

EYE ON IMMANUEL

"Where Faith and Learning are Connected"

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Principal's Message

Remembering:

Students at Immanuel Christian School will be taking time on Friday to commemorate Remembrance Day. Students participate each year as part of their commitment to honour soldiers who gave their life for the freedoms we have today. In the past few years there has been a noticeable change in the tone of the commemoration ceremonies. With the Canadian military making a difference in Afghanistan. The reality of soldiers engaging in their tour of duty has once again become very real to many more people... too real for some families. The fading memory of Canada's participation in war is no longer a fading memory. With the events of the past decade we are re-

minded, starkly at times, how fragile a peaceful life is for many parts of the world. It makes us value the country in which we live. Capturing memories is an important part of celebrating what is important to us. When we raise our children, remembering begins with little things... celebrating birthdays, celebrating team victories, celebrating a good report card, celebrating a good piano recital. I remember a book called, *Making Memories*. This book focused on the importance of families in creating events with friends, with neighbours or with one's own family. Rather than just letting life happen we realize the value of embracing life. The term 'making memories' has taken on a new meaning for people who love scrap-

booking party can be memorable occasion, the focus is on capturing past memories. By taking the time to remember, we highlight what is important to us. When we raise our children, remembering is commemorated, memories will be captured to be shared and relived. Join us Friday at 10:45 or stop by your local cenotaph to commemorate what we all value... the freedoms we cherish in this great country. *But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy peace and prosperity.* Psalm 37:11

Jasper Hoogendam
COO/ Principal

proceeds will go to the Gate 3:16.

Bazaar News: Please see separate insert for the latest updates on our annual Bazaar.

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November		
8	Tu	Gr. 5/6 Fairview Lodge
10	Th	Cheese orders due
11	F	Remembrance Day assembly, 10:45 AM
13	Su	ICS Band at Zion CRC, 10AM
14	M	Dental Screening - K & 1/2
16	W	Café Epic Face Lunch Hour
17	Th	Hep B & Men C shots (1st dose) - Gr. 7, AM Cheese order pickup ICS Fall Membership mtg., 7:30 PM
17	Th	Grade 8 Evening Open House at DCHS
18-19	F, Sat	Volleyball tournament, Bowmanville
25	F	P.A. Day - Report Card Writing, NO School ICS Day Camp
26	Sat	Bazaar/Auction, 11AM -3PM

Prayer Concerns:

As a group of believers we are asking you to pray for members of our school community who are battling cancer. Camilla Singh, mother of Aaron Singh in grade 7. Irene Bakker grandmother of Luke and Emma in Kindergarten. Marion Heeringa mother of two of our graduates. Please pray for God's love and peace for all the family members.

IMMANUEL'S NEWS

French Café: Our grade 5&6 Students will be hosting a Café during lunch on Wednesday Nov. 16th. All Students are invited to join us for a sandwich, dessert and drink. Each item cost

\$1.00. There will be jam, cheese, ham, chicken, egg salad and roast beef sandwiches. Juice, hot chocolate and tea. Cookies, pies and cakes. So take a break from making lunches and join us at the Café Epic Face. All

IMMANUEL NEWS (CONT'D)

Thank You to all who sold and bought cookie/muffin dough! Our top 3 sellers are: Aaron Banga \$556, Rachael Roberts \$482 and Laura Gates \$256. Honourable mention to Matthew McDonald who sold \$226. Well done everyone!

Cookie/Muffin dough will be at the school and must be picked up at the school on Thursday, November 10th between 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM.



School Pictures: The picture packages were sent home last week with your child(ren). The order deadline is Monday, Nov. 14th. All orders must be in by that date.

Cheese order forms were sent out with the newsletter this week. Orders are due back to school by Thurs. Nov. 10.



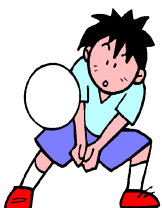
Boys' and Girls' Volleyball:

Teams have been selected! We are now gearing up for the tournament on November 18th and 19th in Bowmanville. We will be looking for drivers to leave the school at 3:00pm on Friday to get the team to Knox for 4:00 opening of the tournament.

Coaches:
Mrs. L. Garey



Mrs. I. Reinsma



Ski Club: Are you looking for something fun to do to actually enjoy the winter weather? Why not join ski club? For six Thursday evenings (starting January 19th), you can join us as we head out to Brimacombe right after school, get skiing or boarding lessons, ski until 9:00 pm and have a ton of fun! If you are interested in this exciting program, you can get information from the school office or Ingrid Reinsma. We need to have our registrations in by mid December! You can do this on line just go to www.brimacombe.ca/trips. Every skier/snowboarder needs to fill in a waiver. New this year, every participant also needs to wear a helmet this year! Forms were sent home with interested participants last week. Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

Environmental Club: We have started a Terracycle Project with the environmental club at ICS. We are collecting koolaid jammers, glad bags/containers, chocolate bars (including Halloween ones make sure they are peanut free cookie/cracker bags. Visit the web site for more information on this recycling fundraiser program. <http://www.terracycle.ca/brigades.html>

Rainbows: The Rainbows program for students in grades 1 to 8 will begin on Thursday, November 24. The invitation to join the Rainbows program is extended to students who are experiencing the recent death of a family members, divorce, separation or any other major crisis in their family life. Mrs. Cathy Schenk and Mrs. Michelle Libby will be leading the program this year. If you feel that your child(ren) would benefit from this peer support groups, please contact the school office.

ICS Day Camp will be offered again on Friday, November 25 8:50 to 3:30. Please register by Monday November 21.



Prayer Group: Come meet with us Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am in the library to pray for our school, our families and the staff and students. Everyone is welcome. If you have any prayer needs you can share them with Georgiana, Nicole, Jacqueline or Cindy. Call us at our homes or see us around the school.

Social Development Small Groups: Each Monday and Tuesday, ICS students in grades 5 - 8 have opportunity to attend an all boys or all girls small group time led by two Durham College Students. Krystal Bond and Stephanie Bouma are in the Social Service Worker program, and are spending two days a week at our school. Each week a different theme will be discussed, ranging from self-image, managing emotions, communication (both body language and internet), and respect. The rotation will include Gr. 5/6 & Gr. 7/8 girls alternating Mondays, and Gr. 5/6 & Gr. 7/8 boys alternating Tuesdays. The students will eat their lunch during the program, which will be in Mrs. Kaldeway's classroom, and there will always be an extra snack available. Questions? Contact Mrs. P. Kaldeway at the school at office@immanuelsschool.ca

Important Reminder: Please make sure all Halloween treats that come to school are peanut free.



CLASSROOM NEWS

JK/SK Mrs. Jorritsma

Bible: We will be doing some catching up and reviewing lessons in Bible this week. The memory verse for the month is "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind" (Luke 10:27a)

Language: The letter of the week is A. The word of the week is and.

Math: This week in math we are talking about events that could happen and could not happen.

French: We continue to look at shapes in french this week.

Social Studies: Thank you to our chaperones who helped us out with our field trip to the Oshawa airport. I would also like to thank Mrs. Abraham for organizing the field trip. The students really enjoyed it!

Happy Birthday: Happy Birthday to Hailey who celebrates her special day on November 9. Hailey is welcome to bring in something for show and tell on this day.

Healthy Snack Day: Friday, November 11 is healthy snack day. Please have your child bring in a healthy snack today.

Show and Tell: Ricky and Cadance have show and tell this Friday, November 11. Please have your child bring in an item that starts with A and/or is the colour brown.

Star of the Week: Nathaniel is star of the week on November 14. Please send in a small display of pictures for your child to present in front of the class. Your child is also welcome to bring in a toy for show and tell as well as a peanut-free snack to share with the class.

Extra socks: It's that time of year when many socks get wet from the rain/snow. Please send in 2 extra pairs of labelled socks to school that we can put in your child's cubby.

Full-Time Enrichment Program: Free show and tell will be this Tuesday. Please have your child bring in an item to share with the class.

Grade 1/2 - Mrs. Garey

Bible: This week we will be focusing on the selling and enslavement of Joseph.

Memory Work: *I want you to realize that the Lord is God. He made us, and we belong to him. We are his people. We are the sheep belonging to his flock.* Psalm 100:3

Language: For the month of November we are working on sequencing.

Reading: As we explore sequencing we will be going through Laura Nemeroff's If you give... series. This week we will be focusing on If You Take a Mouse to School. We are almost finished our classroom novel: Ramona the Pest.

Reading-At-Home! This week students will be starting a take-a-book home program. They will receive an envelope with a leveled reader and comprehension worksheets to accompany their book. Envelopes are due every Friday and time spent working on the reader can be used for reading record minutes.

Writing: We are learning to sequence ideas.

Working With Words:

Gr 1: as, make, me, same, skate

Gr 2: as, make, me, same, skate, trade, names, skater

Math: This week we are wrapping up our numeracy units. Students will be estimating and problem solving.

Creation Studies: We will be creating maps of our classroom and school. A homework assignment will be going home for students to create a map of their favourite room in their house. A parent note will accompany this. Please help your child as needed.

Art: We are learning about the use of line.

French: We are learning animal words as well as some food words in preparation for our visit to the Café.

Music: We are learning about timbre and brass instruments as well as learning Sing for Peace in preparation for Remembrance Day.

Can you help? I have some cutting that needs to be done in preparation for Wednesday's art lesson. If you are able to help I would greatly appreciate it!

Winter Clothing! The cold weather is arriving. Please remember that students should come to school with a coat. Don't forget to label ALL hats, mittens, boots, coats, etc... It really saves me a LOT of sorting time! Thank you!

Grade 3/4 - Mrs. Gergolas

This week we **welcome** a new student to our class! **Lattieanna McCleod** will be joining the grade 3s. We hope she soon feels at home with us.

LA: This week we are practicing the skill of sequencing. Please practice this as you read at home too. Ask: What happened first, second, next, last? We will be practicing this strategy this week in our books. There will be a spelling test on Friday.

Parents, how is your child doing with this homework? Students are expected to read at least 15 minutes each day and record the name of their book in their agenda daily. This is an expectation for the year.

Math: Grade 4s are enjoying their new unit on Geometry. Grade 3s are working on addition and subtraction of large numbers. Please practice at home also.

PE: We are beginning a new unit on Volleyball.

CLASSROOM NEWS (CONT'D)

Social Studies: This week we are looking at our Global Neighbours and comparing countries with Canada. Our atlases will be busy!

Bible: We are talking about the story of Isaac and testing. Memory work is part of Health class this time and is due next Monday.

Grade 5/6 - Ms. James

Spelling: Our new spelling word list is in your child's agenda on Saturday November 12th. There will be a test this Friday.

Reading Records: all reading records are due on the first day of every week.

Math: We are completing Unit 2 (Whole Numbers). Due to the need for extra review, the unit test has been postponed until this Thursday. The textbook challenge "Show What You Know" is an excellent pre-test material for students to be studying at home.

Physical Education: This is our final week for the fitness challenge unit. Our next unit - Volleyball! - will be launched this Friday. Students are reminded that they must have their gym clothes for every Monday, Thursday, and Friday.

Grade 7 & 8 - Mrs. Reinsma / Mrs. Kaldeway

Our class is in charge of the **Remembrance Day** assembly on Friday. We hope to start the assembly by **10:45**. All are welcome to attend.

Geography: Students presented their projects last week. Marks for them will go home on Tuesday. We will have a test on Tuesday, review sheets went home last Thursday. Notebooks are due on Wednesday.

Science: There will be a test on Friday. A review sheet will go home Tuesday. Notebooks are due next Monday.

Bible: Students will be given the outline for a project in Bible having to do with the theme of faithfulness. These projects will be due on the 23rd of November and will be started in class this week.

Last week a letter went home regarding a request for email communication with parents. I would like to be able to send home the course syllabus for Language Arts and Math, should you need to oversee your child's homework completion at home. I look forward to receiving your consent for this communication. Thank you!

Math: Gr. 8 Test Unit 2 on Tuesday.

LA: All students must have an independent reading novel at school every day. Students are also expected to be using their Reading Logs to reflect on what they are reading with friends as well as the teacher. All books that have been read need to be recorded in the back of the log.

Spelling: Test on Thursday

Scripture Memorization: Congratulations to Matt DeBrouwer and Ryan Haaksma who received a prize in October for participating in the Memory Challenge. We will have another draw on Nov. 30. This week's theme is Wisdom. *"Teach me to number my days that I may have a heart of wisdom."* Psalm 90:12

French 7: Our marked quizzes were returned on Friday.

French 8: Our marked quizzes will be returned on Tuesday!

Band News:

All senior band members are required to be at Zion CRC Sunday

November 13th by 8:45 am.

Please call the office if you can help with transporting music equipment.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Mother Daughter Night: Come hear Sheila Wray Gregoire share some tips on surviving the teen years with respect and laughter. Practical wisdom for both moms and daughters. Thursday November 10th 7-9pm at Durham Christian High School. Admission is \$5.00 per person. You can register at development@dchs.com

THINKING ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL?

Have you thought about who or what will influence your children and their thinking as they travel through their adolescence? Grade eight students and their parents are invited to discover more about Durham Christian High School. Find out about all of our unique and exciting programs. Parents and students are invited to attend our Information Evening on Thursday, November 17th with a dessert social beginning at **7:15 PM**.

For more info call the school at 905-623-5940 or go to www.dchs.com. Be sure to check out the new website that features video clips of families, teachers and students talking about the benefit of their Christian educational experience... go to www.whychristianschools.ca

De-Mystifying Social Media: Come hear Karl Nielsen speak to parents about the Social Network. The pros and cons and setting guidelines for your family. Tuesday November 22nd from 7-9pm at Durham Christian High School. Admission is \$5.00 You can register at development@dchs.com