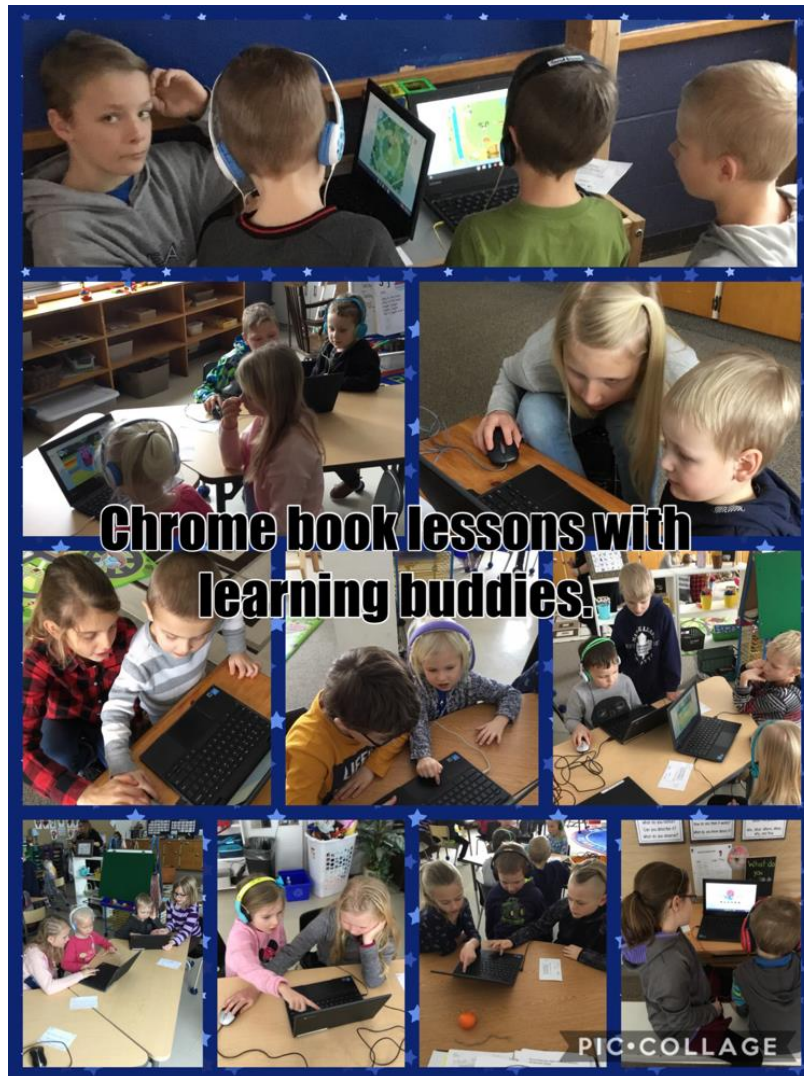


Mr. Verburg's Message:



Can you see how each aspect of our tagline, "Inspiring Minds. Engaging Hearts. Building Character.," is coming alive in the above collage? Many more lessons are being taught and learned beyond Chromebook skills.

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IMPORTANT:

Communication from the Board

At our last meeting, we spent a good portion of time discussing board member recruitment for the 2019-2020 school year. In May, we need to replace three board members: our secretary, treasure, and a member-at-large; also keeping in mind that we need to fill the chair position the following school year. With these needs, and the necessary skills in mind, the board will soon be sending out information packages, and an invitation to join the board, to those individuals who we feel could meet those needs. We ask for your prayers during this process. If you receive an information package and invitation, we ask that you give it prayerful consideration.

Full-time and Spare Bus Driver Needed

Community Christian School, Drayton owns and operates our own buses and starting in September we will need a full-time driver, preferably with three years driving experience. We are also looking for two or three spare bus drivers. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact the school at 519-638-2935 or principal@ccsdrayton.org. We will pay for licensing and training. If you know of someone who would be a great bus driver, please pass along their name and contact information.



DESPERATELY SEEKING A BASKETBALL COACH

There is an enthusiastic group of Grade 7/8 boys who are in need of a basketball coach. Please let the school know by Friday, February 1 if you are willing to take on this amazing role. There are two dates that you would need to keep open. February 12th - Woodland clinic and mini tournament as well as Friday March 1 – tournament location at RIM Park. Unfortunately, there won't be a team if we don't have a coach !

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Mon. January 28	Ski Trip – Grade 7 & 8
Mon. January 28	Skating: JK through Grade 6
Thurs. January 31	Hockey Tournament (Fergus)
Tues. February 5	Board Meeting
Tues. February 5	Hot Dog Lunch
Wed. February 6	Registration / Open House
Thurs. February 7	Hockey Tournament (Orangeville)
Sat. February 9	Community Family Skate Night
Tues. February 12	Pancake Lunch
Fri. February 15	P. D. Day (NO SCHOOL)
Mon. February 18	Family Day (NO SCHOOL)
Tues. February 19	Pizza Lunch

Congratulations to the following students who are celebrating a birthday next week:

Marissa D January 27
Mykayla C January 29
Mrs. Flinkert (librarian) February 1



FYI:

- **January winter weather!** Please be sure to send appropriate outer wear with your children. An extra pair of mitts and plastic bags to send wet gear home in is also handy! Also, please make sure all clothing, including coats, snow pants, etc., are marked with your child's name. Please see the Mabel's Labels ad under Fundraising if you would like labels!
- **LATE or ABSENT from School** – Please be reminded that if your child is going to be late or absent from school please contact the office before 8:30 a.m. at office@ccsdrayton.org. A text should also be sent to your bus driver. Thank you!
- **MORNING BUS PICK-UP REMINDER** – Please be reminded that bus students must be at the end of their driveways or at their bus pick-up location at least 5 minutes before their designated pick-up time. The drivers will not wait for students. Thank you for your consideration!
- **Bus Cancellations:** To hear about bus cancellations please use the Wellington Dufferin Student Transportation Services website as to whether buses are running. Their website is: www.stwdsts.ca. If looking on the website, our area is Division 3, and if listening to a local radio station, we are located in North Wellington.
- **Lost and Found!** There are a number of items which have lost their owners. If you are missing something, please pop into the school and take a look!

Dates to Remember:

- **Grade JK through Grade 6 Skating** – Monday, January 28, 2019 from 1pm to 3pm
 - Parent Volunteers are needed to help the younger children tie skates and out on the ice! Please contact the office if you are able to attend.
 - Bus transportation will be provided.
- **Grade 7 & 8 Hockley Valley Resort Ski Trip** – Monday, January 28, 2019
 - Cost per Student/Parent:
Lift & Lesson only – Ski = \$23.80 with Rental (incl. Helmet) = \$34.00
Lift & Lesson only – Snowboard = \$34.30 with Rental (incl. Helmet) = \$42.50
- **Two Upcoming Hockey Tournaments**
 - Thursday, January 31 in Fergus
 - Thursday, February 7 in Orangeville

Open House and Registration – Wednesday, February 6

Upcoming Open House Days are planned for March 6, April 3, and May 1.

If you are a current family in the school and have a child ready for JK/SK, the necessary forms will be sent home soon for completion, but you are most welcome to come to one of our Open House Days if you would like. In the spring, Mrs. Culp will send an invitation for your child to visit the Kindergarten classroom for a morning.

If you know of any families with JK/SK age children who are interested in Christian education, please let them know about our upcoming Registration Dates. You can also contact the office and we will send them an information package. The best way to promote and market the school is through positive stories shared by parents to their acquaintances.

Fundraising:

Mabel's Labels: If you are in need of any labels for your children's clothing, school belongings, and accessories, please consider Mabel's Labels. Our school is signed up to receive 20% from any order received. Shipping is free! Please visit the following website to place your order: campaigns.mabelslabels.com. Thank you to everyone who has supported our school so far!

SPRING BAZAAR – 2019

Save the date! April 13, 2019! This is the next date for the upcoming Spring Bazaar. Come and enjoy a day full of the traditional excitement that this day brings. Games for the whole family, live and silent auctions, baking and craft items. Please keep an eye out for the pre-order forms in the New Year. Also, since the winter season is upon us, this is a great time to start any of those projects that would make great donations to the auction or the center table (sewing projects, woodworking, painting, or anything that you can think of).

If you have any questions, regarding the auction or center table, please send an email to one of the following committee members and your questions will be directed accordingly.

sheree.devries@gmail.com (Sheree DeVries) / btjubiland@gmail.com (Tryphena de Boer)

Requested Announcements:

Drayton Reformed Church invites you to join them for a night of clean comedy and coffee house at the Drayton Reformed Church, 74 Wellington Street South on Friday, March 1. Coffeehouse-7pm & Show-8pm. Contact the church office (secretary@draytonreformed.org or 519-638-2035 x21) to reserve/purchase your tickets today! *Ticket quantities are limited.

FINDING HOPE in the midst of ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION with Kimberly Whyte (NEW DATE)

Wednesday, March 20th, 7:30 pm at Drayton Reformed Church (74 Wellington Street, S. Drayton, across from Drayton Heights Public School). Kimberly Whyte is a Registered Psychotherapist and works as a Christian Counsellor with By Peaceful Waters. She has her undergrad from Emmanuel Bible College and a Masters degree from Laurier University. She serves as an adjunct faculty member in the counselling department at Emmanuel Bible College. Kimberly is passionate about being a support to those who are encountering challenging times in their lives.

FROM THE GRADES:

JK / SK:

Hi Everyone,

It has been a short week. This past week we have talked about Moses and the 10 plagues, focused on letter 'j', learning about 2D shapes and measuring our amaryllis.

Next Week: Monday - skating 1-3 pm

Tuesday - We are making our own lunch and having a 'family' meal.

Focuses: letter 'z' and 'w'

We will finish 2D shapes

Please let me know if your family would be interested in adopting chicks in May. We are going to hatch chicks this spring and then they will need 'forever' homes. I want to make sure that we are able to house them before we start this project.

FROM THE GRADES:

Grade 1/2:

If you have any extra **plastic grocery bags** that you can send in for our wet winter clothing, we would really appreciate it!

- **Math:** Grade 1 has been learning strategies for addition while Grade 2 has been using patterns on a 100 chart to add 2, 5, and 10 to bigger numbers.
- **Language Arts:** This week we are practicing the “ea” vowel team while we continue to review CVCe words and the “oa” team. We also continued to strengthen our editing skills as we are working on adding more details to our writing. Due to the snow day that made an already short week shorter, we will be **moving our spelling test to next week - Friday, February 1**. That way we will have more opportunity to practice in class.
- **Bible:** God showed His power at the Red Sea! We reflected on this story and what it teaches us about God. Our memory work for January is **Matthew 22:37-39** and is due **Friday, January 25**.
- **Creation Studies:** Our structures kept our “pigs” dry for 3 days! We are now working on self-assessing our projects and teamwork.
- **Show and Share Friday:** Grade 2
- **Parent Read Aloud:** Tomorrow, **Mrs. Cynthia Deen** will come. Next time, **Mrs. Vandenberg** will join us. Thank you for sharing your love of reading with us.

Grade 3/4:

Memory Verse: Psalm 23 is our new memory verse. It will be recited on tomorrow, January 25.

Bible: We have learned about the different kings of Israel during the time of the Divided Kingdom. We are now going to learn about the kings and prophets of the Kingdom of Judah.

Math: Grade 4 students are beginning a measurement unit. Students will practice converting millimetres, centimetres, metres, and kilometres as well as measuring perimeter. Grade 3 students will begin a geometry unit today. Students will be expected to identify and sort shapes using Venn Diagrams as well as draw lines of symmetry, and find vertices and parallel lines.

Daily Five: We will continue to work on our current spelling sort. In reading, students are identifying story elements.

Creation Studies: Students have been sorting structures found in nature and structures that are man-made.

Music: Students must bring their recorders on Tuesday and Fridays.

Agendas: Students must bring their agendas to school every day.

FROM THE GRADES:

Grade 5/6:

- Math - Both grades have finished off their unit on money and will now be looking at measurement. Grade 5 will be tackling time, elapsed time and the 24 hour clock. Grade 6 will be looking at volume.
- Writing - Students have been looking in the purpose, audience and task of writing. Who are your writing for? What is the purpose of our writing? These are all questions we have been trying to answer.
- Creation Studies - Forces of Nature slides are to be finished and we will be talking about protective equipment today.
- Reading - We are busy reading and discussing the book *The Underground to Canada*. Take a few minutes and ask your child what this book is all about.
- Book reports - Students have been assigned a dodecahedron book report. These will be due on February 19.

Coming up....

Friday, January 25

Memory Work - Deuteronomy 30:19-20

Spelling menu due - Spelling test

Happy Birthday, Iris!

Monday - Skating at the arena in the afternoon

Thursday - Hockey Tournament in Fergus

Friday - Memory Work - Ephesians 6:10-12

The Boys' Basketball team is still desperately seeking a coach. If you are at all interested please let the school know by next week Friday. If we don't have a coach, unfortunately they won't be able to have a team.

Grade 7/8:

- Math: Unit Tests for the Grade 7s and 8s are scheduled for next Wednesday, January 30th.
- Science: We are currently moving from Cells to Tissues and Organ Systems. The culminating presentations for this unit are scheduled for February 6th through 8th.
- Language: We have just begun our Literature Circles. Students are reading a novel of their choosing, and preparing and leading discussions on the content. Mr. Adams' writing group is currently reviewing Parts of Speech.
- Geography: After tomorrow's Vegetation and Soils quiz, the focus will be rivers and oceans.
- Memory Work: I Corinthians 13: 8-13 for Thursday, January 31
- Ski Trip: Monday, January 28. We hope to leave the school at 8:45 a.m. and return to the school by 5:00 p.m. The slope closes at 4:00 p.m.