

the Community Link

FALL 2015



From the Principal's Desk

Each year, teachers and students focus on a "Theme of the Year" and for 2015-2016, we have chosen "Telling God's Story" based on Psalm 107:1-2.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story... As we together delve into many of God's stories in the Bible, His Word, we realize that we also are a part of God's story. What is our place in this amazing God story? What can we tell? Knowing there is nothing in all creation that God does not proclaim as His own – He has created all things, and holds everything in His hands, we understand God guides our learning... in every subject area we uncover mysteries that help us see Him more clearly! He has planned and written our life stories and His presence goes with us. In our relationships with one another, as we interconnect with our communities and beyond, we share the story of His love and grace through our living and learning. Our stories of growth, mistakes, successes and nurture will be told throughout the year throughout our communities!!

Bernice Huinink-Buiter – Principal



COMING EVENTS

November 11th

Remembrance Day Chapel
8:30 a.m.

November 18th

Prayer Group – 8:30 a.m.

November 20th

20th Anniversary
Winterfest Auction

November 21st

Woodstock Christmas Parade

December 2nd and 3rd

Book Fair

December 10th

Christmas Dessert & Social

December 17th

Christmas Chapel – 8:30 a.m.

Welcome Wednesdays

School Tours 9:00 a.m. – Noon
All school year long.

Book Fair time again at Woodstock Christian School!

We welcome everyone from the community to join us in checking out the books, cards and more from three different companies – The Christian Armoury, Usborne Books, and Scholastic Books. They will be here on December 2 & 3 from 4 to 9 p.m. This is a great time to get some Christmas shopping done! A portion of the profits are redirected into literacy projects at Woodstock Christian School for library or curricular resources.

*Photo Credit: Janelle Kroondijk – Grade 8
Photography Leadership Team*



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Student Leadership Teams 2015-2016

New for the 2015-16 school year, Woodstock Christian School has implemented Student Leadership Teams. The staff has organized over 20 different teams of specific interest and skill sets, ranging from Snow Shoveling, Environmental, Pet Care, Kindergarten Help, Hot Lunch Delivery, Bus Patrol Teams and beyond. Our Chapels are a great time to see many teams in motion.



*Photo Credit: Cora B.
Grade 4, Photography Leadership Team*

From setting up the chairs (Facility Management), preparing the sound and microphones (Sound Technicians), Musical Accompanist (Music – Assembly) to the students who welcome our visitors (Greeting Team), the students work together to ensure an enjoyable morning together. You will also see the members of the Photography Leadership Team taking pictures at many school events, such as at the Thanksgiving Day Chapel (above).

WOODSTOCK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

presents...

Our 20th Annual Winterfest Auction

November 20 ~
6:00 pm

We would like to thank all of the businesses that have made donations and to all those who come out for a great night of fun and fellowship to support our school!
We are blessed by our community of supporters

***Join us for Dessert and Social
Time on December 10th at
1:30 p.m. followed by
"Christmas around the
World" presented by the
primary students of Woodstock
Christian School.***



Hello, I am Marcia Horinga and I am the new Junior Kindergarten teacher at WCS. I am married to my husband Jeff for almost 10 years and we have four amazing children; Evyn (8), Nicholas (6), Adelyn (4) and Jenna (2). Both my husband and I are alumni graduates of this school and we were so excited to have our kids join the Woodstock Christian School community in 2014.

In 2013 our family went through the toughest year of our lives, we had many trials come our way that have changed the course of our life. It was because of the caring Christian community to which we belong that we were able to make it through the rough times. Christian community has been such a blessing to our family. When we were able to enroll our children at WCS we knew that they were going to continue to experience the Christian community we had experienced in our trials. Having our kids come home singing Christian songs, reciting prayers and gaining a deeper sense of their daily faith just reconfirmed that our children were in the best place possible. So naturally when a job opportunity came available at WCS I applied and prayed that I would be able to join this fantastic community of staff members. When I was asked to be the Junior Kindergarten teacher I will admit I cried at first (happy tears) and then without hesitation said yes. This was a place that I not only wanted my kids to be part of but, I wanted to belong to, as a staff member.

Woodstock Christian School is a wonderful caring community of people. I look forward to caring for the students as they begin their school life in Junior Kindergarten, so they too can experience God's care for them.

Marcia Horinga – Junior Kindergarten Teacher



JK and SK Information Night.

Thursday February 4th, at 7:30 p.m.
Woodstock Christian School
800 Juliana Drive, Woodstock

Welcome Wednesdays

School Tours: 9:00 a.m. – Noon
All school year long.

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Terry Fox Foundation Challenge

The staff and students are working hard to make a difference in Oxford County! At our Thanksgiving Chapel we collected food for the Food Bank. Students brought canned goods in and filled the table! During the same week our teachers challenged our students to raise \$3500 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Once the goal was met, the teachers dyed their hair PURPLE at a surprise assembly!

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