

MCS Weekly

November 23, 2023

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! The construction continues. It looks like the addition is closed in, at least for the most part. Electrical and mechanical are hard at work and all the windows have been installed. Now digging starts on the other side of the building as we install a fire hydrant. So, mud and dirt seem to be the course over the next few weeks. Tomorrow is the first of two "Water Days." Hopefully we receive as much 'head's up' for the second one. That includes any closures for inclement weather as well. As it stands, we close when either Centre Wellington or Wellington North is closed. Our buses are parked in North and we operate in Centre. The reason is that when the public consortium decides to cancel busing, buses transporting children are not insured. Next week our Grades 7&8 classes are looking forward to a Volleyball Tournament. This is hosted by and at ECHS. We anticipate an enjoyable time. Read on to find out what is happening in the various classrooms.

Kindergarten

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Memory Work: Song: Hy 21:1; Text: Genesis 8:22(W/Th)

Bible Study: M/T Joseph's Brothers Come to Egypt W/Th Joseph

Reveals His Identity

Math: We will continue to experiment with 2-D shapes and even use

Twizzlers to make shapes.

LA: Letters: Jj Zz Sight Word: what

Science: We begin learning how animals prepare for winter.

Gingerbread Houses: On Monday and Tuesday afternoon we will be making little houses. If you plan to help and get nice and sticky with icing, please come by around 1:45. We will be busy for most of the afternoon.

Grade One A

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 81:5(Dec1); Text: Joh 3:16 (Dec8)

Bible Study: Israel is delivered from Egypt

Math: On Monday students will be able to spend their money at our

classroom store!

Phonics: Consonant sounds of /z//y//v//w//q/

Library: Thursdays. November's author is Aaron Blabey with Pig

Music: The Nutcracker continues. So far we have enjoyed walnuts,

sugar plums, Spanish chocolate and Arabian coffee!

Science: Stars and their constellations

Art: using white to tint

Show & Tell: Asher M Claire T Connor W Emma Th Georgia F

Grade One B

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 81:5(Dec1); Text: Joh 3:16(Dec8)

Bible Study: God provides food & water, Water from the Rock &

Sinai

Math: Math market on Monday then, we move on to time.

Sight Words: an, she, what, each

Phonics: We will start the first digraph - /sh/

Reading Comprehension: Giraffes Can't Dance - retelling,

characters, setting

Writing: Scruffy has lots of problems. We will write him letters with

Music: The Nutcracker continues. So far we have enjoyed walnuts,

sugar plums, Spanish chocolate and Arabian coffee!

Science: The sun & Moon

Show & Tell: Christmas Traditions: Students can share a family tradition. This could be telling us about a tradition or bringing in an

item, book, food or just having us sing a favourite song! Week of November 27: M Wren T Bennett Th Lauren F Jenna

Week of December 4th: ${\bf M}$ Jacob ${\bf T}$ Blake ${\bf Th}$ Liam ${\bf F}$ Rebecca

Grade Two A

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 146:1(Dec1), Hy 1(Dec8); Text: Isa

9:2(Dec8)

Bible Study: T Jesus Walks on Water W Jesus is the Bread of Life Th The Faith of a Canaanite Woman F Jesus Teaches His Disciples

LA: Corduroy; making inferences; cause and effect; comprehension; word families; consonant blends

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

Math: time and temperature

Tuesday(this week): Church History: Church Life: Ordination of

Office Bearers

Grammar: Irregular Plurals

The rest of the day: I am looking forward to our class trip to the Butterfly Conservatory on Tuesday! Remember to wear bright clothing - perhaps a butterfly will mistake you for a flower and land on you:) It gets very hot in the conservatory, so a t-shirt is also a good idea!

Grade Two B

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Memory Work: Song: Hy 19:3(Nov24), Ps 101:1,2(Dec1); Text: Isa 9:2(Nov24)

Bible Study: M Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath Th the Sermon on the Mount

Church History: Our first unit is called "Church Life." Our unit test will be Dec 1. Students are welcome to use the review that was sent home to prepare.

M/W/Th Math: We will continue to work through Unit 2: Number Relationships. We will focus on Fact Families and number sentences

T/F Math: We will be continuing Unit 9: 2D Shapes.

LA: We continue to work through our unit on Kindness. The story we will study this week is called, "The Paper Crane". In Spelling we will focus on words ending in /ch/ and /j/ sounds. We are also working hard on cursive in penmanship class.

Grammar: Adjectives. Writing: Trait #2- Organization.

Science: Our trip to the Butterfly Conservatory is this week Tuesday! We will have an early lunch and then head out at 11:45. We should be back at school around 2:45.

PE: We will wrap up our Unit in Fire Safety this week. Thank you to all of the parents who assisted the students in creating their Home Fire Safety Plans.

Grade Three

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We started learning the harmony for "Angels from the Realms of Glory," to accompany the melody which the grade 2B class plans to sing at the Christmas Assembly. Tower construction draws to a close in our Science unit this coming week (the process of trial and error taught the students many valuable lessons). Please send in more simple tools which make use of leverage. Label them with your name. We will examine each one to find the positions of fulcrum, force and load. Nov 27- Dec 1 Lord willing...

Memory Work: Song: Hy 17:1, 3(Dec.1); Text: Old Test. Books order (Dec.8)

Bible Study: M Gen. 29:31-30:24 T Gen. 30:25-43 W Gen. 31 Th

Gen. 32 F Gen. 33

 $\textbf{Math:} \ angles, \ equilaterals, \ quadrilaterals, \ polygons, \ parallelograms$

LA: Urban Roosts Vocab. Words: N.A.

Science: completion of towers/ Simple Tools Leverage

PE: hand dribbling (assessment: fig. 8)

Grade Four hvansydenborgh@mcsfergus.ca

Memory Work: Song: Hy 22:1,2 (Dec1); **Text:** Joh 1: 1-4 (Dec1) **Church History:** The new unit is called *Church Life: A Family of Churches*. Each lesson begins with a story, following the life of an 8-year-old named Edward. The first lesson is what Edward learns about our Federation.

Math: Don't forget to practice math facts at home! It would be wonderful for all students to get to Green belt by the Christmas break. Please refer to the email about math facts to track where your student is.

Science: In place of a quiz, students are going to work on writing a mini journal that breaks down what they've learned about Light. In class, they'll work on this, and also begin to learn about sound.

Spelling: Lesson 11: mild, bind, blind, climb, higher, highest, highway, mighty, post, mostly, almost, sort, sword, worn, worth, worry

Writing: Continuing with expository writing, students will learn how to organize their ideas to effectively communicate them in their paragraphs. We'll also review and expand on making strong and descriptive sentences.

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 149:1(Dec1); **Text:** Mat 5:2-7(Dec8) **Bible Study:** We are finishing off another unit on Jesus' teachings and parables. There will likely be a test near the end of the week.

Math: After reviewing decimals and fractions we will start to add and subtract decimals.

LA: We start our new novel study, *Snow Treasure*, this week. We will learn a bit about the background and setting of Norway.

Spelling: This week is a review lesson. Students will be sent home with a list of possible spelling words on the test.

Science: We hope to finish up our disease project this week putting it all onto a poster board.

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 125:1(Dec 1), Ps 78:1,2(Dec. 8); **Text**: Exo 20:1-7(Dec 8)

Bible Study: God brought Israel out of Egypt with a mighty hand. We will look at how God was in control of all things, from Egypt to the desert.

Math: We will be reviewing geometry and then have a test on it next week Wednesday.

LA: We continue looking at short stories.

Creative Writing: Fairy tales continue to be our area of focus. After studying some more this coming week, students will begin writing their own.

Spelling: Lesson 11: adventure, natural, funeral, musical, manual, manufacturing, rude, include, introduce, reduce, produce, salute, cruel, truthful, through, proof, gloomy, jewels, screwdriver, tour, accumulated, immune, fluid, cruising, rumours.

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

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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 the sad rise of Papal Power, and how the church ought to be led according to Scripture. An example for Papal Power is Gregory I. We will look at Willibrord and Boniface next week.

Math: to help us hone our "math brains", multiplication drills have started. In Geometry we proceed from angles to constructing figures and nets.

LA: Novel study *Underground to Canada* continues. We have started our story about Just a mutt, and will then look at Howard Pyle's Apple of Contentment.

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? Why is it special/ We will start looking at some aspects of the Scottish community around us

PE: on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Grade Seven	avansydenborgh@mcsfergus.ca
Monday	Devotions: Ren
	Girls and boys' volleyball games against DACS (at
	MCS)
Tuesday	Devotions: Michael
	Bring PE clothes
Wednesday	Devotions: Ava
Thursday	Devotions: Christian
	Bring PE clothes
	Grammar Quiz
Friday	Devotions: Maya
	Bring PE clothes
	Memory Work: Psalm 35:11
	Volleyball Tournament at ECHS

Grade Eight	wbartels@mcsfergus.ca
Monday	Devotions: Kayla
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	Boys and Girls volleyball exhibition game (3:45)
Tuesday	Devotions: Declan
Wednesday	Devotions: Derek
Thursday	Devotions: Lily
	Psalm 48:3
	Romans 8:37-39
Friday	No class (volleyball tournament at ECHS)

Mission @ MCS

Our mission collections for our sponsor children continue to go very well! As of Wednesday, November 23 we have collected \$609.50 of the \$918 needed. The mission students will be collecting mission jars from each classroom and counting today and next week Thursday (November 31st) yet. We sincerely appreciate all the donations thus far! Thank you to our grade 6 class for writing letters to Sherley and Sherline as well!

Calendar of Events

Water Day: School Closed_	Friday Nov 24
Volleyball Tournament(7&8)	Dec 1
Hot Dog Day	
Skating(9AM-1PM)	
Assembly: Christmas(2B&3)	