



February 20, 2018

Our annual pancake breakfast at WCS helps support our neighbours around the world. This year, breakfast money is designated for Edu-Deo Ministries. Here is the logo for Edu-Deo. Look carefully and you will see a book, a butterfly, and the fish symbol through the centre of the design. This logo represents the transformative power of Christian education. Edu-Deo Ministries (formerly Worldwide Christian Schools) is a Canadian, Christian, mission organization serving children in developing countries with quality education rooted in a Biblical worldview. Education is one of the most powerful tools for reducing poverty. Edu-Deo Ministries promotes sustainable schools by partnering long-term with existing school associations and mission organizations. Their goal is to take the effective tool of education and combine it with the transforming message of the Gospel. Woodstock Christian School, on Wednesday, get comfy, get ready for pancakes, and help us support Edu-Deo! For more information see <https://edudeo.com/>

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## SO WHAT DOES EDUDEO DO?



### STUDENTS

Enabling students to break past the barriers that prevent them from attending school is fundamental to ensuring they benefit from a quality, Christian education! We fund scholarships that our partners offer to vulnerable children so that they have the opportunity to attend a Christian school.



### TEACHERS

Training is one of the greatest needs of teachers in developing countries and directly affects the quality and Christ-centeredness of the education given. We fund teacher training initiatives and send volunteer educators through the Walking Together program to facilitate workshops on teaching methods, developing Christ-centred curriculum, servant leadership and how to integrate a foundational Biblical worldview.



### SCHOOLS

A safe and pleasant learning environment is essential to quality, Christian education. We fund construction projects and send volunteer HANDS mission teams to assist with building, maintaining and improving school facilities such as classrooms, science labs and recreation areas.



Last Thursday - Malachi B., Gr.7  
Monday - Nadine S., JK  
Tuesday - Alex S., SK  
Wednesday - Duncan V., Gr.5  
- Lyna J., Gr.6  
Friday - Justin V., Gr.4

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

**Prayer Corner:** Continue to pray for one another for strength and comfort through the challenges and sorrows of life, as well as for shared joy through the blessings we experience together.

**Staff Appreciation Week:** A HUGE thank you to all who participated in showing appreciation to our staff last week whether that was through food, recess duty, or in your own personal way! Your participation is what makes weeks like this easy to plan, THANK YOU!

From the Staff: Thank-you! Thank-you! For all who appreciated the WCS staff by providing snacks, lunches, playground supervision, flowers, cards and/or other treats throughout the week last week - we feel loved and supported. We love our WCS families!

**Help! Props Needed:** Preparations are well underway for our upcoming performance of Oliver Twist. This week we will be gathering the props required for the play, and we would love your help! Please let Mrs. Bulthuis ([t.bulthuis@woodstockchristian.ca](mailto:t.bulthuis@woodstockchristian.ca)) know by this Friday if you have any of the following items we could borrow: wooden cane, small wooden jewelry chests, pocket watch, gold locket, bag to hold tools, handcuffs or shackles, several handkerchiefs, or small wooden bowls.

**Pancake Breakfast:** Students, wear your pajamas and bring your appetite and your favourite 'stuff' to our annual pancake breakfast on Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Donations will be gladly received for the work of Edu-Deo.

**WCS Electives for Junior and Intermediate Students:** Our third elective session is this Wednesday, February 21. Students going to venues other than at WCS will be leaving between 1:25 to 2:10 depending on the elective; otherwise electives run from 2:10 to 3:30. Please ensure you have your required equipment for the elective. This week because of the rain and mild forecast for Wednesday, skiing is cancelled. Students have selected an alternate activity for this week and will need to remember any required equipment to participate. Please ask your child what alternate activity he/she will be joining. Hopefully, the weather becomes colder and snow will be on the hill for next week.

**Chicken:** Thank you to those of you who ordered chicken this month. Your orders will be available for pick-up this THURSDAY, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, between 3 and 4 pm. Please make arrangements to have your orders picked up during this time frame. 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](mailto:jmsol@rogers.com).

**Mark Your Calendars!** The tickets are here! On Saturday, February 24, Beginnings Woodstock is hosting their annual family fun event, sponsored by WCS! Circo Comedia, a comedic circus duo out of Montreal, will be performing daring stunts and acrobatic tricks with their eccentric, family-friendly comedy! Concession available, and all proceeds go directly to the Beginnings Family Services Centre right here in Woodstock, serving all of Oxford County. Tickets are now available at the WCS office. Please contact Megan Booy with any questions.

**Science Fair Open House:** God created a wonderful world for us to love, enjoy, and use. Woodstock Christian School is hosting our Science Fair/Exhibition of Science Learning on Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be displaying and discussing their individual science fair projects, the 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are exhibiting their electricity projects, and each class - kindergarten through fifth grade - are presenting their experiments, studies, and innovations on their table displays as well. Judging will take place for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade projects. Students will be viewing the Science Fair/Exhibition during the school day and senior students will be discussing their projects with visitors until 3:30 pm. Parents and guests are invited to view the Science Fair as part of an Open house running from 10 am - 7 pm. Come explore the wonders of creation with us!

**Primary Choir Visit:** Sunday, March 4 at Covenant Christian Reformed Church, Woodstock. Please meet at the church at 9:45 a.m. Wear primary colours please.

**Springfest plans are well underway** and we are starting to look for vendors for our Marketplace. If you are interested in being a vendor please email Cara Renkema for an application form. We have room for 25 vendors. The vendor spots are now open to the greater community on a first come, first serve basis. If you want a spot book it now as they are filling up! Tables are \$50, \$25 for students. Any questions please call/text 519-535-8969 or email [ccrenkema@hotmail.com](mailto:ccrenkema@hotmail.com).

**Grade 9 Fall Registration from LDCSS:** Registration is now open for the 2018-19 school year! Download the application at <http://ldcss.ca/application-process/> or give us a call. Connect with Gabriella at 519-455-4360 ext. 231 or email [ghoogstra@ldcss.ca](mailto:ghoogstra@ldcss.ca) to book a tour.

**Learning Place:** Please continue to return book bags (grades 1-3) to school every Tuesday so they can be updated with new books and sight words. If your child ever forgets his/her book bag on a Tuesday, send it in the following day! Students may read the books in the bag and/or take advantage of the online books available on Raz-Kids. A reminder letter outlining how to log on to this website will be included in book bags this week. Spending just 10-15 minutes every night on these reading activities makes a big difference in your child's reading progress! Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments about your child's program or progress ([t.bulthuis@woodstockchristian.ca](mailto:t.bulthuis@woodstockchristian.ca)).

**Junior Kindergarten:** A huge thank you to the Moms who came and helped with our Valentines Day activities - thank you Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Buruma, Mrs. Mulder, Mrs. Renkema and Mrs. Smith. Your help was greatly appreciated. Welcome to a short week in Junior Kindergarten. Please let me know by Thursday this week if you would like to join us on our March 1 class trip. A note with details went home last week Monday. Wednesday - PJ & Teddy day: roll out of bed and come to school in your PJ's, you can also bring along 1 stuffy if you would like. Don't forget your donation for the breakfast (funds go to Edudeo)  
- Library Day  
Thursday - Pizza day

**Senior Kindergarten:** Welcome to a very soggy week! Happy Birthday to Alex who celebrates his 6<sup>th</sup> birthday today. Have a great day celebrating and may your year ahead be blessed. Tomorrow will be Pyjama, Pancake and Stuffy Day. Please wear PJs, take your favourite stuffy and bring \$5 for breakfast. We are working on our science fair project this week. Have a great week.  
Wednesday - Pancake Breakfast  
- PJ and Stuffy Day  
- Library  
Thursday - Pizza Day  
- Show and Share

**Grade 1A:** Welcome to what looks to be a rainy week. Thank you to everyone for the many ways you made me feel loved and appreciated last week. I am truly blessed for such a great class! Tomorrow is the pancake breakfast fundraiser for Edudao. Students are asked to pay \$5 for their pancake breakfast (or \$20 per family).  
Tuesday - Poems Due  
- Library Day  
Wednesday - Pyjama & Stuffed Day  
- Pancake Breakfast

Thursday - Pizza Day  
Friday - Spelling Test  
- Poetry Meet (in the gym)

**Grade 1B/2B:** Welcome to a new week! What a fun week we had last week! Thank you for your participation. We are eager to share & listen to our classmates' poems today. Check your emails for a look at what is going on in our class this week!

Tuesday - Gym  
- Library  
- Poetry Sharing  
Wednesday - Show & Share: Jason & Annelies  
- Pancake Breakfast {PJs, stuffies & donation}  
Thursday - Pizza Lunch  
Friday - WCS Poetry Meet {stay tuned for participants}  
- Gym  
- Spelling

**Grade 2A:** I hope that you all enjoyed your extended Family Day weekends! This week we will begin a new math unit called "Addition and Subtraction to 100." We will learn how to add and subtract with and without trading 10s and 1s. We will continue to learn about Jesus' Parables and their meaning for the kingdom of God. We encourage you to bring \$20/family to the pancake breakfast as a donation for EduDeo Ministries.

Tuesday - Library  
Wednesday - Gym  
- Pyjama and Teddy bear day  
- Pancake Breakfast  
Friday - Spelling Test

**Grade 3:** Welcome to a new week. Thank you to everyone who made Teacher Appreciation Week so wonderful. Today we say good bye to Bryan as he and his family returns back to Korea. May God bless you. We will miss you. Everyone is

invited to come to the Poetry Meet this Friday at 9 am in the gym. Students will be sharing their Forces Causing Movement activity for the class this week. Check email for schedule.

- Wednesday - Pancake Breakfast, wear PJ's, bring a stuffed toy  
 - Phys. Ed.  
 - Library
- Thursday - Pizza Lunch
- Friday - Mem. Work: Nehemiah 9:9-10  
 - Spelling Test: List 18  
 - Poetry Meet (9 am)

**Grade 4:** Welcome to a new week of learning grade 4!

Thank you parents for all the treats last week! I feel very loved! Grade 4 and their buddies are eating pancakes at 8:30 on Wednesday morning. If you have time on Friday morning, please come and listen to some amazing poetry at our Annual Poetry Meet. The meet begins at 9:00.

- Tuesday - Patrick  
 - Library: remember your books
- Wednesday - Tiffany  
 - Pancake Breakfast and Pajamas  
 - Music  
 - Electives: Week 3
- Thursday - Pizza lunch  
 - Phys. Ed.
- Friday - Alexis  
 - Happy birthday Justin!!  
 - Spelling test  
 - Poetry Meet at 9:00  
 - Memory work: last half of "Face Off with a Giant"  
 - Health: Bone Quiz  
 - Buddies
- Sunday - Singing at Marantha CRC at 10:00
- next Mon. - Anthony  
 - Music

**Grade 5:** Welcome to a new, short week. I hope all of you enjoyed your long weekend and were able to spend time with family! Here is our week at a glance:

- Tuesday - P.E.: bring gym clothes  
 - Music: bring recorder  
 - Speeches presented!
- Wednesday - Electives! Please bring required equipment/clothing
- Thursday - P.E.: bring gym clothes  
 - Music: bring recorder
- Friday - Spelling: Workbook Lesson 23 due  
 - Spelling Test  
 - Memory Work: Zephaniah 3:17  
 - Swimming: 1-2 pm. Bring swim suit!

**Grade 6:** has worked hard on their speeches, and we have a couple left to present. Student names will be announced for those going to OASIS in March. Students also are able to sign

up for the legion contest in March. Now that speeches are almost done we will be focussing on science and electricity projects. Please ensure you have your supplies for Thursday to work on it in class. There will be no math quiz this week. Grade 6 says goodbye today to Lyna as she moves back to Korea. We are so glad that you were in our class. May God bless you!

- Tuesday - Continue delivery of speeches
- Wednesday - Third week of electives  
 - Pancake breakfast  
 - Health Test
- Friday - Spelling: Unit 21  
 - Science Quiz: electricity terms

**Grade 7:** Science fair projects may be brought to school at any time. Projects will be displayed in the gym on Feb. 27.

- Tuesday - speeches
- Wednesday - Canadian provinces/territories quiz  
 - Pancake breakfast
- Thursday - science fair check-in #6  
 - pizza lunch
- Friday - math test lessons#5.9-5.14

**Grade 8:** I hope you all had an enjoyable Family Day Weekend! We will be wrapping up Science Fair projects this week in preparation for the WCS Science Fair next Tuesday.

- Tuesday - Music (Bring Instruments)  
 - Phys. Ed. (Bring Gym Clothes)
- Wednesday - WCS Pancake Breakfast in support of EduDeo Ministries (see Parent Link for more info)  
 - Electives
- Thursday - Music (Bring Instruments)  
 - Phys. Ed. (Bring Gym Clothes)  
 - Science Fair Check-in  
 - Spelling Workbook Due/Spelling Quiz

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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| February | 20    | JKCSS Board Meeting   |
|          | 21    | Pancake Breakfast<br>Electives                                  |
|          | 22    | Pizza Day   |
|          | 23    | Poetry Meet   |
|          | 27    | Science Fair & Open House                                       |
|          | 28    | Electives   |
| March    | 2     | P.A. Day*   |
|          | 5     | Grad Photos   |
|          | 7     | Staff Meeting<br>Prayer Group<br>Electives<br>Hockey Tournament |
|          | 8     | Sub Day<br>Report Cards   |
|          | 9 -19 | Winter Break  |
|          | 20    | Back at School!   |



**SONG OF THE MONTH:** By Faith  
By faith we see the hand of God  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness  
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth  
With the power of His promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand  
A place where peace and justice reign.

Chorus: We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the power to break the chains of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go  
In the power of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news  
In every corner of the earth. Chorus

By faith this mountain shall be moved  
And the power of the gospel shall prevail  
For we know in Christ all things are possible  
For all who call upon His name. Chorus 2 x

We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

Title: By Faith Words & Music by: Keith and Kristyn Getty C.C.L.I. #400245
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