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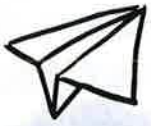


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# THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE BEGINNING OF KNOWLEDGE



**"FINALLY, BE STRONG IN THE LORD AND IN THE STRENGTH OF HIS MIGHT. PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOUR OF GOD"**  
**EPHESIANS 6:10,11A**



## PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD



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**EPHESIANS 6:10**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 20 School out
- August 21 LINK materials due
- August 28 Open House
- September 3 First day of school
- September 14 Roadside cleanup
- September 19 Photo Day



*Have a wonderful holiday!*



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Parent/student Open House on August 28; 6:30PM. Come check out where your classroom is!

Welcome to this last LINK for the 2023/2024 school year. Perhaps some students might not agree, but it seems like such a short time ago that I was writing for the first LINK of the year! Once again God has blessed us with everything we have needed for another successful year of operations at MCS.

Thank you to everyone who attended our membership meeting on May 30. At that meeting we were able to hear all the regular committee reports, as well as approve the 2024/2025 operating budget and two other motions from the finance committee – both of which are meant to improve the attraction and retention of members for our school society. As always we encourage life long membership as only in that way can we ensure that the fees can remain affordable for our church community. We are well aware of the rising costs of education and are putting much work into keeping the fees down.

The MCS membership barbeque went off well on June 7 in spite of some cooler temperatures and a cloudy sky. Thank you very much to the members of the PR committee for all their work in

hosting it. It was wonderful to see so many people attend, especially the mix of young parents with their children, along with the many elderly members who built this school years ago and are still passionate supporters. Thank you to everyone who came out.

The Board has completed much work this year and continues to have several special projects on the go. The expansion and renovation work continues, and, Lord willing, will be completed over the summer months with all to be ready for the fall. Work is being done to update our By-laws as well, as required by the Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act. The plan is to have the membership approve these updated By-laws at our fall membership meeting. Finally, we have a sub-committee looking at putting together a statement of beliefs as an organization about sexual orientation and gender identity. In our current cultural context, churches, schools, and other faith-based organizations are facing more frequent challenges to their operation and existence. These challenges may come in the form of human rights com-

plaints, legal challenges, or discriminatory legislation and regulations. The League of Canadian Reformed School Societies has recommended we prepare such a statement of beliefs in anticipation of possible future challenges.

At our past meeting we also established a slate of names to call to stand for nomination to the Board of Directors. We are in need of three new directors to replace those who are retiring this fall. Please give prayerful consideration to this request if you are asked to serve. It is a real blessing to be involved with the school in this way.

The Board meeting this past Monday was the last meeting of this school year, as we typically take July off and will start the 2024 / 2025 school year with our next meeting in August. Congratulations also to our Grade 8 students on their graduation and move to ECHS! We wish the staff and students the Lord's blessing for a well-deserved rest over the summer months, and we pray that they may come back in September rejuvenated and refreshed. May we continue daily in His service, doing all things to His praise and glory!

***Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God***

(Ephesians 6: 10-11a)

Hopefully, by now, you recognize the text above as our theme text from the past school year.

You may wonder of the value of a theme text. The purpose of such

is to focus our year along a specific aspect of working out our

Vision and Mission. You may remember these as well: Vision: Training Covenant Children for a life of Thankful and Obedient Service to God and our Neighbour. Our Mission, is to assist parents in the academic realization of the 4 hallmarks of education in the areas of "Covenant, Confession, Unity of Purpose and Enmity." And so, the school becomes an extension (not a replacement) of the home. We support parents. Every day we focus on the academic development of children and we are called to do that within the framework of Jesus Christ. The theme text is about putting on the armour of God. But don't miss the first word as this shows us that this is the end of the discussion. The book of Ephesians is all about equipping soldiers of the King for service to the King. Looking at the weapons listed in this chapter shows that this is preparing for a spiritual battle for Paul is writing about spiritual weapons. These weapons are not for a select few either. They are for the entire congregation at Ephesus, and, by extension, to all believers. Soldiers in the army require extensive and difficult training. The same is true for soldiers of the Cross. That is Paul's purpose for the book. The passage begins with "finally," indicating that after all that you have heard and learned, this is the result...the

end. Put on the armour that God has provided. He is the commanders and chief. He equips, but He also expects His soldiers to use the equipment. That is what, we hope and pray, happened in the school year we have just completed. We have taught Math and Language, Social Studies and Science, French and Penmanship; we have gone to Basketball, Volleyball, Baseball and other tournaments; we've had Field Day and Class Trips and Year End Trips; we have worked through the seemingly endless doldrums of the day-to-day...all in order to be equipped in that service. May our work at Maranatha be a part, no matter how little, in assisting you, as parents, in the training of your children for that faithful service to Father and neighbour.

And now that one year is complete we look forward to a new year already. We anticipate a virtually 'new' school when we return in Augusts with renovations, landscaping and all other things complete. Our office and staff room will be where the library used to be. All students will enter the building from the rear doors again. Senior students will not be in the west wing with primary and junior students being in the east. We are thankful for these blessings. We are also thankful for the work of various staff

members, and some of them are not coming back to MCS. Mrs. Helen Vanderwoerd is leaving for retirement. Ms. Katriel Hoogsteen, Mr. Matthew Ottaway, Mr. Keith Sikkema, Ms. Jocelyn Wanders are leaving us at the end of the school year as well. We wish you all the Lord's blessings in all that He has in store for you. Finally, a farewell to Mrs. Hannah VanSydenborgh. She is leaving for a better profession: motherhood. May our heavenly Father grant you a safe delivery in time, and may He equip you as parents in His service.

There are a few student 'good-byes' as well. First off, goodbye grade 8. Nine years at MCS and now off to high school! May our Father bless you all there as well. We also say goodbye to Silas, Felix and Rosco. They (with their family) are moving to Carmen! All the best on the prairie and in your new school! Also, goodbye to Douwe, Harriet and Roelof. Their journey is much shorter, but we will miss you all the same. May our Father bless you in your new community and at Cornerstone Christian School.

And, Goodbye from my desk for another summer, and, by God's grace, we hope to see you all again on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM for our new year Open House!

Here we are at the end of yet another school year. Ten long months ago, the students stepped into their new class, maybe with excitement, maybe with trepidation and likely with a bit of both! For us parents, it probably feels like the year has just begun, and yet here we are at the end of the 2023/2024 school year. The routines that the students were nervous about navigating in September have become old hat and second nature by June. We look back on the year and we are thankful for everything that we were blessed with.

We are thankful that the Lord has blessed us with a full slate of teachers for 2024/2025. At the membership meeting on May 30, we were able to thank the staff that were not returning, and mention the new staff that will be joining us. At that time, we still had some changes to make in the primary division to fill the need there. We are very thankful that we were able to make this work with our current staff. A huge

thank you to those who were willing and able to take on extra teaching time, or switch preferred grade positions to fill the need. You will be able to see these changes on the student class lists posted elsewhere in this Link. One notable change for the students is that next year's Grade 1 (who is losing a couple students over the summer) will be split for the mornings, creating a Grade 1A and 1B, but for the periods after lunch, will be combined into one class.

The Education Committee's primary task is maintaining the education of the students, and balancing student needs with realistic expectations of the financial burden to the membership - while also maintaining an up building work environment for the staff.

Committee work isn't always easy, and yet it is very rewarding. Thank you to the members of the committee for their countless hours of volunteer work, a special thank you to Tim Swaving as he is done his term. We are still

looking for his replacement, so if you are approached we pray that you will consider accepting the opportunity to serve our school in this way. And as always, we appreciate parental feedback; if you have any ideas as to how we can better the education of the students, please write us a letter.

As we wrap up another school year, and look forward in planning for the next school year, we might be tempted to say, "Que será, será;" "Whatever will be, will be." The future's not ours to see. "Que será, será." It's true, the 'future's not ours to see', but we don't have to worry because this is also means that, 'Whatever will be will be' since the Lord has His plans set. And it is in the confidence of his guiding hand that we can rest assured knowing that all things work to the good of his people - whatever we plan might succeed, or it might fail, but the Lord will use that for ours, and our children's, benefit.

TREASURER'S REPORT

What a blessing from the Lord that we are able to complete another school year to His glory at Maranatha! Cash flow continues to be tight, but the Lord continues to provide!

We had a pretty good turnout at the last membership meeting, it was great to see everybody there. At the meeting, the membership

did approve the budget for 2024 as well as two additional proposals, namely the new "Married Pre-School" category and the new tiered pre-support structure. It is our hope that these changes will relieve some financial pressure that young families are seeing and that more young families and married

couples will make the commitment to our school and sign up as members. The more members we have the more affordable the fees will be for all!

The new fees are effective July 1. They are as follows: "Retired (+65), single" - \$202/month; "Married/Pre-School" - \$303; "Pre-support Year 1" - \$354.00;

“Married/Post school” - \$505/month; “Kids in Grades K-8” - \$1011/month. Those that are in year 2 through 4 of pre-support will continue in the “old” pre-support structure and those fees are \$505/month. If you are not sure what category you are in, please contact a member of the PR committee.

We have once again seen some members cancel their membership as their youngest child is now graduating from ECHS. This is very discouraging for the board, the PR Committee, the Finance Committee and the membership at large. We rely on these married/post school fees to keep our school affordable. While your children were in school, the fees were kept lower because of support of the married/post school members. It is now your obligation to return that favour and continue to support MCS after your children have graduated from ECHS.

While the budget did get approved this year, it did pass with only a 75% majority. So


while about 25% of the membership at the meeting voted against the budget, there were very few questions or concerns raised about the budget at the meeting. Some feedback from those who voted against the budget would be helpful. The cost of running the school is at the forefront of the school board and the committees. At almost every meeting there is some discussion and concern about the rising costs. There are very few areas where the committees and board feel that we can cut costs further while still fulfilling our mandate. We encourage those who may have ideas about how to run the school more cost effectively

(either by reducing cost or increasing revenue) to speak to a board member, we would love your feedback!

Also, one final reminder, that

Harvest is now accepting applications for tuition assistance until the end of July. It is very easy to apply for this assistance and everything is kept confidential. Please go to their website: [harvestfoundation.ca](http://harvestfoundation.ca) and click on the “tuition assistance” tab for more information. It provides qualified families with financial assistance of either 20, 35 or 50% of their annual tuition cost. Several families in our area already make use of this assistance but we feel many more people could. Please note that Harvest will also assist you with paying pre-support!

Thank you all for your continued prayers and financial support.



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**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**JOSEPH VANGROOTHEEST**

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the BBQ, it is a blessing to see the community gather as one, and to share in a casual time of fellowship. We thank those that loaned their BBQs, a sound system, and more. We also are thankful to announce that a member has covered the cost of this year's BBQ to keep it off of our budget. We are grateful to see

this commitment to the school as we strive to control costs, and we are encouraged to see there is a desire to continue the BBQ. It truly is a great way to show our thankfulness to our non-parental members and let them participate in the school, witnessing the many children they are helping parents educate.

On that note we have sad news, we have lost multiple post support members in the past month. This is very difficult for the school as we believe in lifetime membership. We have attached the current membership list to the end of the LINK. We do also have a number of non-member PAP donors, and our corporate donors, whom we truly appreciate! An

old saying says 'It takes a village to raise a child.' This statement could not be more true for our school as well.

We hope everyone has a lovely summer off with their children,

while the final touches are completed for the school renovation. We wish staff a great and healthy time of respite. Our committee will be prepping over the summer months for the early year's program and targeted advertising to

prelude our fall membership drive. Keep your eyes open for new info from us, and if you have any questions or suggestions for us please reach out!

## PTA COMMITTEE

KLAARISSA HUTCHINSON

The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is a fun committee to be on, as you get to help organize the special food days at MCS. The children are all excited to see you, and give big smiles and 'thank you's' when they see you. It is a joy to be able to bring an extra smile to someone's face. And this year, we had that opportunity with 3 Soup Days, a Hot Dog Day, Ice Cream Day and Hot Dogs and Freezies on Field Day. We were also able to help organize the snacks and provide juice boxes after the Easter Program along with organizing the Grandparent Day Luncheon.

All of these special days cannot happen without the help of the Parent Body. We want to give a big thank you to you parents, for your time and energy given as well as the food you provided to help make these events a success and a treat for students and staff. What a blessing to see the school community at work.

I would like to thank all the members of the PTA for all the work they do behind the scenes to make these days a success. It has been a pleasure to work alongside you as you all stepped up for the different events, asking if anything else needs to be done and being willing to help out.

We would also like to thank Helen VanderWoerd who has been the staff representative on the PTA for several years. Thank you for your insights and for communicating with the staff over the past years. We pray for the Lord's blessings in your retirement! We welcome Marianne VanderVeen as the new staff representative.

We have 1 other member leaving the PTA this year, as Garrie Gansekoele and her family are moving. We would like to thank her for her time on the PTA and pray for the Lord's blessings in their move. We welcome Karissa Bouwman as the representative

from Arthur/Grand Valley and look forward to working with her in the fall, DV.

As a final note, to follow up regarding the survey we sent out earlier in the school year, we have changed the format for food for the Graduation Dinner. Each year, we will provide 4 dinner options (ie. Tacos, pizza, burgers or meat and potatoes) which the Gr. 8 class will vote on. Their choice will be served to them by the Gr.7 moms, and the cost will be covered by the Fundraising Committee. The budget is \$10/person, with the amount being reviewed each year to see if it reflects the cost of living.

Again, a final thank you to all parents and staff and members of the PTA for your work in helping to make the special days at MCS special!

## SHORT REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

APRIL 22, 2024

1. Opening by Chairman
  - 1.1. Scripture Reading (Matt 9:1-8); Singing (Hymn 81:1&3), and Prayer
  - 1.2. Roll Call: Rod Dykstra, Richard Hoeksema, James Medemblik, Colin Meerstra, Ivan Sikkema, Trish Smith, Morris Thalen, Twyla VanderWoerd, Joseph Van Grootheest, Kevin Vanleeuwen
  - 1.3. Absent with Notice:
2. Establish Agenda: Agenda established

3. Approve minutes: Minutes for March 21st extra-Board meeting approved with changes.  
Minutes for March 25th Board meeting approved with changes.
4. Short Report: Short report for the March 21st extra Board meeting approved with changes. Short report for March 25th Board meeting approved with changes.
5. Email Conversations to be recorded:
  - 5.1 Approval for a P.D day on Monday, March 6th in order for Staff to review the new Math program.
  - 5.2 Approval to offer nursing position to applicant.
  - 5.3 Approval for extra board meeting, set for April 24, 2024
6. Matters arising from Minutes:
  - 6.1 A new Teacher's college representative is needed. The Link reported the need for another representative. Bringing up this position at the next membership meeting would be a good idea.
  - 6.2 Meeting with the Accountant, bookkeeper and secretary took place.
7. Decision Book Item
  - 7.1 Compliance with Public Health Regarding Vaccine Suspension Policy: Decision made not to include our recent discussions in the decision book.
  - 7.2 Graduation dinner costs will be covered by the fundraising committee. Change to be recorded in the decision book.
8. Reports
  - 8.1. Education
    - 8.1.1 Education Committee Minutes:
      - Finding an RN is still in process. Position has been offered to an applicant
      - Proposal to increase the amount of money used towards a gift for retiring teachers/years of service gift. Proposal approved.
      - 6 letters were sent to the Education Committee from parents.
  - 8.2. Principal's Report: Nothing to Report
  - 8.3. League/Harvest
    - 8.3.1 League Report:
      - Statement of belief is being worked on.
      - Request for survey to be filled out on the Personnel Manual, preferably someone who uses it. The League plans to revamp this manual again and would like input. This manual is meant for the Board/Executive/Education Committee.
  - 8.4. Public Relations: No new meetings recently.
    - Executive
      - 8.5.1 Executive activity report to the Board: Nothing to Report
      - 8.5.2 Expansion Committee: Updated Budget given.
      - 8.5.3 Renovation Committee: Demo is done. Things are moving along nicely.
  - 8.5. Property
    - 8.6.1 Property Committee Report:
      - Meeting concerning parking lot improvements. Levelling up the parking lot to divert water away from the school will require a large amount of Gravel.
      - Discussion had regarding the instalment of security cameras, both interior and exterior. Currently with the sign in system, parents/visitors are required to enter the office after entering the school to sign in. This requirement will not change. Cameras at each door would be beneficial. A chiming alert is already used in the office. Signs to get to the new office are recommended, clearly letting visitors/parents know they must go to the office when they enter the school.
  - 8.6. Transportation
    - 8.7.1 Transportation Committee March Minutes: Nothing to Highlight
    - 8.7.2 Transportation Committee April Minutes: Position on the committee filled by willing member
    - 8.7.3 Draft routes: Routes were drawn up from scratch. This process went well. Most bus routes are shorter for the next school year.
  - 8.7. PTA
    - 8.8.1 Minutes from PTA meeting regarding Graduation Dinner: Reviewed



## 8.8. Annual Calendar

8.9.1 Approve the budget

8.9.2 Send out teacher contracts

Principal left the meeting: 9:08

## 8.9. Finance

8.10.1 Finance Committee March Minutes:

Major expenses should be given in advance to the finance committee if possible

For example, the new Math program.

8.10.2 March finance statements

-Cash flow is at -\$14,000. Some expenses fluctuate, payment for the new Math program.

-Month's income statement: Revenue \$244,000. \$102,000 is for building fund. Revenue allocated to the operating fund is only \$140,000 and we need \$160,000 to maintain balance.

-No invoice from Brenmar this month, leaving for 2 invoices to come this next month

8.10.3 2025 budget proposal

- Proposal includes new pre-support bracket. Slight membership change. Insurance costs are above budget already, so increased this on the new budget. New membership fee of \$1011.00. (The mortgage is not included in these fees)

-Need to address cash flow issues as we are often in the red.

-Question regarding budget for class trips.

-The big hit this year was the operational cost to run the bigger school. Inflation, transportation and other costs have hit hard this year.

-Motion made to include a surplus.

Motion passed to include a surplus through general donations of \$25,000.

-Vote for a membership fee of \$1011.00. Board approves the budget.

9. Consideration of New Business -

10. Correspondence

10.1. Incoming -

10.1.1 Letter came in: deferred to next meeting.

10.2. Outgoing -

10.2.1 Letter to parents sent out.

11. Question Period: No questions

12. Next Meeting: May 27, June 17

Next LINK dates:

● April 24, 2024

● June 19th, 2024

13. Closing (Hymn 81:5&7)

13.1. Closing Prayer – James Medemblik

13.2. Adjournment: 10:50

## SHORT REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MAY 27, 2024

1. Opening by Chairman

1.1. Scripture Reading (Ps. 84); Singing (Ps 84:1), and Prayer

1.2. Roll Call: Rod Dykstra, Richard Hoeksema, James Medemblik, Colin Meerstra, Ivan Sikkema, Trish Smith, Morris Thalen, Twyla VanderWoerd, Joseph Van Grootheest, Kevin Vanleeuwen

1.3. Absent with Notice:

2. Establish Agenda: Agenda approved

3. Approve minutes: Minutes revised and approved

4. Short Report: Short report revised and approved

5. Email Conversations to be recorded:

5.1 Extra meeting set for May 6th.

6. Matters arising from Minutes

6.1 Teachers' College representative still needed.

- 6.2 Activity fund discussion
- 7. Decision Book Item
  - 7.1 PTA: Changes made to decision book regarding Grade 8 Graduation Dinner
- 8. Reports
  - 8.1. Education Committee:
    - 8.1.1 Ed Comm Minutes: Names for replacements on the Education Committee were reviewed and approved.
  - 8.2. Principal's Report:
    - The facility/renovation is coming along nicely.
    - It will be necessary for volunteers to help with moving.
    - P.D. Day to review the new Math curriculum was very valuable.
  - 8.3. League/Harvest:
    - 8.3.1 League Report: Statement of Belief is continuing to make progress. League is working on more to offer guidance. A Professional Development Staff Survey was reviewed.  
Website member requests: Please note the increase of spam to their website has been of issue, so if one were to send a member request also send an email with the request.  
We are scheduled for school review in winter 2025.
    - 8.3.2 Harvest: Email to send out, ensuring members know about tuition assistance program
  - 8.4. Public Relations:
    - 8.4.1 Minutes: New names for upcoming openings. Names approved.  
Emmanuel is doing a Fall membership campaign that we will participate in. Membership lists have not been published in a while. List will be added to the website and included in the link.
  - 8.5. Executive
    - 8.5.1 Executive activity report to the Board: Discussion on payment of nursing staff.
    - 8.5.2 Expansion Committee: Things are moving well and on schedule. Some issues with drains getting crushed. This affects landscaping a bit. When school is out the trenching work, paving, parking lot and landscaping will start up. Flooring is being installed. Painting is underway.
    - 8.5.3 Renovation Committee: Nothing to report
  - 8.6. Property: Nothing to report
  - 8.7. Transportation: Planning to post new bus routes on the website by the end of June and in the Link in August as some big changes were made.
  - 8.8. PTA: Nothing to Report
  - 8.9. Annual Calendar
    - 8.9.1 Prepare for upcoming Spring membership meeting: Reviewed voting ballot wording. Choosing two people to count from board: Morris Thalen, James Medemblik
    - 8.9.2 Review the evaluation report progress: Not applicable.  
Principal left the meeting: 8:52PM
  - 8.10. Finance
    - 8.10.1 April Financial Statements: Brief meeting was held. One member resigned their membership with MCS. No massive changes financially. Question about mortgage amount. Applicant for the accountant position received.
- 9. Consideration of New Business -No new business
- 10. Correspondence
  - 10.1. Incoming
    - 10.1.1 Letter from DACS re: transportation to the Arthur area: Discussed
  - 10.2. Outgoing -
- 11. Question Period: Question period was made use of.
- 12. Next Meetings: June 17, August 19, September 23, October 21  
Next LINK dates: June 19th, 2024, August 21st, 2024
- 13. Closing (Ps 84:6)
  - 13.1. Closing Prayer – Ivan Sikkema
  - 13.2. Adjournment 9:35

## CLASS LISTS- SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

K - Mrs. B. Kingma		
1	DEHAAN	Evalyn F
2	FEENSTRA	Timothy M
3	FLACH	Axel M
4	FOSTER	Denver M
5	HOFINK	Janaya F
6	HUIJGEN	Lauren F
7	HUTTEN	Alyssa F
8	HUTTEN	Brody M
9	KINGMA	Isaac M
10	KROEZEN	Luke M
11	MOESKER	Talum F
12	POST	Nora F
13	SCHARRINGA	Jonas M
14	SELLES	Lincoln M
15	SIPKES	Layken M
16	TIMMERMAN	Nathan M
17	VANDERVEEN	Claire F
18	VANDERWOERD	Nevaeh F
19	VANGROOTHEEST	Kennedy F
20	VENEMA	Allison F

1A - Mrs. J. Deboer		
1	AGEMA	Aaron M
2	HUTTEN	Brianna F
3	KAMPHUIS	Grace F
4	KAMPHUIS	Lilian F
5	KRUZENGA	Carter M
6	LODDER	Landon M
7	LODDER	Rowen F
8	MANS	Talia F
9	NOBEL	Leah F
10	SWAVING	Aurora F
11	VANDENBERG	Felicity F
12	VANGROOTHEEST	Easton M
13	VANLEEUEWEN	Asher M

1B - Mrs. J. Sikkema (Mornings)		
1	BULSMA	Auke M
2	BOUWMAN	Seth M
3	DEWITT	Ashtynne F
4	GANSEKOELE	Tucker M
5	HOFINK	Emberly F
6	HUTTEN	Grace F
7	HUTTEN	Thea F
8	NOBEL	Avery F
9	REININK	Dustin M
10	THALEN	Rachel F
11	VANGROOTHEEST	Liam M
12	VANVEEN	Alyssa F
13	VANVEEN	Palmer F

2A - Ms. D. Breukelman		
1	FOSTER	Michael M
2	HART	Jacob M
3	HOEKSEMA	Jenna F
4	HUIJGEN	Asher M
5	HUTTEN	Bennett M
6	HUTTEN	Connor M
7	HUTTEN	Wren F
8	KINGMA	Kylie F
9	KOTTELENBERG	Emma F
10	KROEZEN	Reid M
11	LINDE	Taya F
12	SMITH	Georgia F
13	VANDERVEEN	Tess F
14	VANDERWOERD	Aleah F
15	VANGROOTHEEST	Zekiah M
16	VANLEEUEWEN	Dominic M

2B - Ms. S. Scheper		
1	AGEMA	Liam M
2	DEHAAN	Katy F
3	DEWITT	Blake M
4	FEENSTRA	Jacob M
5	HUTCHINSON	Lauren F
6	KINGMA	Jayden M
7	LODDER	Hudson M
8	MEDEMBLIK	Ryker M
9	POST	Claire F
10	SWAVING	Lacey F
11	THALEN	Abby F
12	THALEN	Joshua M
13	VANBEEK	Mallary F
14	VANDERVEEN	Adele F
15	VANWOUDEBERG	Rebecca F

3A - Mrs. VanderVeen/Mrs. Hoeksema		
1	BOUWMAN	Derek M
2	BULSMA	Declan M
3	HART	Jeremy M
4	HOEKSEMA	Tyler M
5	HUTCHINSON	Danielle F
6	HUTTEN	Scarlett F
7	KAMPHUIS	Felix M
8	LODDER	Deacon M
9	NOBEL	Jade F
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<p><b><u>General (ALL Students)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sharpened &amp; Labelled Crayola pencil crayons (2 packs for when they begin to run out?)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> pencil case (zippered)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> pencil sharpeners (<b>NOT Kindergarten</b>) (Staedtler brand recommended - small one with container attached)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> non-marking soled shoes for PE (<i>not crocs</i>)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Indoor shoes (may be same as above)</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Grade 5</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - 1.5" Binder</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack dividers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Lined paper</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Correction tape (please no liquid)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PE uniform(Purchased through office)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> WHITE Erasers</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Grade 6</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 1.5" Binder</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dividers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Lined Paper (lots)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PE uniform(Purchased through office)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Erasers</li> </ul>
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