



*Training covenant children for a life of thankful and obedient service to God and our neighbour*

## Dear Parents

Welcome, Parents and other friends of MCS! With a week and a bit under our belt we can see a return to the routine of school. The playground is likely the most challenging part, but the students are making the best of things. If your child requires alternate arrangements for bus transportation, a note is needed from the office for the driver. Please send your requests to [info@mcsfergus.ca](mailto:info@mcsfergus.ca). We ask that you limit such requests as much as possible because the buses are running at capacity. Thank you. Also, for our 'walkers,' please be aware that our K-4 students walk in front of the school when they get off the bus in the morning. There have been some cars moving around while they are walking by to get to the rear of the building. Read on to find out what is happening in the various classrooms.

## Kindergarten

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 8:1(due (W/Th); **Text:** Eph. 6: 10-11a

**Bible Study:** M Sabbath Rest Tu/W Man's Fall Th Cain-Abel

**Math:** Numbers 4 and 5; describing objects

**Language Arts:** Letters "Ss" and "Aa" sight word: "here"

**Science:** Living/Non-living

## Grade One A

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**Memory Work:** Song: Ps 99:1 Text: Gen.1:1,31a

**Bible Study:** God calls Abraham

**Math:** Finishing and making various patterns.

**Phonics:** first sounds in a word

**Writing:** the formation of the letters IJKLM

**Social Studies:** God, the King of the universe, knows us by name!

**Library:** our library day is Thursday. Septembers author is Graeme Base

**Art:** Primary colours!

**Music:** fast/slow, high/low and thanksgiving songs

**PE:** participating vigorously in fitness games

**Show & Tell:** M Jacob T Jayden W Katy T Kylie F Michael

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 99:1(Sep22); **Text:** Eph. 6:10,11a

**Bible Study:** Abram & Sarai

**Church History:** Church Life - The Good Shepherd calls His sheep to worship him.

**Math:** Sorting & Patterns

**Phonics:** We are continuing to review letter names and work on phonemic awareness. We are isolating end sounds and identifying beginning sounds.

**Sight Words:** of, in, is, you

**Writing:** We are learning how to write complete sentences. We wrote about recess in our journals this week.

**French:** Comment ca va? Ca va bien, Ca va mal, Comme ci comme ca

**Social studies:** God knows me by name!

**Show & Tell:** M Joshua T Abby Th Lacey F Taya

## Grade Two A

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 96:8(Sep22), Ps 150:1(Sep29); **Text:** Eph 6:10-11a(Sep15), Luk 1:68-69(Sep29)

**Bible Study:** Correction: Tomorrow we will have a quiz on the 3 lessons from this week. **T** Joseph's Call **W** The Birth of Christ **Th** Jesus Presented at the Temple **F** review/quiz

**Math:** We continue to review skip counting (by 2s & 5s). We are working with patterns and looking at the patterns in numbers – (also the patterns we see when skip counting). We are working at using subitizing to learn addition facts.

**Language Arts:** Work continues on assessing where students are regarding Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, and Reading, as well as filling in background knowledge necessary for understanding the first story in our Open Court reader. Spelling

consists mostly of words which can be phonetically decoded and therefore also spelled phonetically, though occasionally, there may be part of a word that is considered a "heart" word. (See if your child can tell you what that means!) Students have been working at learning how to properly do each assignment in their first unit. After a few units, as they become familiar with the procedures, they will know how to do assignments in all the units.

**PE:** We have PE first thing on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Students should be prepared with the proper clothing to participate in all activities

**(Monday): Church History:** We worship a holy God!

**Math:** Attributes of 3D solids - faces, edges, vertices

**Grammar:** Types of sentences: statements begin with a capital letter and end with a period.

**Writing:** All about me: My favourite things!

**Social Studies:** God made 7 continents

**Science:** Solids & Liquids: We will review matter (anything that takes up space and has weight) and solids. We will also begin to explore the properties of liquids by experimenting with a variety of different liquids! We will do our best to stay dry.

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**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 62:1(Sep15), Ps 96:8(Sep22); **Text:** Eph 6:10,11a(Sep15)

**Bible Study:** **M** The Birth of John the Baptist **W** Joseph's Call **Th** The Birth of Jesus

**Church History:** Our first unit is called "Church Life." We will be focusing on the liturgy of our church services this week.

**M/W/Th Math:** We are working through Unit 1: Sorting & Patterning.

**T/F Math:** We are working through Unit 6: 3D Shapes.

**Language Arts:** We will be starting our first story in our open Open Court readers: Come Back, Jack. **Grammar:** Subject & Predicate. **Writing:** Trait #1: Organization.

**Science:** Our first unit is on solids and liquids.

**PE:** We are continuing with Unit 7: Cooperative Games.

## Grade Three

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A big thank you to Mrs. DeHaan, who will be coming in on most Friday's to assist with vocabulary word practice, while I'm testing memory work. Vocabulary Words are assigned in Language Arts class on most Fridays (listed below) and tested on Mondays in a mix and match format. Additionally, students need to know two of the vocabulary words well enough to use them in two descriptive sentences. That is something that can be practiced at home. Humorous sentences are welcome! We have enough chaperones for our up-coming science trip to the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology. Thank you to everyone who volunteered.

Sep 18-22, 2022 Lord willing...

**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 139:13(Sep22); **Text:** Gen 3:15(Sep29)

**Bible Study:** **M** Gen. 11:1-9 **T** Gen. 11:26-13:1 **W** Gen. 13:2-18 **Th** Gen. 14 **F** Gen. 15

**Grammar:** antonyms, homophones, base words  
**Vocab. Words:** darted, jangled, margins, scrawled(Sep18)  
**Math:** Recognizing Number Patterns  
**Science:** Structures: Increase rigidity to stabilize structures  
**PE:** Overhand Throw assessment

**Math:** We are working with multiples, factors and prime numbers.

**Science:** We are amazed at God's order in creation.

**PE:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Don't forget those PE clothes!

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**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 13: 1,2(Sep22); **Text:** Ps 32: 1-2(Sep29)

**Bible Study:** We will be having a small quiz on the first 6 lessons on Tuesday before we move onto learning how Israel will receive Saul as their first king.

**Math:** Place value, rounding, greater than, less than, equal to. Expanded form, word form, standard form. These are all words that students have been learning and we'll spend a couple more days on them before there will be a small quiz next week, which will be reviewed in class. We'll also have another few weeks of addition and subtraction practice before we move onto multiplication facts.

**Spelling words:** Lesson 2 pretest is on Monday, Post Test is on Friday. Words: woke, holes, won't, tore, wore, axe, rack, backward, draft, can't, camel, madly, began, mapping, crossing, across.

**Grammar:** We'll begin a unit on sentence structure, which compliments well with the writing unit on paragraph structure.

**Reading:** We studied story settings in the short story, *River's Rising*. The next story is called *A Wise King and a Wise Son*.

**PE:** While the weather is still nice out, we have a unit on outdoor activities, focussing on sportsmanship, teamwork and reviewing throwing and catching skills.

**Grade Five** *jkapteyn@mcsfergus.ca*

**Memory Work: Song:** Psalm 25:2(Sep22); **Text:** Luk 1:46-50(Sep29)

**Bible Study:** We will continue to see God preparing the way for Jesus, specifically through John the Baptist.

**Math:** We are finishing up a short first unit on patterns this week and hope to have a test late this week.

**Language Arts:** We continue to learn new vocabulary and see different themes in our novel study, *The House of Sixty Fathers*.

**Spelling:** Lesson 2: beam, seal, heap, cheat, peace, preach, reason, ideal, easy, dealing, reaches, reached, eastern, really, beaten, meantime, meanwhile, seashore, we've, we're

**Science:** We hope to wrap up our look at the skeletal system early this week by making our own skeletons. Next we move on to the muscular system.

**French:** Most weeks there will be short French quizzes on Fridays that will typically be 5-8 words. These word lists will be in students' agendas.

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 104:1(Sep22), Ps 148:1(Sep29); **Text:** Ps 8:1-5(Sep29)

**Bible Study:** We have started our second unit on the account of Abraham.

**Novel Study:** We continue to read *Underground to Canada*.

**Spelling:** Lesson 2 - evil, equal, decent, recent, meter, medium, senior, scene, complete, supreme, serious, severe, cheap, treaty, lease, eager, uneasy, gear, disappear, reflection. Bonus words: *adhesive, allegiance, appealing, keyboard, extremely*. Spelling tests on Friday.

**Calendar of Events**

Board Meeting	Sept 18
Picture Day(AM)	Sept 21
Terry Fox Walk	Sept 22
Soccer Tournament	Sept 30
Membership Meeting(8:00PM)	Oct 5
Cross Country 7&8	Oct 6
Assembly: Thanksgiving(Gr1A/1B)	Oct 6(2:30)
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 9

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Google Classroom for 6b is up and running! Please check in if you haven't done so already, we will regularly post study material and reminders about upcoming quizzes, tests, etc.

**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 104:1(Sep22)

**Bible Study:** Continuing Flood and the Tower of Babel. Test, Unit 1: Sep20.

**Church History:** We looked at Patrick, the spread of the gospel from Iona with Columba and Aiden, and the conclusions of Synod of Whitby, 664, about the tonsure and the date of Easter. This week we will look at the sad rise of Papal Power.

**Math:** to help us hone our "math brains", multiplication drills will begin on Monday. In Geometry we proceed from angles to constructing figures and nets.

**Language Arts:** Novel study *Underground to Canada* continues. We have started with a few lessons around the Armenian genocide; the next lesson or two will be about not just a mutt.

**Grammar and Writing:** There are good connections between these two subject areas, and we will make ample use of that.

**Spelling List:** evil, equal, decent, recent, metre, medium, senior, scene, complete, supreme, serious, severe, cheap, treaty, lease, eager, uneasy, gear, disappear, reflection, *adhesive, allegiance, appealing, keyboard, extremely*. Spelling tests on Fridays.

**Computers:** We will soon start using the Typing Club program and use available Typing slots across the curriculum.

**Science:** Our study of living things continues, focusing on the phylum *Chordata* and their shared characteristics.

**Social Studies:** We are part of a Very Special Community amidst many others. Which one?

**PE:** on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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<b>Monday</b>	Devotions: Kenzie Boys soccer practice
<b>Tuesday</b>	Devotions: Dustin Bring PE clothes Bible Quiz on Lesson 1-7 Girls soccer practice
<b>Wednesday</b>	Devotions: Melani Spelling Dictation: Lesson 2 Boys soccer practice
<b>Thursday</b>	Devotions: Cameron Bring PE clothes Picture Day! Girls soccer practice
<b>Friday</b>	Devotions: Derrick Bring PE clothes Memory Work: Psalm 4:3

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<b>Tuesday</b>	Unit 1 Math test (lessons 1.2, 1.3, 1.4)
<b>Wednesday</b>	Spelling lesson 2
<b>Friday</b>	Psalm 22:10 Chapter 1 History Test Terry Fox Walk reminder (PM)