



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Weekly Thought: This past week, Mr. Chris Robertson, the first person in history to travel 6520 kilometers under his own power from the bottom of mainland Canada to the top, spoke to our students about the importance of national unity, citizenship, responsibility and respect. What an inspiration he was to us. He left us with a challenge to be genuinely dedicated to making Canada a better place; not by being ordinary but by being extraordinary. What we do doesn't have to be complicated; determine a need and fill it. Simple things, realistic and within our means, combined with genuine passion to serve others, will make a huge difference to our communities and country. Below is a national prayer written by Chris Robertson. For more information about Chris' journey, please visit www.chrisrobertson.ca

Canada's Prayer

*I'm dreaming of Canada tonight.
A country where mountains and hopes touch the sky
A country where an ocean of kindness fills all hearts
A country where ideas are a forest of wisdom
O God let me wake up in Canada!*

*I'm dreaming of Canada tonight.
A country where compassion is as tall as a Douglas fir
A country where understanding is as deep as a great lake
A country where confidence grows like grain
Oh God let me wake up in Canada!*

*I'm dreaming of Canada tonight.
A country where happiness flows like the water of a river
A country where love is a breath of fresh air
A country where peace covers the land like snow
Oh God, please let me wake up in Canada, tonight...*

School Uniforms: Sorry for the delay but the new ties will be available at McCarthy's and the school

office (for your convenience) by Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

Also, please note that all students in grades 4-8 must purchase and wear the full new gym uniform (shorts, shirt, warm-up jacket and pants). Thanks for your cooperation.

Curriculum Night: Please mark your calendars for Tuesday September 22 at 7 p.m. We will begin with a formal parent meeting followed by two 25 minute sessions led by your child's teacher in their perspective classrooms. If you have more than 2 children in the school, you may choose to divide and conquer with your spouse.

Teachers will share relevant information regarding curriculum, rules and regulations, responsibilities, communication etc. The emphasis of the evening is to inform parents of the academic program at KCA.

The social or academic progress of your child/ren is best discussed privately, perhaps on another occasion. This event is intended for parents only.

Long and McQuade will also be at KCA this evening with information on instrument rentals for our grades 6-8 instrumental Band Program. For more information, please speak with Miss Hallyburton.

Scholastic Book Orders: Please note that while KCA does send the Scholastic book order forms home each month, we do not necessarily endorse every book on the list either from quality literature or from a Biblical perspective. There are however, many excellent books available each month.

Therefore parental discretion and discernments is advised in purchasing books for your children. If you would like input from a classroom teacher, they would be more than happy to discuss this with you.

Opportunities still available for Parent Volunteers:

If you are interested in helping out at KCA for the following positions, please call or email me:

- 1/ Yard Supervision during the times of 8:30a.m. to 9:00 am.or 12:15 – 1:00 p.m. (one or more times/week). You will be working along side of one of our teachers.
- 2/ Facilitating/Assisting in an After School Club:
 - Drama
 - Chess
 - Science Fair



3/ Do you play the piano? Are you interested in playing for our Junior Choir? We practice once a week. Please contact Madame Vereecke.



4/ Are you interested in speaking about the Lord Jesus Christ in your life to our Junior or Senior Chapel? Please contact Madame Vereecke.

New Name for our Weekly Newsletter: If you have a creative idea, please forward it to the school office or me. Thanks

Email Addresses: In order to foster effective communication between home and school, we would really appreciate it if you would email Lorna, school secretary, your email address. If you have done so in the past, please confirm that the email address that we have on file is still current. Please know that your addresses will be only used internally. Thanks so much.



Sept	Event	Note
22	Curriculum Night	7:00 to 8:30 p.m
25	Terry Fox Run	
29	ACSI Soccer Tournament (Gr. 4-6)	
Oct. 6	ACSI Soccer Tournament (Gr.7-8)	
12	Thanksgiving Day	No School
15	ACSI Cross Country	(Gr. 3 to 8)
21-23	Fair Glen Trip	(Gr. 4-5-6)
30	Picture Day	



Parents In Action News:

Working together with parents and school to build a healthy, safe and positive environment for the students of Kleinburg Christian Academy. We are pleased to announce our Parents In Action Committee members for the 2009-2010 school year. As the August newsletter stated, we asked that anyone who was interested in being part of this committee to submit their requests. We thank everyone who expressed interest. The selected members are: Maria Fava, Karen Lochhead, Sandie Bressanutti, Julia Ventresca, Charissa Yavtucovich and Garry Zondervan.

The Parents In Action Committee is responsible in assisting the principal in the areas of hospitality, fundraising, parent programming (information session on topics in interest/concern) and school development (marketing). The committee will also be engaged as a “sounding board” for new initiatives as presented by the administration of the school.

The committee will provide a summary of each meeting to all school parents in the weekly newsletter. If you have any thoughts or ideas on how to make our good school better which are within the committee’s mandate, please email us at: **PIA@kleinburgchristian.ca** and we’ll bring your comments to the committee. Our first meeting will be held on **Monday, September 21st at 9am.**

There are many opportunities to be involved in a workgroup such as with the hot lunch program and hospitality. We look forward to having many of you involved in any way you can to help build a healthy, safe and positive environment for our students at Kleinburg Christian Academy.

Thank you and we look forward to partnering with you again this year.

Hot Lunch Program:

Thank you for the great response on the hot lunch program response forms. If you haven’t completed and sent in your form yet, please send it in on Monday. To kick off our hot lunch program, we’ll be having a pizza lunch on Friday, September 25th.

All proceeds from this lunch will go to the Terry Fox Foundation. Information about the Terry Fox Run is enclosed. Please send back the tear off section of the enclosed Hot Lunch Form to indicate if you will be participating in the pizza lunch.

Thank you for your support!

MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAGAZINES

Just about every home has at least one magazine subscription. By purchasing the same magazine through QSP you will also be involved in fundraising. The order for magazines will be sent next Friday. Orders can also be placed on-line at any point throughout the year.



Soccer Practices: Tues. & Thurs. 3:30 to 4:20 p.m.



Cross Country Practices: Mon. & Wed. 3:30 to 4:00 p.m.

GYM UNIFORM: Grades 4 to 8

Just to clear things up, students are not being deducted marks in gym class for improper uniform at this time - I am simply checking for uniform and taking note of who has this CCS or KCA shirts and shorts. When sufficient time has passed for everyone to have the uniform (dependent on McCarthy's) students who do not have the proper uniform will not gain as many participation marks.

Participation is a very big of the gym mark, and I realize some students can't help it right now. What they can do is make sure they have appropriate shirts, shorts, and shoes for gym until their uniform arrives.

Hope this helps clear up any misunderstanding, Mr. Van Gorp

TERRY FOX RUN

Terry Fox became famous for the Marathon of Hope, which was a cross-Canada run to raise money for cancer research. Terry Fox ran this run with one prosthetic leg and is consequently considered one of Canada's greatest heroes. His efforts are celebrated internationally every September as people participate in the Terry Fox

Run, the world's largest one-day fundraiser for cancer research.

In order to commemorate Terry Fox's great accomplishments, our students will join thousands of students across our nation to help raise money for Cancer Research. Students will participate in Kleinburg Christian Academy's annual Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 25, 2009. In lieu of pledge sheets, we are asking students to bring in \$3 as a donation towards the Canadian Cancer Society.

At 2:30 p.m. we will be heading out to the soccer fields to participate in the run and there will be a healthy snack provided afterwards. Parents are welcome to attend.

Please send your donation to the school on or before Friday, September 25, 2009. Thank you.

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

JK – MRS. MORRIS

We can praise God for another great week of school. KCA practiced a **Fire Drill** on Tuesday. The students lined up one behind the other quickly and quietly to exit the school. Every student did a remarkable job. Well Done!

Bible: Beginning of the world. God created everything!

Letter and Sound: T t

Big Book Language: Come into My Garden

Math: It's the month of September!

Science: Happy Birthday Fall!

Tuesday: Wear your favourite fall colours in JK...uniform not required today in JK. Do you have any **bright fall coloured clothing** such as orange, yellow or purple?

Tuesday Evening: Curriculum Night at KCA....see General comments for more details.

Friday: Our Annual Terry Fox Run, please pray for safety and good sportsmanship.

Appreciation: Thank you for a variety of healthy snacks, seasonal napkins and sensed playdough.

SK – MISS STAM

We've had a good week! We are settling in nicely and have had some great success in our work.

We enjoyed learning about Angus, our **Student of the Week**, and look forward to our new Student of the Week. Who will it be?

Bible: We are learning about our need for God's Love by looking at the stories of Sin entering the World and Noah's Obedience.

Memory Verse: "As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease." Genesis 8:22 We will be learning this throughout the week and will say it as a class next week.

Language: Who stole the cookies from the cookie jar? We will find out this week as we practice recognizing each others' names. We are reviewing the letters Hh, Mm, and Kk. What do they sound like and how do we print them?

Math: We are wrapping up our first unit on classifying and sorting and will be having our first 'test' on Wednesday. For our next unit we will be exploring patterns.

Socials: This week we will discover many of the great things our bodies can do. Please send your child's All About Me homework back by Monday, September 21.

We will hopefully be starting **Library** this Monday. Each child will be allowed to take home one book, which should be returned the following Monday.

Found: A new KCA McCarthy's YXS cardigan with no name inside. If you think this may belong to your child, please let me know.

GR. 1 – MRS. MCARTHUR

Bible: Character Trait: Obedience. Focus story: Jonah.

Memory Verse: Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Colossians 3:20.

Spelling: List 1: fox, cut, hill, wind, put, all, moon, saw, tell, new. Bonus Words (optional) bad, ball, fix, ear, trip. Please remember to send the yellow spelling duo-tangs back to school every Thursday.

Phonics: Focus: Initial, Medial, and Final consonants.

Reading: Sight words we will be practising: **a, and, away, big, blue.** Consonant sounds will be practising: **b, c, d, f, g, h.**

Math: Chapter 1: Writing Numerals and Problem Solving.

Social Studies: This week we will ask the question, "Where Am I in God's World?". We will learn how to determine landmarks in our home and school communities as well as what it means to look at our surroundings from a "side view" and a "top or birds

eye view". We will also take a look at maps and have fun making our very own treasure maps.

Language/Writing: This week we will continue to practise brainstorming and learning to put our ideas on paper through the use of graphic organizers. This week in writer's workshop we will write a riddle, "Something Furry".

Reminders:

1. Scholastic Book Orders are due Wednesday, Sept. 23.
2. We visit the school library on Wednesday afternoons. Please ensure that your child returns his or her library book every Wednesday.

Have a wonderful weekend!

GR. 2 – MRS. MCARTHUR/MISS CRICHTON

Bible: Character Trait: Obedience. Focus story: Jonah.

Memory Verse: Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Colossians 3:20.

Spelling: List 2: ice, pick, gone, case, faces, cage, magic, age, wagon, give, giant, once, danger, places, climb. Bonus Words (optional): cargo, garage, glisten, pack, exercise. Please remember to send the yellow spelling duo-tangs back to school every Thursday.

Phonics: Focus: hard and soft c and g (sound to symbol and using words in context).

Reading: Sight words we will be practising: **after, again, an, any, ask.** Blends will be practising: **st, pl, fr, tr.** :

Language/Writing: This week we will continue to practise brainstorming and learning to put our ideas on paper through the use of graphic organizers.

This week in writer's workshop we will write our first descriptive paragraph, "Something Furry".

Science: We will be continuing to learn about How God Shows Us to Move: next week will have more focus on how things move in water and on land.

Math: Next week we will be learning how to classify patterns and will be working with currency.

Reminders:

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Have a wonderful weekend!

GR. 3 – MRS. MAJOR

Several of the grade three students have asked to take care of Teddy our hamster for a weekend. Parents, if you would like a “houseguest” and have a particular weekend in mind please let me know. I would be happy to make a schedule so that those who are interested have a turn.

Math: Subtraction word problems, “chapter check-up”, Intro chapter two: Place Value.

Spelling: List# 2: Short vowel sound words. (See your yellow spelling duo tang for the words). Spelling test is Thursday morning.

Writing: Last week we organized our writing binders. This week we are continuing the writing process, writing personal narratives (events from our own lives) and moving them through the “Ideas, Drafts, and Publishing” stages. Students are required to publish two complete pieces in the month of September.

Language: Reviewing short/ long vowel rules, and applying them to reading and writing.

Science: Labelling and determining the function of tree trunk structures.

Bible: Character trait: Wisdom (Why we need it and where we can get it).

Gym: Increasing our stamina as we prepare for Friday’s Terry Fox Run. (You would be surprised how winded we get after a little bit of running) “Wall soccer” and tag games.

Cursive Writing: Reviewing cursive terminology (lead-in stroke, starting point, retrace, release). Reviewing correct body and paper positions.

Library: Please remember to return library books on Friday.

Computers: “Home row” practice.

GR. 4 / 5– MISS HALLYBURTON

Memory Verse: Teach me O Lord the way of thy statutes: and I shall keep it unto the end.

Psalm 119:33

Bible: Life of Samuel as an adult

Spelling: Lesson 3 test on Friday

Language:

Gr.4 writing and recognizing good sentences

Gr. 5 subjects and predicates including verbs, helping verbs, state of being verbs, verb form and verb endings

Math

Gr.4 Patterns and equations

Gr. 5: The Grade 5’s will be having a test next week and then starting work on their multiplication and division facts and multiplying with 2-digit numbers.

Social Studies, forms of Government, Democracy, dictatorship, theocracy, consensus

Literature Unit on short stories

Music Each student will need a recorder or guitar for music. Recorders must be purchased from the school. They need to be ordered through the school office by Tuesday, September 22. Guitars should be a ¾ size classical guitar. (No electric guitars). Instruments will be needed in class on September 29th and every Tuesday and Thursday thereafter.

GR/ 6 – MR. VAN GURP

Thank you for your response to the Friday folder and your notes and questions in student agendas. I look forward to meeting you next week Tuesday to answer any questions you may have about classroom procedures and curriculum as well as plans for the coming year. You will note that yes, next week is already the third week of school and we have a number of short quizzes to prepare for.

Items coming up next week:

Bible: We’ll conclude the Salvation Series lessons with a quiz on Friday. No Memory work for this week due to the quiz. The quiz will be on the material covered in the sheets we completed in class from Lessons 1-4.

Math: We plan to finish on Unit 1: Number Patterns. Look for the quiz results from Thursday, September 17 on lessons 1-3 in next week’s Friday folder. We’ll have another short quiz on Lessons 4 & 5 on Thursday, September 24, 2009 before our test the following week.

Science: We are learning about “Motion”. Look for corrections on science work in the Friday folder. Next week our focus will be on Friction. We will learn about what to include in a lab report and will work on preparing a lab report. We will have a quiz on what we have learned so far on Friday, September 25, 2009.

Spelling: We are working on Lesson 3. We’ll have a pretest on Monday to determine what words we need to practice and a dictation on Friday.

Keyboarding: We are off to a good start in using “All the Right Type” to help us build our typing skills.

Grammar: We are learning about combining sentences, compound subjects and verbs.

Writing: We are making entries in our journals and writing in response to the novel we are reading in Literature. Students in grade 6 should be able to write in cursive. This is an area that needs practice.

Literature: We are reading the story of Billy Sunday and making notes on story elements, vocabulary and answering comprehension questions. We had a good discussion about bullying.

Computers: We have started our first project: “TechnoEditor” by getting organized – making folders and learning about the Microsoft Word environment.

Gym: We are continuing our unit on soccer with work on basic skills, positioning and a review of the rules of the game. We are also working on building our running and anticipation through warm-up games and a trial “Beep test.”

GR. 7 / 8– MISS AGNEW

The Grade 7/8’s have really gotten into the swing of things this week! We were very busy finishing our first chapters in History and Science. Our Literature Circles met for the first time today, and we have already enjoyed four chapters of our novel study book *Hatchet*. Next week will also be a busy one; here’s what’s happening. . . .

Memory Verse: Acts 2: 5,6

Spelling: List 2, sentences and definitions due Wed., Test Fri.

Writing: Quiz on Subject/Verb Agreement Tuesday

Reading: *Hatchet* Test Wednesday, chapters 1-5

Math

Gr. 7 Unit Test Friday, we will review in class

Gr. 8 We will be having our first test next week on what they have learned so far and will be moving on to solving variable equations.

Reminders: Don’t forget to check the Devotions Schedule! Remember to bring your gym uniform! Have a great weekend!
Grace and Peace.

FRENCH – Mme. VEREECKE

Grade 1’s are learning words for facial features and colours of hair and eyes.

Grade 2’s are learning to describe sore parts of their bodies.

Grade 3’s are learning to stuff their backpacks with school supplies in French.

Grade 4/5’s are continuing to learn about pizza ingredients, and are graphing class preferences. Test on the vocabulary September 24. Students will have

Grade 6’s are learning to give oral and written descriptions of criminals and their clothing.

Vocabulary test September 24 on fiche 4.

Grade 7/8’s will be reading and writing about fast-food restaurants. Vocabulary test September 24th.

