

November 10, 2011

We Remember:

Today we gathered to remember and honour those who have fought for the freedom we enjoy. Students shared scripture, prayers, poems and artwork about Remembrance Day and peace, at our annual Remembrance Day service.

This week the Grade 5 class spent time reflecting on Remembrance Day. They created poppies in Art class which were placed together to make a wreath for the Remembrance Day service. Reading the poem, "In Flanders Fields" helped them to realize the significance of the poppy we wear today and the sacrifice many soldiers made for our freedom. As students studied Canada in Social Studies, they were reminded how wonderful our country truly is. We have so much to be thankful for, especially the peace and freedom in our nation. During morning devotions, the grade 5s have taken time to thank God for Canada, for all the men and women who serve our country, and the safety we experience each day.



The Scholastic Book Fair is here!

Students in K to G8 have filled out wish lists. Come take a look and get a head start on your Christmas shopping. The fair will be open during Parent/Teacher Interviews on Nov. 15, from 9am-8pm.

The Silent Auction is 2 ½ weeks away!

Saturday, November 26th at 5:30pm. Tickets are selling fast! They are available through the office for \$20/ticket or a table of 8 for \$140. You won't want to miss this great event. What can you expect?

A fully catered dinner provided by our high school students under the direction of "chef" Gauthier. The menu includes: bison perogies with saskatoons and caramelized onions, stuffed chicken breast with goat cheese and prosciutto, potatoes gratin dauphinoise, hazelnut caramel baked Alaska, and much more.

Enjoy live music from a variety of musicians. **Play Heads and Tails** to win at weekend get-a-way to Canmore.

Bid on items in the silent and live auction. Items include the classroom theme baskets, electronics, restaurant gift certificates, children's toys and books, home décor, art, spa certificates, tools, Oilers tickets, an iPad, family ski package to Jasper, a Christmas date night package in Edmonton, a 9 foot fully lit Christmas tree with Country Pumpkin ornaments, etc.

Parent/Teacher Interviews: Nov. 15 from 9am-8pm.

We strongly encourage you to make time to meet with your child's teacher. Please call the school to book an appointment.

Student Council is hosting Twin Day on Fri. Nov. 18.

Come dressed the same as someone else (or a group of people). Cost: \$2.00.

There will be prizes for:

1. The largest group that looks the same.
2. The most creative/original twin.
3. The most identical twins.

K to G 6 will be competing against each other and G 7-12 will be competing against each other. Prizes will be awarded after each Chapel on Friday the 18th.

Upcoming Events at LWCA:

- Nov. 10-18: Scholastic Book Fair in the Library
- Nov. 10: Remembrance Day Service 10:30am
Café Diem: French Bistro
- Nov 11-15: Fall Break – No School
- Nov. 15: Parent/Teacher Interviews 9am-8pm
- Nov. 18: Band Hotdog Hot Lunch
- Nov. 25: Teacher Day – No School
- Nov. 26: 10th Annual Dinner & Silent Auction 5:30pm
- Dec. 2: Band Hotdog Hot Lunch
- Dec. 9: Café Diem: Chinese
Subway Hot Lunch
- Dec. 15: Living Waters' Christmas Concert 7pm
- Dec. 16: Sandyview Farms Hot Lunch
- Dec. 24 - Jan. 8: Christmas Break – No School

Elementary Updates

Pre-School: We have been learning all about safety this month, specifically in regards to traffic and safe play. Pre-schoolers can now sing fun songs about staying safe and learning the rules.

Kindergarten: Over the past couple weeks we have been learning about the story of Abraham. We learned how God promised to make Abraham into a great nation, and have a family as numerous as the stars. We are now learning about Jacob and Esau and how Jacob cooked up a plan to get Esau's birthright! The Kindergarten students are really enjoying acting out and learning these important Bible stories.

Grade 1: In Language Arts, we are focusing on reading, reading and READING. Words are everywhere in our grade one classroom and the world around us. Students are constantly encouraged to look around them and try to sound out new words and read words they already know. As a class, we are working on strategies to decode new words. We love to read in grade one!

Grade 2: In Language Arts we have been learning about sentence writing. We talked about different ways that we can serve God through sentences. They can encourage, warn, speak truth, and cheer people up. Here is a silly sentence by Kyla: A spicy band aid lurched through the wilderness three hundred years ago. Did that make you smile?

Grade 3: We just started a new unit in Science called Building with a Variety of Materials. During this unit, students use recyclable materials such as toilet paper rolls and kleenex boxes to design and construct different kinds of structures. So far, students have made flower vases and napkin holders. Students have been challenged to do their best work for God, as we are commanded in 2 Timothy 2:15.

Grade 4: It was an exciting day in Science on Monday. We made recycled paper as a final project in our Waste and Our World unit. It has been incredible to see, over this past couple months, how the students have embraced the idea of reducing, reusing and recycling so that they can be good stewards of the world God has given to us. I pray that their passion would spread to make a difference in our school, our community and even our country!

Grade 5: Students have started their new Science unit on Electricity and Magnetism! The unit started off with a "spark" as we discussed what we already know about electricity. And let me tell you, the Grade 5s know a lot! We have become Safety Smart as we learned how electricity can be very dangerous. Tip of the week: Luv a plug! (aka: pull a cord out of an outlet by the base and not by the wire).

Grade 6: This week in Science, students are very excited to don their detective caps and begin their new unit "Evidence and Investigation". Throughout this unit, students will discover how different types of evidence are used to help investigators solve crimes.

Secondary Updates

Grade 7: Students are busy working on their wax museum projects for leadership class. They are writing speeches from the perspective of a leader of their choice and designing a backdrop for their presentation.

Grade 8: Students are studying the names of Jesus and how each name provides us with a more complete (and complex) picture of who He is.

Science 10: In our Ecology unit we are framing the concepts of the scientific method, interactions within the biosphere, food webs, and the unique properties of water. We looked into various assumptions we have and their impact on scientific discovery and our ecological choices. Looking at our culture from a Biblical perspective allows us to realize some of the impact and consequences that our choices make.

Religious Studies 15: We are continuing our look at how our Bible came to be. We have been specifically looking at the apocryphal books, why they were canonized by the Roman Catholic church and not in the Protestant churches, the struggles around the time of the reformation, and the translation of the Bible into English.



Warriors' Volleyball:

Congratulations to the Jr. A boys who won 2nd place in Association on Monday evening. Also, congratulations to our Jr. A girls who took home 3rd place in Association. Great season, Warriors!

Congratulations to our Sr. boys who won 1st at the PICS tournament. The winner of the PICS tournament has the distinction of competing in the annual Edmonton Christian School (ECS) tournament against teams of very high caliber. They played hard and won 2nd place!

Congratulations to our Sr. girls who took home 2nd place in our 6th annual Living Waters' tournament.

This week, our senior teams complete league games. They'll battle for the banner Nov. 18-19.

Junior high volleyball players: after your season, please wash your jersey and personally hand it in to Mrs. Hoffman within a week of your season ending.

Spanish: Miss Sawatzky is thrilled to see Spanish students understanding and using more complex language. Lately, students in Jr. High and High School have been developing cultural understanding, along with newfound language skills, through listening to authentic Spanish music and commercials. It has been great to see students engaged in the music while learning new grammar and vocabulary.

Living Waters is now equipped with an AED machine (automated external defibrillator). It is located outside of the office. This machine was purchased with money donated from Jessica Colban & Ashley Secord, who won a UFA small town heroes award of \$1,000 for their involvement in fundraising for Zach Klassen. The money was matched by the Klassen family. Thank you for donating to your school!