve their confidence with them.

Art: Students in grades 4, 5 and 6 will complete their Andy Goldsworthy land art pieces this week and will also complete a written reflection where they evaluate their use of Goldsworthy's techniques and how they included different elements of art in their work.

Classroom News

GRADE 5/6

Mr. Gagnon

Field Trip Announcement: There was a mistake in last weeks Grade 5/6 Knox Talks about the trip to the Lambton Centre. The date is actually on the 6th of June (Monday). We are still looking for two parent volunteers who may be willing to assist us on the day. If you are interested, please e-mail or call the office.

Bible: In Bible, we are exploring the Last Battle and the imagery that John uses in Revelation 13. We'll then head over to learn about the New Heaven and Earth as described in Revelation 21 and 22.

Our memory verse for this week comes from Revelation 4: 9-10 (ESV):

*And they sang a new song, saying,
"Worthy are you to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth."*

P.S. Memory verse quiz will be this Friday.

Math: In Grade 5, we are starting our next unit on Ratios where we'll learn the terminology and use it to describe ratios of quantities and how to find equivalent ratios as well. Their work with equivalent fractions will assist in this manner.

Science: This week, Grade 5/6 we will be exploring a case study into the impact of solar farms and pipe lines and how they can help and impact others. To finish off our unit, a Science Test is being scheduled for Friday, June 3rd with a review sheet being handed out on the Monday to help students prepare for it.

Writing/Reading: In Writing, students will be using their articles to begin writing their report on their renewable source. This week we'll be working on finishing our rough copy and heading into the editing stages that will help us with our good copies the week after.

In Reading, we'll be reading and completing different skills lessons about our novel study has the following week will have us completing the book and starting our culminating activity to wrap up the unit. *P.S.: Spelling test this Friday. Be sure to practice writing your spellings each night to prepare for the test.*

Music: We will be focusing on completing our belts, as well as, learning a new singing song for the Grade 8 graduation.

Gym: This week, due to district, we'll be playing some team based games to work on sportsmanship and working as a team.

Mrs. Lisson

Grade 6 Math: Our last unit for the year is on patterning. Students will be able to describe patterns in geometry and in number sequences as they relate to graphs. The algebra test will come home later this week.

Classroom News

GRADE 7 & 8

Mr. Vanderwoerd

2-Pitch Tournament: On Monday, June 6, the 2-Pitch team will be playing at our tournament in Camlachie. Students will be able to come to school by bus in the morning and make it to the tournament on time. However, in the afternoon, please make arrangements for your child to be picked up from the diamond (6767 Camlachie Rd, Camlachie, ON N0N 1E0) when the tournament ends, which will be about 1:30 or 2:30, depending on how the team does.

Drivers Needed for Grade 7 Field Trip to Lorne C. Henderson – June 9: Next Thursday, the Grade 7s will be heading to Lorne C. Henderson for some geocaching from 12:30-2:30. We will need 3 drivers to bring the Grade 7s there, and it would be excellent if one or two of them could stick around as chaperones for the field trip, too. If you can drive and/or chaperone, please let me know.

Grad Trip: The Grade 8s will be heading to Fair Glen in only 9 days! Details about the trip, specifically about drop-off and pick-up timing on Wednesday and Friday, will come via email at some point this week. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Math: We have a **quiz tomorrow**. Grade 7's is about 3-D drawings, and Grade 8's is about angle measurements and patterns.

Bible: We continue learning about Job and the way that his friends react to his hardships.

Spelling & Memory Work: We will have no new spelling or memory work assigned for this week.

Geography: We will be finishing up our global inequalities unit this week. Our Unit Test will be this **Friday, June 3**.

Science: This week, we will be finishing up our unit on solutions and mixtures. We will have a unit review this week, then an end-of-unit assignment next week Tuesday.

Literacy: We are looking to finish *The Bronze Bow* by next Tuesday. Students might have to do a little bit of reading some nights this week so that we can stay on track.

Mrs. Lisson

Grade 7/8 French: Students will need to know the verbs pouvoir, vouloir, and devoir for a quiz this Friday. Students have study sheets in their binders.

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

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

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