



Principal's Corner: With Parent Teacher Conferences dominating the schedule for the next couple of days, I thought it might be helpful to share the following perspectives with you as parents. These comments have been shared with all of the teachers as well.

1. Of all the many gifts with which God blesses parents, your students are their most prized gift. That's always good to keep in the back of your mind as you talk with parents. While we often meet our students at their best, worst, and everything else in between; remember that they are dearly loved by the Lord, and cherished by their parents. Their problems or successes don't define them. They are children for whom the Lord has a plan. They are children of the Kingdom!
2. Have you ever considered praying with the parents at the end of a conference? To be prayed for by a parent, or to pray with parents is one of the most powerful things I have experienced as a teacher.

What a rich perspective from which to conduct these short meetings. May God be honoured by our conversations over the next 2 days.

Kindergarten Registration for 2020/21 for children born in 2016 or 2015: will be held on **Thursday, November 28, 2019**. If you have not called to arrange a time, please do so today! We look forward to seeing everyone on Thursday.

Chocolate letters: The letters have arrived! Please make arrangements to pick them up.

On Wednesday November 27th we will have our first ever **Litterless Lunch Day**. Please pack a lunch that has reusable containers in it. No plastic wrappers on food, drinking boxes, ziplock baggies. Apple cores and peels that end up in the compost are just fine! At the end of lunch, each class will have their garbage bins weighed and recorded. And, a prize will go to the class with the least amount!

Please join us as Huron Christian School Presents: "*The Promises of Christmas*". The matinee performance is on Thursday, December 12th at 1:00 p.m. The evening Christmas program is on Friday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome! **Please note that JK and SK will have school on Thursday of that week. There will be no JK or SK on the Friday.**

Upcoming Events

This Week

Tuesday, November 26	Parent/Teacher conferences
Wednesday, November 27	Chapel at 1:00 p.m. Parent/Teacher conferences
Thursday, November 28	Kindergarten registration
Friday, November 29	Pizza & Chocolate Milk lunch

Upcoming Events

<i>Tuesdays & Wednesdays</i>	<i>Library</i>
December 12	Christmas concert matinee at 1:00 p.m.
December 13	Christmas concert evening program at 7:00 p.m.
December 20	Caroling and Family skating
December 23—January 3	Christmas break—NO SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Conferences: Parent/Teacher conferences begin this afternoon. If you cannot make your scheduled time, please let the office know as soon as possible so that alternate arrangements can be made. Thanks for your help with this!

Dear Parents: Christmas must not be too far away, because, besides the practices for the Christmas program, "secret Santas" is the topic among the students in some grades. Our staff handbook makes clear the school's perspective; "The organized exchange of gifts by students for Christmas is not allowed." While the handbook does not elaborate on the reasons for this, I will suggest a few:

- There are often students who are left out of the exchange.
- While there might be a dollar limit set for the gift, there is always going to be a range of gifts bought, once again creating a discrepancy.
- There are families who do not want to participate in something like this, yet are "forced" to because their child(ren) are part of the group/grade level organizing this.
- The low dollar amount ensures that what is bought is not going to be of high quality, thus ensuring that the gift will probably end up in the garbage in short order. Can we somehow discourage that kind of waste.
- The bus is an extension of the school, so even organizing the exchange for on the bus falls under the schools statement above.
- To be clear, the school is not opposed to the idea of giving gifts. Secret Santas organized by children creates issues that

most students don't think about. It's our job as adults to guide them through that thinking. As a school we have intentionally organized a festive last day before the holidays for the whole school, thus eliminating the need for individual class parties. We hope that this kind of celebration will be enough to also discourage the need for secret Santas. Thank you for taking the time to talk to your child(ren) about this.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 2019 Huron Christian School Goods and Services Auction another successful evening. With thankfulness to the Lord, over **\$54,000** was raised to benefit our school. Once again we appreciate the donors, supporters and volunteers.

The Auction Committee

Thank you to our Huron Christian School community for your support during the loss of our father and Opa, Siep Bosma, this past week. It is a blessing to be in Christian community. - The Bosma and Kootstra families

Volleyball News: On Friday the boys and girls had their volleyball tournament in London against the Bluewater Christian schools. The boys had a great time, and learned a lot



about the great game of volleyball. After our round robin games we were 3rd seed in our pool. In the quarterfinals our first set was not very competitive, as we lost 11 - 25, but we regained some mojo but just couldn't pull it off, losing 23 - 25 and eliminating us from the tournament. We had a great day, and the amount of improvement over the course of the day is incredible. I'm very proud of the boys and the way they played. The girls played 3 games in round robin, winning one and losing two. They started the day playing the hardest team. This encouraged them to depend on each other and it fostered teamwork. It was a fun day and although we lost our play off game the girls served successfully almost every time and understood the importance of communication. Congratulations to our 11 grade 8's who attended the tournament! Special thanks to Brian Guichelaar for helping out with coaching that day and Lorraine Ridder for her help coaching the girls team.

The Praying Place

Please pray for:

- Thanksgiving for a successful Dinner & Auction.
- Parent/Teacher conferences tonight and tomorrow.
- Thanksgiving for the student from Smithville Christian High school who was missing and has now been found safe.

If you have a prayer request, please call the office to have it included in this corner.

JK: Mrs. Cameron

Email: ncameron@huronchristianschool.ca

Language: Letter Zz on Wed., Letter review on Friday and next Tuesday.

Math: Pattern Centers

Bible: Introduction to Christmas on Friday and "The Angel's Visit" on next Tuesday

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

SK: Mrs. Soer

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Tomorrow:

- library
- grade 3 reading buddies
- litterless lunch
- chapel

Friday:

- exchange SUAR books
- choir
- Teddy Bear Picnic: bring your teddy bear to school today
- December calendar will be in your child's back and forth bag

Next Tuesday:

- exchange SUAR books
- return last week's library book
- recite Psalm 100:5 "For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."
- choir

Grade One: Mrs. VanWyk

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Memory Work: Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding."

Please keep reviewing our Christmas/creation poem as well.

Word wall words: but, us, little, some, good

We are working on finishing up our family treasure bag and our community unit.

Grade Two: Mrs. DeBoer

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Grade Three: Mrs. Dykstra /Mrs. De Jager

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Memory Work: We are spending one more week reviewing Psalm 121. Students will be reciting the whole Psalm on Friday. "I lift up my eyes to the hills- where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip - he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD watches over you - the LORD is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."

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Grade Six/Seven: Mr. DeBoer

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Grade Eight: Mrs. Scott

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Birthday Corner:

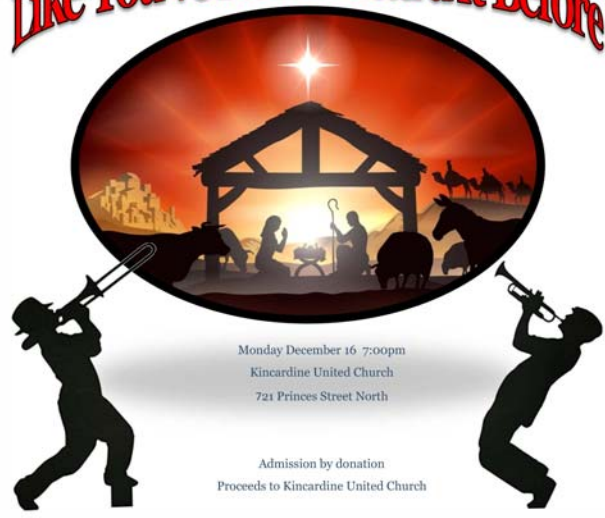
Micah	Grade SK	November 26
Amelia	Grade 1	November 28
Jocelyn	Grade 6	December 2
Ashley	Grade 8	December 2

Community News

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The Kincardine Brass Band 
presents
The Nativity
Like You've Never Heard it Before



Monday December 16 7:00pm
Kincardine United Church
721 Princes Street North

Admission by donation
Proceeds to Kincardine United Church

Remembering a life....and finding peace

A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Join us for an evening of remembrance as we come together, as a community, to remember our loved ones with music, readings and candle lighting.

Guest Soloist: Marianne Hogan

Accompanied by: Jennifer Miltenburg

TUESDAY DECEMBER 3rd, 2019

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION: St. Andrew's United Church
6 The Square Bayfield, Ontario

Refreshments Provided Courtesy of Haskett Funeral Homes



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