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Weekly Newsletter – January 22, 2010

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Weekly Challenge: What does mediocre mean? Write out a definition and use it in a complete sentence to demonstrate understanding. Hand it in to the principal first thing Monday morning. The first two students from each department will receive a small prize. Have Fun! Mediocre answers will not be accepted.

Nut Sensitive School Reminder:

This is just a friendly reminder that KCA is a Nut Sensitive School. Please note that nuts or any foods containing nuts should not be brought to the school at any time.

Also, we have a student in grade 3 that has been medically diagnosed with other food allergies. Therefore, the grade 3 classroom only and all foods offered at hot lunches and evening programs should also refrain from bringing in the following foods: coconut, mustard, raw wheat, play dough, banana, raw or boiled eggs, and raw egg containing products such as mayonnaise, egg salad, and omelettes. Please note that eggs in baked goods are not a problem.

As an added precaution, we ask that students do not share or exchange their snacks or lunches with any other student. Sharing is often a good thing to do but not when it comes to food allergies. Please remind your child of this at home as we will continue to do so at school.

Your cooperation on this matter is greatly appreciated.

Re-enrollment for 2010/2011: Packages are being sent home today. Please check out those backpacks. Thanks.



Feb.	Event	Note
9 th . to 12 th .	Classroom Poem and Speech Competition	
9	Jr. Girls Basketball	Philopteer School
12	Schoolhouse Play	Gr. 4 to 8
15	Family Day	No School
17	Jr. Boys Basketball	Philopteer School
25	Sr. Co-ed Basketball	Philopteer School
26	Non Uniform Day	Cost \$2.00
26	Progress Reports	

MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS



New Ties for Sale

The new ties are available for sale at the office until the end of January only.



Toronto District Christian High School

TDChristian High School in Woodbridge invites you to this year's drama production, Schoolhouse, by Canadian playwright Leanne Brodie. Don't miss this touching and often funny story of fresh young teacher Miss Melita Linton as she struggles to reach the students in her tiny prairie schoolhouse.

Performances take place February 11-13 at 7 pm, with a 2 pm matinee on February 13. Tickets only \$8 for students/seniors, \$10 for adults, \$35 for families. Get your tickets at the door or make a reservation by sending an email to playtickets@tdchristian.ca, and get more details at www.tdchristian.ca



Open House Success Story!

The Story & Craft and Open House held on Wednesday, January 27th was a great success. Opening our school is a great way to allow potential new families to experience the program and facilities we have to offer. A special thank you to Mrs. Morris for running the Story & Craft Hour and to Mrs. Janice Elliott for teaching the JK's during this time



KCA Annual Winter Fun Fair!

Bouncy castle, Slides, Carnival games and so much more! Get ready for a fun-filled event on **Saturday, February 20th from 10am to 5pm.** 50%

of proceeds goes to disaster relief in Haiti. Free Admission.

Hot Lunch Program:

Please find attached Hot Lunch Forms. Please return your form and payment by Feb. 3rd. Thank you for your support!



Pancake Tuesday!

We'll be serving a special pancake lunch on Tuesday, February 16th. Forms will be sent home next week regarding this Pancake Tuesday! To learn what

Pancake Tuesday means, go it:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shrove_Tuesday

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

JK – MRS. MORRIS

Groundhogs hibernate from early October until February. A groundhog's skin is very thick, tough and loose fitting. The hind feet and legs are longer than those in front. They use their bushy tail to support them when sitting up. **God thought of Everything!**

Science: My Shadow Book

Math: Goodbye January, Hello February!

Analog Clocks: What time is it Mrs. Morris?

Letter and Sound: Reviewing letters and sounds for the following:

F f, G g, L l, D d

Language: Wake Up

Library visits: Please return books for Monday's visit.

Bible: Jesus heals the man with leprosy.

Memory work: Luke 7:22

The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, and the good news is preached to the poor.

Upcoming Events:

Valentine Exchange: Thursday, February 11th will be our traditional valentine card exchange. Watch for a class list going home early in the week.

Family Day: February 15th is also National Flag day!

Wallpaper book donations: I'm running low on wallpaper books for cutting activities. If you have access to wallpaper books, please send one into the JK classroom.

Appreciation: Thank you for helping with our skating this month.

SK – MISS STAM

Bible: We continue with the story of David. He defeated Goliath, escaped from King Saul and wrote psalms to God. He trusted God and God blessed him.

Memory Verse: This is love for God: to obey his commands." 1 John 5:3a

Language: We continue to practice recognizing and reading long 'a' words. This week we also look at some special sounds- 'ay' as in pray, 'st' as in stop, and 'pl' as in plane. We will be reviewing all of our Word Wall words and will use them to write winter sentences.

Math: We continue with skip counting by 2s, 5s and 10s. We are finishing off our unit on larger numbers with a test on Friday.

Social Studies: We will be celebrating Groundhog Day this week. We will also be finishing off our winter unit by talking about mittens, reading The Mitten book and making our own 'mittens'.

Alexander was our Student of the Week! We will have Teacher of the Week next week, before we restart Student of the Week.

A new **February homework calendar** will be coming home Friday. At the end of the month, or when it is completed send it back to school and your child will get a prize for their hard work.

Scholastic orders are due back Friday, February 6th.

GR. 1 – MRS. MCARTHUR

Bible: This week we will look at the opposite of self-control (letting myself do whatever I please). We will look at the story of the prodigal son.

Memory Verse: You place your hand of blessing on my head. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand! Psalm 139: 1-6

Spelling: List 16: bunny, many, fry, only, lucky, by, tiny, penny, why, key. Bonus words: canary, shy, greedy, cherry, satisfy.

Phonics: Consonant digraphs: sh, th, wh, ch, kn, and wr.

Math: Place Value test on Monday. We will begin our next unit, "Money and Measurement" on Tuesday.

Social Studies: Canada: Review and wrap-up of the unit. We will learn about some very special Canadians who will be representing Canada in the Olympics!

Language: Reading and responding to, "The Chick and the Duckling" by Mirra Ginsburg.

Author of the Week: Melanie Watt

Writer's Workshop: Now that we have mapped out our main character, supporting characters, and the setting for our short stories, we will move onto creating the problem and solution for our stories. We will also take time to write letters of encouragement to Canadians who will be competing in the Olympics.

Reminders:

1. Keep practising your poem or scripture selection! A reminder that the Grade One's will be reciting their poems on Feb. 17th, and the Grade two's will recite their selections on Feb. 18th.
2. Scholastic book orders are due on Feb. 12th.

Blessings!

GR. 2 – MRS. MCARTHUR/MISS CRICHTON

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Memory Verse: You place your hand of blessing on my head. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand! Psalm 139: 1-6

Spelling: List 16: school, wrote, phone, knew, sign, knots, wrong, knee, knife, wreck, wrap, knock, rough, laugh, elephant, cough, wren, writer, graph, track. Bonus

words: knit, wrinkle, tough, cricket, anchor.

Social Science: We are starting a new unit on Communities Around the World

Math: We are continuing on with adding and subtracting double digit numbers

Phonics: Review of suffixes and syllables. We will wrap up Unit 4 this week. Keep your eyes out for a “Chapter 4 Check up” that will be assigned for homework this week. There will be a test this on Friday.

Language: Reading and responding to, “Sleepy People” by M.B. Goffstein.

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GR. 3 – MRS. MAJOR

Bible: Samson/ What can we learn about making good decisions and obeying God?

Over the next several weeks grade threes are learning Psalm 139.

Social Studies: Canada: rural and urban life, Intro to Canadian government

Reading: Swiss Family Robinson/ Chapters 4&5

Writing: Writing responses for Swiss Family Robinson.

Spelling: Suffixes that show comparison: -er, est (angrier, angriest, happier, happiest, easier, easiest, earlier, earliest, funnier, funniest, prettier, prettiest, lonelier, loneliest, heavier, heaviest, fancier, fanciest, juicier, juiciest).

Math: Multiplying 2-digit numbers, with and without regrouping. Please keep working on memorizing multiplication facts to x10.

Penmanship: More “loops” letters.

Gym: Fitness blasts, Hand-eye coordination games and activities, basketball skills.

Art: Completing our sock puppets

Choir: Grades 1-3 are in the process of learning two new choir songs.

Library: resumes this week

Reading Buddies: Friday at 1:00

Poetry Memorization: Please take time each day to practice your poem/ scripture. You have two more weeks to have it perfectly memorized.

Have an awesome weekend!

GR. 4 / 5– MISS HALLYBURTON

Bible: Life of David

Spelling: Lesson 19

Language:Gr.4 Verbs

Gr.5 Test Wednesday on; Using Modifiers

Math : Gr.4 Unit 5 Data Management Test on Wednesday

Gr. 5: We will be having a test on Wednesday on Transformational Geometry.

Science: Congratulations for the great job done and the Lungs projects. Every project was completed on time and a splendid job was done by all. If you would like to come and see them they will be on display in hallway Tuesday and Wednesday.

Literature: Novel Study on Underground to Canada

Music: Instruments needed every Monday and Thursday. Students are expected to practise for about 15 minutes daily

Gym Class: Basketball matching quiz on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2010. See the vocabulary words and definitions that were sent home Friday, Jan. 29, 2010.

GR/ 6 – MR. VAN GURP/MRS. BERG

Bible: Memory work for February 5, 2010: Nahum 1:7 “The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him.”

Math: We have a quiz about the measurement of time, money and surface area (Unit 6, Lessons 1-8) on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2010. We will have a unit test on Feb. 9, 2010.

Science: We have begun a new unit on “Forensic Science”.

Computers: We are designing a mystery story using features in PowerPoint. Headphones are needed for next week. MP3 headphones will work – try them on your home computer to make sure they work. If you need Mr. Van Gulp to purchase headphones, bring in a dollar by Tuesday, Feb. 2.

Language Arts: This week we are focusing on our speeches, our aim is to complete the rough drafts and to present them to the class

There will be no journal topic

Spelling: Lesson 17 and the test will be on Fri., Feb. 5 For our next book report the students are to select a book from the classroom library and the guidelines for the report will be handed out on Monday Feb. 1, this report will not be due until Friday, Feb. 26.

Gym: We are continuing our basketball unit..

Computer Class – Headphones Needed:

Students in grade six need a set of headphones that will work with a computer for our mystery project. These headphones need to stay at school and will be stored from week to week for computer class. Please make sure that they are labelled with the students’ name.

GR. 7 / 8– MISS AGNEW

You made it through exam week, well done!
Congratulations to all the 7/8's for your hard work preparing and writing exams. Here's what's happening next week. . .

- History – We continue with Unit 2
- Science – We start Unit 3
- Grade 7 Math – We start Unit 6, Perimeter and Area
- Language – This week students will write their speeches for our annual speech competition.

Math: We will be starting our new unit "Integers

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Have a good weekend,

Grace & Peace!



FRENCH – Mme. VEREECKE

Grade 1's continue to consolidate vocabulary for winter words.

Grade 2's are learning to describe their favourite winter activities.

Grade 3's are learning names for various insects.

Grade 4/5's are creating booklets comparing students and ants. Most of the work should be completed in class, with only finishing touches done at home.

Grade 6's are practising being waiters/waitresses, and are writing short paragraphs ordering food in a French restaurant. Pronunciation/reading tests this week were very impressive. Merveilleux! Written and oral vocabulary test February 2 on setting the table.

Grade 7/8's are writing a composition on a favourite endangered animal of the tropical forest, and are illustrating it with Power Point. Exams are over – YOUPPI! I was generally pleased with the progress made this year. Fantastique!

