



## Dear Parents

Welcome, Parents and other friends of MCS! I begin this week with a parental request. Some of you (understandably) park along the road when picking up your children. Would it be possible to park on the section of road between the school entrances? There are students who walk and bike and if you park on the 'town side' of the school's main driveway, these children do not have room to walk/bike. This leads to a potentially dangerous situation. Thank you for your consideration during these 'messy' times of construction. A reminder that we have a general membership meeting tonight which begins at 8:00 PM. Tomorrow our grade 7&8 students head off to Dundas Valley Park to participate (either by running or encouraging classmates) in the annual Cross Country Run. They should be back at school for our Thanksgiving Assembly at 2:30 hosted by our grade 1 classes. We wish you an enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday as we reflect on the grace that we have in Jesus Christ. And, upon our return, our Kindergarten B class has their first Friday at school. One final note: Bus Transfer requests are subject to space availability on the buses. All requests, including alternate stops on regular routes, are to be directed through the school. Please email to [info@mcsfergus.ca](mailto:info@mcsfergus.ca), or send in a note via your child. The driver may not drop off/pick up your child without official documentation from the school office. Read on to find out what is happening in the various classrooms.

## Kindergarten

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**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 56:1; **Text:** Ps 136:1

**Bible Study:** T Ishmael and Isaac W Abram Called Th Isaac Sacrificed F Ishmael and Isaac

**Math:** We begin our number sense unit working with the numbers 1 – 5.

**Language Arts:** Letters: Cc Kk Sight Word: we

**Science:** We will learn about leaves. If you have time on the weekend, please gather and press in a book some pretty leaves. We will be making our "Leaf Man" pictures.

*Don't forget Friday school for Kindergarten B!*

## Grade One A

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 93:4(Oct13); **Text:** Gen 17:7a(Oct25)

**Bible Study:** Jacob and Laban

**Math:** Using 5 and 10 frames

**Phonics:** Phonemic awareness review

**Writing:** the formation of the letters WXYZ

**Library:** our library day is Thursday. October's author is Elise Parsley

**Social Studies:** God has created each of us with different bodies, characteristics and emotions!

**Show & Tell:** T Georgia W Hudson T Jacob F Jayden

Thanksgiving Assembly: tomorrow grade 1 leads the thanksgiving assembly at 2:30pm!

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 93: 4, Hy 4: 1; **Text:** Gen 17: 7a

**Bible Study:** Esau & Jacob, Jacob steals the blessing, Jacob flees

**Church History:** Church Life - The Church Building

**Math:** Numbers 0-10 - numerals and words.

**Phonics:** /n/, /d/

**Reading Comprehension:** We will read The Very Last Leaf and learn about characters and events in a story.

**Sight Words:** Review

**Writing:** We are learning how to write complete sentences. We wrote a book about our Chudleigh's trip. Maybe you will see it come to your house soon!

**Social studies:** We are all created different: physical traits, character traits and emotional traits.

**Show & Tell:** Students are invited to take along/email me family pictures to share with the class. Students will have an opportunity to tell the class about their family for example, names, ages and maybe something they like to do as a family!

**T:** Rebecca **Th:** Dominic **F:** Zekiah

Hope to see you tomorrow @2:30pm for the Thanksgiving Assembly!

## Grade Two A

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**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 16:1(Oct6), Ps. 71:3(Oct13), Hy 15:1(Oct20); **Text:** Disciples' Names(Oct13)

**Bible Study:** T The Calling of the Disciples W The Miracle at Cana Th The Cleansing of the Temple F review/quiz

**Math:** Skip counting; subitizing/using subitizing to learn addition facts; patterns/patterns in numbers

**Language Arts:** Spelling Unit 3; Story Hour Starring Megan; radio plays

**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):** Happy Thanksgiving day!

## Grade Two B

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**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 16:1(Oct6), Ps 71:3(Oct13); **Text:** The Twelve Apostles

**Bible Study:** M Thanksgiving:) W The Baptism of Jesus Th The Temptation of Jesus

**Church History:** Our first unit is called "Church Life." We will be wrapping up our look at the church liturgy and having a quiz this week.

**M/W/Th Math:** Math Strategies: Using Patterns to Solve a Problem

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

**Language Arts:** We will be starting the next story in our Readers: Ant and the Three Little Figs.

**Spelling:** Unit 3 (short u). **Grammar:** Nouns. **Writing:** Trait #1: Organization.

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

**PE:** We are learning all about Balance and the Transfer of Weight!

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Please have a chapter book to read during sustained silent reading tomorrow during Language Arts. Oct. 10-13, 2023 Lord willing...

**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 77:1, 2(Oct13); **Text:** Gen 12:1-3(Oct13)

**Church History:** T/W Elders, Th/F Sharing each other's joy

**Math:** subtraction with regrouping

**Language Arts:** creative writing

**Vocabulary Words:** NA due to Thanksgiving Day

**Science:** center of gravity

**PE:** foot dribbling

## Grade Four

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**Memory Work: Song:** Hy 83:2(Oct13) **Text:** 1 Sam 15: 22(Oct13)

**Bible Study:** Saul's reign is coming to an end in our bible unit with a few more lessons/stories next week. Students are learning

that God is preparing the way for David to reign on the throne. The reign that our Savior descends from!

**Math:** The cue cards have been sent home to practice, with a letter of explanation. Please contact me with any questions you may have. After Thanksgiving weekend, we will be starting the sheets!

**Spelling:** Lesson 5: blade, blame, blaze, brave, shake, stake, skate, scale, lend, bend, melt, deck, flock, shock, blocks, pocket. These words will pretest on Tuesday (10) and post test on Friday (13).

**Reading:** Every Wednesday we will be taking a break from our readers and work explicitly on reading aloud and reading comprehension over short passages. The first topic is comparing and contrasting stories and characters.

#### Grade Five

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 46:2(Oct13); **Text:** Luk 2:10-14(Oct13)

**Bible Study:** We have been looking at how Jesus reveals himself as compassionate, powerful and mighty in different ways, through miracles, signs and teaching. Next we will be specifically looking at Jesus' teachings through the Sermon on the Mount.

**Math:** After going through addition and subtraction, we will bring our focus to multiplication and division.

**Language Arts:** We hope to finish up reading our novel by early this week with a comprehension test at the end of the week.

**Spelling:** Lesson 5: cute, amuse, excuse, usually, uniform, unit, pupil, choose, stoop, troop, foolish, loose, spoon, smooth, mood, junior, juicy, secure, surely, aren't.

**Science:** We have been studying God's amazing creation of the human body. Most recently looking at how blood is pumped throughout the body. This week we will look at the respiratory system and how we breathe.

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 50:5,6(Oct13), Ps 14:1(Oct20), **Text:** Ps 8:6-9(Oct13)

**Bible Study:** We continue our unit about Jacob and Esau.

**Math:** We will be focusing on division this week.

**Novel Study:** We have finished our novel study *Underground to Canada*. We will do some wrap up activities before our test.

**Spelling:** Lesson 5 - refuse, confuse, dispute, amusement, useless, issue, statue, value, valuable, discontinue, union, human, humor, jury, curious, figure, future, injure, insure, capture. *Challenge words: commute, urged, unique, utensils, youthful.* Spelling tests on Friday.

**Science:** We are finishing up our last few animal groups before our test on Friday.

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

#### Special Days

On Friday, October 13th, students and staff alike are invited to dress up for the fall weather in the most stereotypical Canadian way. Bring out your best denim (jeans), plaid, toques, boots and braids for a fun day celebrating the fall season.

#### Calendar of Events

Membership Meeting	Oct 5(8:00PM)
Cross Country 7&8	Oct 6
Assembly: Thanksgiving(Gr1A/1B)	Oct 6(2:30PM)
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 9
Kindergarten B Friday	Oct 13
Canadian Tuxedo Day	Oct 13
LINK Due	Oct 18
Teachers' Convention	Oct 26/27
Assembly: Reformation Day(6B/8)	Oct 31(8:45AM)
Interim reports	Nov 3
Interviews (by request)	Nov 8
Soup Day	Nov 10
Assembly: Remembrance Day	Nov 10(10:45AM)
PD Day	Nov 17

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**Memory Work: Song:** Ps 50: 5,6(Oct13); **Text:** Ps 8:6-9(Oct13)

**Bible Study:** Unit 2: God's covenant with Abraham and his family, and evidence of the antithesis.

**Church History:** We will be looking at missionaries to Frisians and the Saxons next week.

**Math:** continuing whole numbers, keep practicing multiplication facts. In Geometry, a review and Test are imminent.

**Language Arts:** Novel study *Underground to Canada* continues, following Julilly's move to the Deep South. Have you noticed the sad news about Armenia? We will be looking at a missionary story.

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

**Spelling:** Lesson 5: refuse, confuse, dispute, amusement, useless, issue, statue, value, valuable, discontinue, union, human, humor, jury, curious, figure, future, injure, insure, capture, *commute, urged, unique, utensils, youthful.* Spelling tests on Fridays.

**Science:** Work on finding information about your chosen animal for our Diversity Research Project and organizing it for your presentation.

**Social Studies:** We have taken a close look at our Dutch-Canadian Community (and students do not cherish the idea of going through an emigration experience). We will soon be working on a little project that leads to a display on the wall in the hall.

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

#### Grade Seven

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<b>Tuesday</b>	Devotions: Ryder Bring PE clothes
<b>Wednesday</b>	Devotions: Izzy Optical illusion art due
<b>Thursday</b>	Devotions: Allison Bring PE clothes
<b>Friday</b>	Devotions: Mark Bring PE clothes Geography Chapter 1 Quiz Memory Work: Psalm 11:2; Text: Psalm 3:1-4

#### Grade Eight

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<b>Tuesday</b>	Devotions: Ronan
<b>Wednesday</b>	Unit 2a Math test (postponed from this past week) Devotions: Kendra
<b>Thursday</b>	Devotions: Eliana
<b>Friday</b>	Unit 1 Church History test Psalm 29:3 Devotions: Natalia

#### Canadian Tuxedo Day