



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! We had a wonderful Winterfest day this past Monday! Since then the weather has taken a turn and things have become sloppy again. Remember, due to exams and turn-around days, buses do not stop for pick up at ECHS. If your stop is after the regular high school stop, you can anticipate your child(ren) coming home 10 minutes earlier. This will be until February 1st. First term reports are just around the corner. You can anticipate receiving those on February 9th. Parent teacher interviews will be the following week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. It's Soup Day on Friday so remember to Lug-A-Mug! Read on to find out what is happening in the various classrooms.

Kindergarten

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 81:1; **Text:** Isa 12:2

Bible Study: M/T Water from the Rock W/Th Moses Death and Joshua Become Leader

Math: Sorting and Graphing, Printing numbers 1 – 10

LA: Sight Word: this Letters: Ee, F

Science: Volcanoes

Grade One A

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 99:1(Feb1); **Text:** Rev 7:17(Feb1)

Bible Study: God provides judges to rescue Israel from their enemies

Math: Skip counting, addition drills and 2D and 3D shapes

Phonics: Long vowel I spelled with bossy e

Sight words: four, saw, well, ran

Reading Comprehension: The folktale "The Bossy Gallito"

Science: How to use electricity safely.

PE: balancing

Library: Thursdays. Jory John is this month's author.

Music: Starting to learn our concert songs and learning quarter and half notes with the bells

Alphabet Show & Tell: M Michael (M) T Reid (N) W Ryker (O)

Th Tess (P) F Adele (Q)

Grade One B

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 99:2; **Text:** Rev. 7:17(Feb1)

Bible Study: Unit 5 Review. Unit 6: Judges - Israel falls in idolatry, Deborah & Barak.

Church History: Unit 2- People in Church History - Peter, Preacher of the Gospel

Math: We will be wrapping up our graphing unit and moving to 2D and 3D shapes.

Sight Words: two, more, write

Phonics: /ng/, /nk/, /qu/, /y/

Writing: All About Penguins

French: Voici l'histoire de la poule Maboule.

Science: Electrical safety and conservation.

Show & Tell: Alphabet Show & Tell:

Week of Jan. 29th: M: Rebecca (A) T: Dominic (B) Th: Zekiah (C)

Week of Feb. 5th M: Mallary (D) T: Joshua (E) Th: Abby (F) F:

Lacey (G)

Grade Two A

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 86:4(Jan26), Hy 58:1,2(Feb1), Ps 24:5(Feb9); **Text:** Prov 3:5,6(Feb1)

Bible Study: T The Greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven W The Feast of Tabernacles Th The Good Shepherd F Review/Quiz

Math: number sense: place value, skip counting; subitizing/using subitizing to learn addition facts; double digit addition and subtraction (without regrouping) Units of time: days; months; years; calendar; telling time on analogue clocks

LA: Spelling: words with -ng and -nk

Reading: We will be working with stories from 2 units in our Open Court Readers. One set of stories will be read with the focus of improving reading skills. We will continue with the story: The Paper Crane as well as Radio plays. With the second unit, our focus shifts to Media Literacy as we learn about bias and point of view. The unit is about fossils and dinosaurs. We will be learning to discern as we read, since almost anything we read about fossils and dinosaurs has elements of fact but also of evolution. We will be learning about

dinosaurs from a Biblical point of view and will create our own books about what we learn.

PE/Health: Winter Fitness Circuit; healthy eating

(Monday): Church History: God uses weak and sinful people from all times and places to gather His Church. This week we will begin to learn about a martyr named Polycarp.

Math: 2D Figures: Symmetry

Grammar: Using adjectives to compare two or more things

Writing: Which season is the best? (I think it's summer...)

Social Studies: South America

Science: We will look at some of the amazing ways that God created animals so that they can survive in their habitat. We will also have some fun looking at different types of bird beaks!

Grade Two B

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 86:4(Jan26), Hy 58:1,2(Feb 2); **Text:** Prov 3:5,6(Feb2)

Bible Study: W Quiz Th Jesus Commissions the Twelve

Church History: We are working Unit 2: People in Church History.

We will continue to look at John Chrysostom, a preacher in Antioch.

M/W/Th Math: We will begin Unit 4: Exploring Addition and Subtraction

T/F Math: We will be continuing Unit 5: Data Management.

LA: We will wrap up our unit in Kindness. We are reading the story of Cinderella. In spelling, we continue to study words with "ar" and "or." Grammar: Compound Words. Writing: Trait #3- Voice. We will also begin a media literacy unit focused on dinosaurs. We will be looking at what the world believes about dinosaurs and comparing that to what the Bible can tell us about dinosaurs.

Science: We will be looking at interactions between animals and humans, and how we can help/hinder each other.

PE: We will continue with our Fitness Unit and setting Fitness goals.

Grade Three

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A Math test is scheduled for Thursday Feb 1 dealing with unit 7 (lessons 39-47). Our Urban/Rural individual in-class projects should begin mid next week. Students will have a week to complete this project to show what they've learned during our Urban/Rural unit lessons. In about two weeks' time, we begin the unit on "People and the Environment:" where people locate in Ontario. Jan 29 - Feb 1, 2024 Lord willing...

Memory Work: Song: Ps 6:2(Feb1); **Text:** Ps 24:1-3(Feb1)

Church History: M-Th Rev. H. deCock (Netherlands, Ulrum 1830's)

LA: "Picasso"

Spelling: cart, forks, report, shark, sparked, north, barking, morning, marched, partake, forbid, stars, yarn, transport

Vocabulary Words: controversial, encouraged, monuments, originality

Math: multiplying strategies, multiplication charts, the effect of brackets

Social Studies: Urban and Rural Communities: fishing, zoning & project

PE: badminton serves & reciprocation assessment

Grade Four

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 6:1,6(Feb 1); **Text:** Isa 40:30,31(Feb 1)

Bible Study: Now that we have our first unit of Church History behind us, we'll continue our Bible stories about David's great rule over Israel- looking to our even greater King, Jesus Christ.

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the whole armor of God," Ephesians 6:10,11a

Math: We’ve come to the end of this unit on geometry and will review for a few lessons before the test next Tuesday.

Social Studies: Only one more region to learn about! The beautiful Appalachian region. After which, students will work on fine tuning their travel journal entries, and review all that we’ve learned about Canada’s physical regions.

French: In our unit on the “calendrier” students are putting together their own, fully French calendar for 2024 using all the terminology that we’ve learned.

Spelling: Lesson 18 is a review of lessons 13 to 17. We’ll practice all these words on Monday and Wednesday, and then test a selection of them on Friday.

Grammar: The next part of this unit on proper punctuation is about apostrophes. Students will be learning these rules, and then working with them.

Grade Five

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 59:1(Feb1); **Text:** John 15:5-8(Feb1)

Bible Study: This week sees the end of our unit with Jesus’ ascension. There should be a test on Thursday.

Math: We start our new unit on measurement this week and will start by looking at time.

LA: We will be looking at the poetic elements of onomatopoeia and alliteration and work on finding these in writing and also using them in our writing.

Spelling: Lesson 19: parade, safety, basement, grapefruit, savings, changing, ashamed, apron, April, navy, famous, favour, ladies, nature, nation, station, plantation, information, betray, worse (*bathing, crater, decoration, nickname, prey*)

Social Studies: We hope to finish up our look at Vikings this week by learning about Leif Erikson and Erik the Red.

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Memory Work: Song: Ps 114:1(Feb1), Ps 106:1,3(Feb9); **Text:** Ps 47:1-4(Feb1)

Church History: We will be wrapping up our first unit on spreads, attacks and divisions in the early church with a test on Tuesday.

Math: There will be a data management test on Wednesday.

Novel Study: We continue to read through our novel study *Stormy*.

Spelling: Lesson 17: term, nerve, serve, servant, permanent, personal, deserve, dessert, reverse, terror, territory, terrible, berry, buried, computer, curve, furnace, surface, purchase, purpose, conservation, conversion, detergent, eternal, occurred

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

Mission at MCS

Toonies for Anchor

In February we hope to support the TOONIES for ANCHOR drive! It will run from February 1st to 29th. Please consider contributing to the work of Anchor home. We hope to track our collections on the mission bulletin board, so check it out when you are in the school!

From the Library

Reading month: February; “Once Upon a Time”

Important Dates: Feb 29 - Book Character Day

It’s time to curl up with a book and take your mind on an adventure! This year we embark on a school wide challenge - Can we read 200 000 minutes? Reading trackers will be sent home next week! They will be returned weekly and we will watch our castle get bigger and better with every minute read. Keep your eye out for an information note home!

Calendar of Events

ECHS Exams: Early PM buses	Jan 24- Feb 2
Soup Day	Jan 26
Reading Month	Feb 1- 29
PD Day	Feb 2
Term 1 Reports	Feb 9
P/T Interviews	Feb 13&15
Books and Bagels(Group B)	Feb15
Assembly (K&2A)[2:30]	Feb 15
CARE PD Day(Hamilton)	Feb 16
Family Day	Feb 19
LINK Due	Feb 21
KB Friday	Feb 23
Book Character Day	Feb 29
Declamation Contest(Provincials)	Mar 1
Easter Concert	Mar 23

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Google Classroom for 6b is up and running!We will regularly post study material and reminders about upcoming quizzes, tests, etc.

Memory Work: Song: Ps 104:1

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

Church History: We looked at the sad rise of Papal Power, and how the church ought to be led according to Scripture. 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 begin 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. We will start looking at some aspects of the Scottish community around us.

PE: on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Grade Seven

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Monday	Devotions: Cameron
Tuesday	Devotions: Derrick
Wednesday	Devotions: Keira Spelling Lesson 16 Speech Presentations
Thursday	Devotions: Heidi Psalm 73:8

Grade Eight

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Monday	Devotions: Kendra Unit 2b Church History test City design presentations
Tuesday	Devotions: Eliana
Wednesday	Devotions: Natalia In-class speech contest
Thursday	Devotions: Kayla Ps 85:3 Spelling lesson 17 (due one day later than usual)