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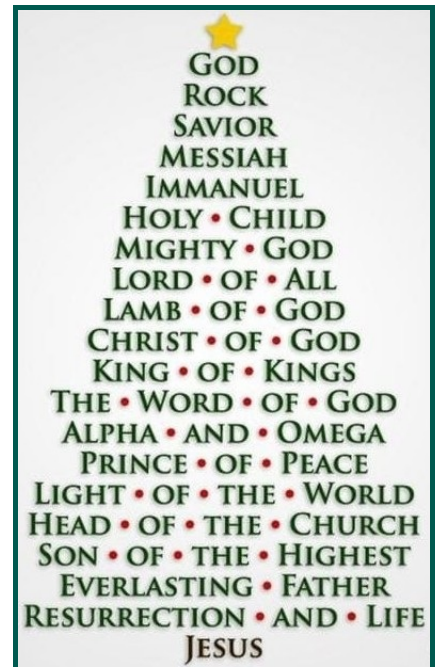
A Christmas Tree Blessing

"Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. (Psalm 96)."

"This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it; I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it; it will produce branches and bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. Birds of every kind will nest in it; they will find shelter in the shade of its branches. All the trees of the forest will know that I the LORD bring down the tall tree and make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish." "I the LORD have spoken, and I will do it." - Ezekiel 17:22-24

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. (Psalm 96).

Source: crosswalk.com



- Monday - Stephen B., SK
- Owen V., Gr.8
- Wednesday - Hailey T., SK

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Prayer Corner: Please remember to pray for our WCS family. As we head into the Advent and Christmas seasons, there are expectations for joy and celebration, but some feel loss and brokenness keenly at this time of year as well. Reach out and support and bless one another. Pray also for Mrs. Martin and her family and Mrs Westerveld and family as they cope with broken bones, injuries, surgery, and recovery time. Be the heart and hands of Jesus for one another.

Book Fair 2018: Thank-you for your great support for our Book Fair at the end of last month. We were able to raise approximately \$450.00 for our library! We deeply appreciate it! Mrs. Dieleman

Christmas Drama: Thank-you to parents, grandparents, family, and friends of WCS for being such a great audience for our various Christmas programs and the Angel Alert! drama production last week. Students and staff were happy to plan and prepare to celebrate the good news of Jesus' birth with you.

WCS Finance: December is Mrs. VanderBoom's last month with us in the finance office at WCS. You will see a new face around the school as Ms. Anita VanGeest will be our bookkeeper in training for a few weeks. Be sure to drop by this month to wish Angeline well and to welcome Anita.

Chicken: Thank you to those of you who ordered chicken this month. Your orders will be available for pick-up this THURSDAY, December 13th, between 3 and 4 pm. Please make arrangements to have your orders picked up during that time, as we will not be storing any orders at the school. We ask that you do not come for your order before 3, as we are often sorting orders right up until that time. This ensures accuracy for everyone. Please keep in mind that the school no longer has a large deep freezer so it is very important to make arrangements to have your orders picked up. Please note that we will not be responsible for orders that are not picked up without prior arrangements. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Sol at 519-539-7839 or jmsol@rogers.com.

School Life Christmas Celebration: The School Life leadership team is hosting a door decorating event. Students and teachers are invited to decorate their classroom doors in a Christmas theme. Doors should be decorated before December 14th and judging will take place on Monday, December 17th. On Thursday, December 20th students and staff are invited to wear Christmas colours, Christmas hats or sweaters or accessories. Have fun celebrating Christmas! From the WCS School Life Team.

School Skating: Grades 1 through 8 will be going skating at the Southwood Arena on Thursday, December 20th (not the 21st). You are most welcome to join us! Grades 1-3 will skate at 1:15 pm. Grades 4-8 will skate at 2:15 pm. Helmets, skates, and gloves must be worn by everyone on the ice.

Electives: In February 2019 on Wednesdays from 2:05 - 3:30, Woodstock Christian School will be offering electives to our junior and senior students. If you have any ideas for electives, or wish to lead an elective please email g.hiemstra@woodstockchristian.ca with your ideas by Thursday, December 13, 2018.

J.K.1 - Mrs. Westerveld: Welcome to a new week! We had a lot of fun with our Gingerbread baking last week! Our focus this week will be celebrating the birth of Jesus. Encourage your child to sing the songs that they are learning at school. Please bring in decorations for cookie baking this Wednesday (icing, sprinkles etc.) Thanks to Amy Perea - Melendez who has volunteered to help with this. For show and share on Thursday, please bring in a Christmas ornament or

decoration. Have a great week!

Wednesday - Library

- Baking

Thursday - show and share an ornament or decoration.

S.K.1 - Mrs. Poort: Thank you to all the parents who came out to watch us perform Luke 2 last week. It was

a great turn out and the students from each class did a fantastic job reminding us of Jesus Birth. Happy Birthday to Stephen and Hailey this week. We are starting a unit on the 5 senses this week. On Thursday we will be getting together with our buddies from grade 5 to decorate our rooms for Christmas. We are beginning our lowercase printing this week. The sounds of the day are listed below.

- Monday - z , sight
 Wednesday - w, hear
 - wear silver and gold
 - show and share bring something that is the colour silver and gold (please no real silver and gold)
 Thursday - ng, smell
 - pizza lunch
 Dec. 20 - We lead chapel and have our Christmas party, and wear something Christmasy.

JK2/SK2 - Miss Body: Welcome to a new week of school. Can you believe we only have two more weeks until Christmas break. Please pray for health during this cold season. I pray as you prepare for the celebration of Jesus that you will feel peace, joy and the presence of the Lord. We do not have letters or sight words that we are working on. We will be focussing our activities on Jesus and Christmas. Stay tuned for an email of a list of ingredient to be brought in for our baking day next Monday.

- Wednesday - Library
 Thursday - Pizza day

Grade 1 - Mrs. Schuster: Welcome to another busy week of school. This week we will be going on a field trip. If you are able to come, I would love the help with supervision. Because of our trip, I am attempting to reschedule our pizza day - stay tuned for more details. Please see the email tonight for more information about our week and some areas where I could use your help in the classroom!

- Monday - See VIP Folder
 Tuesday - Library
 Wednesday - Milk Bag Mats
 Thursday - Field Trip
 - Return Reading Logs
 Friday - Spelling Test

Grade 2A - Mrs. VanderPloeg: Welcome to a new week! Thank you for supporting our Christmas performances last week!! Your child's participation was appreciated! We have a fun-filled week ahead of us. Check your emails for more details about our class trips and an update of what's going on in Grade 2!

- Tuesday - Phys. Ed.
 - visit to Woodstock Public Library
 Wednesday - Library
 - Show&Share: Neel & Adelyn
 Thursday - Pizza Day
 - visit to Woodstock Museum & Theatre Woodstock
 Friday - Phys. Ed.
 - Spelling Test
 - Christmas Around the World Day 1!

Grade 2B/3B - Mrs. Horinga: Thank you for all the hard work of the students last week with the Angel Alert program - you were amazing! We are continuing in our writing retelling the Christmas story from various characters perspectives - the students have come up with some incredible stories. This week our spelling words focus on -ch or -tch spelling patterns.

- Monday - Library
 Thursday - Pizza Day
 Friday - Christmas around the World begins

Grade 3A - Mr. G. Hiemstra: Our performances are done! A letter is being sent home today regarding Christmas around the World activities that we begin on Friday. We also are thinking about the theme assembly as we begin to shape our ideas for the assembly that grade 3 is leading in January.

- Wednesday - French test
 Thursday - Memory work: Genesis 17:9
 - Bible test: Abraham
 Friday - Spelling Test

Grade 4 - Mrs. VanAndel: Welcome to the 15th week of school grade 4! We are ready to present our Bill Peet plays. Parents, if you can make it, please come to grade 4 at 9:00 on Friday morning!

- Monday - Devotions: Cody
 - Library: remember books
 Tuesday - Devotions: Corryn
 - Junior Choir sings at Oxford Gardens at

2:00
 Thursday - Devotions: Daniel
 - Pizza lunch
 Friday - Devotions: Julia
 - Memory work: Ruth 1:16b,17
 - Bill Peet plays at 9:00
 - Spelling tests
 next Mon. - Devotions: Julie
 - Library

Grade 5 - Mr. A. Hiemstra: Welcome to a new week and the 2nd last week before Christmas Holidays! A regular week; no special events. Next Friday I plan to have our Gr. 5 Christmas Party. Each year, I book the gym and the kitchen at the same time, and split the class into 3 different groups. The groups rotate between the gym and the kitchen (2 groups in the gym at a time). I always run the games in the gym and ask volunteers to help out with groups in the kitchen. We usually simply finish making an already almost-complete item, and decorate them before putting them into the oven to bake as each group will only have about 15min. Would anyone be willing/able to help out with that part of this? Thanks.

Tuesday - Music: bring recorder
 - Phys Ed: bring gym clothes
 Thursday - Music: bring recorder
 - Phys Ed: bring gym clothes
 Friday - Math Quiz: JM Pages 110-118
 - Bible Quiz: Nehemiah Story from notes

Grade 6 - Mrs. Hickey: Welcome to a new week. The secret gift exchange is Fri. Dec. 21st. Remember to read your AR book by the end of next week.

Tuesday - Library
 - Music (Instrument)
 Wednesday - Phys. Ed. (Gym Strip)
 Thursday - Pizza Lunch
 - Music (Instrument)
 Friday - Phys. Ed. (Gym Strip)
 - Spelling Test - List 11
 - Memory Work Quiz (Luke 19: 7, 8)

Grade 7 - Mrs. Racicot: Students are currently reading a science fiction novel. Reading should be completed this week. Students will be given class time next week to write their Dec book assignment.

Monday - Geography test
 Tuesday - math test
 Wednesday - Nov. book assignment oral presentations
 Thursday - Climate slide show presentations
 Friday - Luke 2:1-15 oral BMW

Grade 8 - Mr. Schaafsma: Welcome to a new week! Thank-you to Mr. Streutker for walking with us, and to Mr. Yu for driving to Caressant Care on Friday.

The seniors really appreciate our visits! For those parents who have ordered Fractured Fairy Tales they have arrived and are in the office for pick-up. Please make sure you pay \$80 before picking them up.

Monday - Phys. Ed. (bring gym clothes)
 Tuesday - Music (bring instruments)
 Wednesday - Phys. Ed. (bring gym clothes)
 Thursday - Pizza day
 - Music (bring instruments)
 Friday - Spelling Quiz
 - Bible Memory Work Quiz (John 19:26-27)
 - Math Quiz (Lessons 58-63)

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

December	13	Chicken is here!
	18	Board Meeting
	19	Prayer Group
	20	Christmas Chapel Skating
	22-Jan.6	Christmas Break
	26	Boxing Day Hockey Tournament
January	7	Back at School! Chapel @ 8:30
	10	Sub Day
	15	Board Meeting
	16	Prayer Group 8:30
	17	MS Readathon Assembly
	24	Pizza Day