



Dear Parents

Welcome, Parents and other friends of MCS! Our first 'snow day' is behind us. This one didn't follow our standard protocol. It was called late. This was because when the buses ended up on the road (about 1 hour after the decision by STWDSTS) there were some serious concerns from the various drivers prompting Brenmar to decide to cancel busing for the day. An email did go out, after this decision, and the school website was updated accordingly. This day did allow electricians to work in the existing building installing devices for the new Fire Panel. Skating is only 3 weeks away! Make sure those skates are sharp. This year we only have access to one pad so there can be no overlapping times. This is why each group follows the other. Times are on the school website. That same day is a Christmas assembly at 2:30. Astounding how quickly time passes! And through it all, God has kept us safe in his care. At this point I have not been informed as to the date for our 2nd 'water day.' This will be communicated as soon as the information is available. This second day is the inspection day for the suppression system. One final note, I have created a new page for Pictures on our website. You can find it under the 'members' menu. Read on to find out what is happening in the various classrooms.

Kindergarten

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Memory Work: Song: Hy 21:1(Dec.6/7); **Text:** Mat 1:21

Bible Study: M/T Birth of Moses W/Th Moses Flees

Math: Introduction to Patterns

LA: Letters – Ww Vv Sight word: look

Science: Animals Prepare for Winter

Art: Poinsettia painting

Grade One A

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 136:1,7(Dec8); **Text:** John 3:16 (Dec8)

Bible Study: God brings Israel to Mt.Sinai

Math: Addition and subtraction to 12

Phonics: Digraph SH

Reading Comprehension: We begin reading stories from our Open Court Reader. Unit 1 is stories about games!

Science: How God provides for His creation through the seasons (hibernation, migration, adaptation)

Library: Thursdays. December's Author is Drew Daywalt.

Show & Tell: M Georgia T Hudson W Jacob Th Jayden F Katy

Grade One B

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 136:1,7(Dec8); **Text:** Joh 3:16(Dec8)

Bible Study: The Golden Calf & The Tabernacle

Math: We will wrap up time and ordinal numbers and if time allows begin a new unit on addition & subtraction.

Sight Words: do how your there

Phonics: Digraphs - sh, th, ch

Reading Comprehension: The Day the Crayons Quit - Characters

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

Science: The seasons - hibernation & migration.

Show & Tell: Christmas Traditions:

Week of Dec4th M Jacob T Blake Th Liam F Rebecca

Week of Dec11th M Dominic T Zekiah W Mallary Th Joshua

Grade Two A

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Memory Work: Song: Hy 9:1(Dec8), Ps 119:40(Dec15), Hy 1(Dec22); **Text:** Joh 6:35(Dec8), Luk 9:23-24(Dec22)

Bible Study: T Jesus Walks on Water W Jesus is the Bread of Life Th The Faith of a Canaanite Woman F Review/quiz

Math: number sense: place value, skip counting; subitizing/using subitizing to learn addition facts; word problems

LA: Spelling Unit 7; syllable division for reading and writing; Sequoyah; Mushroom in the Rain

PE/Health: locomotor skills; healthy eating

Monday/Tuesday: Church History: Church Life: Ordination of Elders and Deacons

Math: 2D Geometry. We will practise naming and describing the attributes of 2D figures.

Grammar: Irregular Plurals; Review of all plurals

Writing: Informational Writing. We have written about snakes and sharks (and also learned a lot about them in the process!) This week we will write about the largest carnivore that lives on land. Can you guess what it is?

Science: Invertebrates: we will explore the wonderful world of insects!

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 101:1,2(Dec1), Hymn 9:1(Dec8); **Text:** Joh 6:35(Dec8)

Bible Study: M The Healing of the Leper Th Quiz (Lessons 9-11)

Church History: We will finally write our test for Unit 1 tomorrow!

M/W/Th Math: We will continue to work through Unit 2: Number Relationships. This week we will focus on Related Math Facts and number sentences.

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

LA: We continue to work through our unit on Kindness. This week, we will continue to study the story of "The Paper Crane". Our Spelling words are focused on the /-tch/ and /-dge/ sounds. We continue to work hard at cursive writing!

Grammar: Verbs. **Writing:** Trait #2- Organization.

Science: Our trip to the Butterfly Conservatory is now 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 on Fire Safety and begin a unit on Fitness and Hockey!

Grade Three

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Thank you for sending in the simple tools to study leverage! It made the topic more interesting and relevant. In Social Studies we will begin studying the defining features for Urban and Rural Communities. The unit is designed to culminate early next year via individual projects rather than a final test. Dec. 4-8, 2023 Lord willing...

Memory Work: Song: Hy 20:1,4(Dec8); **Text:** OT. Books order(Dec8)

Bible Study: M Gen 33 T Gen 35 W Gen 37:1-11 Th Gen 37:12-36 F Gen 39

Math: parallel sides, quadrilaterals, polygons, congruency, symmetry

LA: Story: Make Way for Ducklings Spelling: test moved from Nov30 to Dec7

Vocab Words: beckoned, cosy, delighted, enormous, responsibility

Science: Urban & Rural Communities

PE: hand dribbling (assessment: butterfly drill and horizontal dribbling)

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Memory Work: Song: Hy 25:1(Dec8); **Text:** Joh 1: 1-4(Dec8)
Church History: The next lessons follow what Edward learns about our theological seminary the teacher’s college.
Math: We’ve learned about angles, which leads us into recognizing the attributes of two-dimensional shapes and sorting them accordingly.
Math Facts: As a support for multiplication memorization, students will receive homework to write out and practice each of the times tables. We did 3 this week, and next will be 9, 4 and 5.
Spelling: Lesson 12 is a review of lessons 8-11. The list of these words are in the students’ textbooks.
French: We’re starting the next unit on La Calendrier. Students will learn the days of the week, months of the year, work on recognizing and writing numbers, and learn the seasons as well.
PE: We’ll wrap up the unit on Volleyball in the next couple lessons. Students will learn how to underhand serve, and then they’ll apply their skills of bumping and setting in modified games.
Music: We’ll be starting a unit on the music staff. We’ll also begin singing some Christmas songs as we anticipate the holiday season.

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 109:1(Dec8); **Text:** Mat 5:2-7(Dec8)
Bible: We are starting another new unit on Jesus’ ministry. We continue to get closer to the end of Jesus’ time on earth.
Math: We hope to wrap up our unit on decimals this week with a test likely at the end of the week. We have learned to add, subtract and multiply decimals and will work on dividing decimals.
Novel Study: We are a few chapters in on our new novel *Snow Treasure* and read about the exciting adventures of children in Norway during the war.
Spelling: Lesson 13: risk, limb, limp, skim, split, strip, slipped, swimming, beginning, skinned, wicked, quickly, wrist, ditch, kitchen, pitcher, fifth, fifteenth, printing, prince
Social Studies: We are beginning our new social studies unit with a look at the early history of Canada, what history is and how we know about history through primary and secondary sources.

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 78:1,2(Dec8); Hy 12:1(Dec15);
Text: Exo 20:1-7(Dec8)
Bible Study: God brought Israel out of Egypt with a mighty hand. We finish up our unit on Moses with a test at the end of next week.

Calendar of Events	
Volleyball Tournament(7&8)	Dec 1
Rescheduled grade 2 trip	Dec 5
Books and Bagels(Group B)	Dec 14
Board meeting	Dec 18
LINK Materials Due	Dec 20
Hot Dog Day	Dec 20/21
Skating(9AM-1PM)	Dec 22
Assembly: Christmas(2B&3)	Dec22(2:30)
Assembly: New Year’s(Principal)	Jan 8
% Ski Trip	Jan 18
Books and Bagels(Group A)	Jan 25

Math: We have just finished our geometry unit with a test. We will be starting our next unit on decimals.
LA: We continue looking at our short stories from the reader.
Spelling: Lesson 12: raisin, attain, chamber, standard, bargain, squeeze, agreement, grief, neither, convince, private, polite, unwise, desire, obey, source, noble, nowhere, porter, continent, funeral, rude, produce, through, screwdriver.
PE: Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Don’t forget those PE clothes

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 78:1,2; **Text:** Ex 20: 1-7(Dec8)
Bible Study: Unit 3: Jacob’s Life
Church History: In the next two or three weeks, students will be learning about Charlemagne and his advisor, Alcuin of York.
Math: Finishing off Unit 2, we turn to Unit 1. In Geometry, we turn to “Measurement” of area and volume of prisms.
LA: What a satisfying end to *Underground in Canada*! Our new novel is a boy with a dog story. In Short Stories we will focus on stories around the theme of Victories.
Grammar and Writing: We will be reviewing what we have studied in Grammar so far.
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.*
Science: How do we get energy from the turbine to an outlet?
Social Studies: We completed our projects on local Amish and Black communities, and will now look at First Nations across Canada.
PE: on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

Grade Seven		<i>avansydenborgh@mcsfergus.ca</i>
Monday	Devotions: Jordynn	
Tuesday	Devotions: Sawyer Bring PE clothes	
Wednesday	Devotions: Kenzie Math Unit 4A Test - Fractions Spelling - Lesson 10	
Thursday	Devotions: Dustin Bring PE clothes French - Chapter 3A Quiz	
Friday	Devotions: Cameron Bring PE clothes Memory Work: Psalm 45:1	

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Tuesday	Devotions: Daneeka	
Wednesday	Devotions: Daniel	
Thursday	Devotions: Maddy	
Friday	Devotions: Lexi Psalm 51:6 Unit 2 Grammar Test	