



# High Level Christian Academy



**“THE JOY OF THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH”**

*“Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.”*

Nehemiah 8:10

## MARCH 2022 MEMOS

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This last month has brought many new changes to our world but has also made steps to bring things back to “normal.” While things may seem to be returning to normal, it is important that we do not grow complacent. We need to continue to be active in our town, province, and country. We need to be active in reaching out to our neighbors with love and compassion; we need to hold fast to the truth and share it with others. We need to serve as Christ served, to pray for God’s redemptive work to be done across our country. In 2 Timothy 4:1-5 Paul gives Timothy this final charge,

“In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: <sup>2</sup>Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. <sup>3</sup>For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup>They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. <sup>5</sup>But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.”

While the freedoms and rights we experience here in Canada are good, we need to remember that our God is in control even when there is no freedom, and our rights are violated. Our God is in control, but more importantly that while He is in control, He longs for all to come to Him for redemption, that no one would be lost.

Starting March 1, HLCA can return to normal operations; no more cohorting as a school or class; desks can be in whatever formation teachers want; teachers’ smiles will be mask less; we are rejoicing over this. It has been a long time since we have been able to do many things. We are rejoicing because after 2 years we can gather for a pie auction once again! On March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, please join us at the Christian Fellowship church as we gather to fellowship together and gather as a school community. Report Cards will be sent home later this month; keep your eye out for interview sign-ups with your teachers. On March 25<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our annual Academic Fair; come on out and join us as your students share their learning and hard work.

Ms. Jeffrey

## CLASSROOM REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ECS – GRADE 1

In March, our class is welcoming a new Grade 1 student named Silas. In February, we welcomed a new kindergarten student named Lian.

#### ECS

**Language Arts:** We are learning about rhymes. We will be covering the rest of the digraphs: ou, oi, ue, er, and ar.

**Math:** We are learning about addition within 10. Students are learning various strategies for addition.

#### GRADE 1

**Language Arts:** We are now reading level H for guided reading. Our focus will be on opinion writing and finding the main point of reading passages.

**Math:** Grade 1s are working on a Numbers Unit. They are reviewing skip counting and number values up to 100. Students will also be starting a unit on money.

**Social Studies:** In preparation for the Academic Fair, we will be learning about the research process. On March 25<sup>th</sup>, Grade 1s will be working on a mostly home project to research a country of their choice. Since they are new to the research process, Grade 1s will be provided with a country that is most familiar to them. Canada will be the country in which they will focus on. Please help your child with the Academic Fair at home. It is intended to be a home project. Apart from the Academic Fair, students will be starting a new unit on learning about different leaders. We will focus on Alexander the Great, Joseph from the Bible, and Hammurabi.

**Science:** Students will be starting a new unit “Seasonal Changes”. They will learn that God is exact and orderly. This can be seen in how the seasons change each year.

### GRADES 2 – 4

**LA:** We are writing persuasive paragraphs. We will also work on alphabetization (ordering) and use this to develop dictionary skills.

**Math:** Grade 2’s wrapping up patterns. Will soon start unit on Number Sense (counting to 100, ordering numbers, number lines, addition and subtraction with number lines). After that they will work on skip counting and estimation.

Grade 3’s are working on t-charts and using repeated patterns to add and subtract. We will soon be working on

skip-counting and multiplication, then use these concepts to lead into division.

Grade 4’s are finding patterns in multiplication. We will work on division after that, then move onto data and analysis.

**Science:** We are nearing the end of the building unit. The next unit will be Hearing and Sound.

**Social:** We have just finished learning about services in Peru, India, Tunisia and Ukraine. We will learn about the workings of government in those communities, and how decisions are made. Next, we will learn about the differing land and resources, climates, and environments.

**Health:** We will soon wrap up learning about Zones of Regulation. After that we will learn about nutrition.

**Bible:** We are learning about what it means to be born again. Then we will learn about responding to the Gospel, using the Parable of the Sower to guide us. After that, students will learn about the importance of Thanksgiving.

### GRADES 5 - 6

**LA –** We will continue in our functional writing unit. Functional writing is focused on writing information, research, and opinion writing; it includes paragraphs, research reports, and letter writing. After our functional writing unit is over, we will begin story writing for a few weeks. We will continue with our reading challenge, spelling, word work, and grammar throughout these units.

**Math –** The fives and sixes have both completed their first Math books right on track. The grade 5s have just begun a unit on fractions and will then learn about decimals after we finish our fractions unit. I have received some requests for the pizza fractions project, so I may be assigning that for extra practice later this month. The grade 6s will have two units focusing on working with decimals: adding and subtracting and then multiplying and dividing. Then they will move into geometry, focusing on transformations of various 2-D shapes. We will also work through a series of problem solving lessons throughout the next months.

**Science –** We are wrapping up our unit on Air and Aerodynamics, finishing later this week. Students will now get to apply their learning in our next unit on Flight. Students will be making all sorts of flying items and will learn the parts of a plane and helicopters.

**Social Studies** – We completed our unit on the historical models of Democracy and have begun learning about our local government. We will begin with looking at the government of High Level and our county; after we will examine our Provincial government and how it operates.

## GRADES 7 - 9

**LA** - We will continue our functional writing unit. We will be focusing on various skills, such as, essay writing, note-taking, summarizing, and editing. We will continue with the reading challenge, vocabulary, and grammar throughout this unit. The Jr Highs will have a note-taking assignment to be completed outside of class, preferably at church.

**Math** – The grade 7s will complete a unit on multiplying and dividing decimals and measurement, before beginning their next math book. The grade 8s will complete a unit on geometric transformations, before moving onto working with percentages.

**Social Studies** – We have begun examining the Aztec culture and history pre-European contact. The Jr Highs are learning about some tough events in history, including the start of European Imperialism. We will be examining what happens when two worldviews and cultures encounter each other and how they influence each other.

**Bible** – We have begun examining the Biblical Worldview of Biology; we are learning about how our beliefs about the beginning of the world and creation influence every other facet of our worldview. Students are making connections that what they believe about God and creation determines how we think about ethics and our purpose of life.

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

### ALLERGIES/MEDICAL

Please let us know if any of your children have any allergies or medical concerns, we need to know about so we can best accommodate them.

### HOT LUNCHES

A hot lunch will be offered every Thursday. Order forms will be sent home the last Monday of the month for the following month or the first Monday of the month, depending on what day the first day of the month falls on. Please ensure the orders are in at least 2 days before hot lunch day.

### ATTACHMENTS

1. Monthly Calendar

## 2. Hot Lunch Order Form

### CUTLERY/UTENSILS

The school WILL NOT be providing any cutlery to students except for hot lunch. The students MUST bring their own. We suggest they always have a set in their backpacks or lunch kits.

### WATER

There will be a water cooler in the hallway available for students to fill up their water bottles just as we had last year. The water fountain is functional also for students that forget to bring their water bottles.

### VISITOR SIGN-IN

Please report at the office by signing in before proceeding to any classroom. Scan the COVID-19 health check list posted on the entrance door before entering the building.

### STUDENT PICKUP

The afternoon dismissal time is 3:25pm. All students must either walk home or be picked up by a parent or guardian. If someone other than the parent or guardian is picking up a student, the school must be notified prior to dismissal time.

### STUDENT SIGN-IN

Please stop by the office to sign your child "in" if you are dropping them off after 8:50am or "out" if you are picking them up throughout the day before 3:25pm. This will assist us in knowing which children are on site.

### NEWSLETTERS – MEMOS

Each last Monday of the month the **youngest child** in the family will bring home the Monthly Newsletter (Memos) with attachments for the coming month. Please take time to read the newsletter to keep yourselves informed of the upcoming expectations and activities.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Please check out our website @ [www.hlccademy.ca](http://www.hlccademy.ca) for upcoming events and homework. HLCA has a Facebook group. Its purpose is to be an additional source of information for parents, supporters and alumni to keep up to date on current events at HLCA. It is a supplement to our school newsletter. If you wish to have something posted, (information, encouragement, praise/prayer) please contact the school. Essentially, it is like an electronic billboard. Questions, comments, and concerns need to come to the school by way of phone, text, email or in person. Questions related to your child's class are

best communicated by phone, text, email, or a note in your child's agenda.

## IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

**Mar 4: ECS Grad Photos** 9am

**Mar 5: Pie/Silent Auction** 7pm @HLCF 10906-100 Ave

**Mar 14: Pi Day**

**Mar 16: Parent/Teacher Interviews** 5-8pm

**Mar 17: Parent/Teacher Interviews** 5-8pm

**Mar 18: PD Day** – No School

**Mar 25: Academic Fair** 1-3pm

## (HLCES) UPDATE FROM THE BOARD:

On Schoology in the HLCA Parents group is an open discussion forum for asking questions of the board; Ms. Jeffrey will be notified when a question is posted and will seek a response from a board member.

Board Members are:

- Shawn Wiebe – Chairman
- Ray Lapka – Vice Chair and Secretary
- Jerry Krahn – Fundraising & Maintenance
- Suzanne Wolfe - Member

**\*HLCES needs a couple of additional board members. If you would like to nominate someone or are interested in becoming a member, please contact Shawn @ (780-926-0745 for more information. Please be in prayer for this.**

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS

**Fundraising Goal:** \$152,900

**Actual to Date:** \$45,560

### Pie/Silent Auction

We still need 7 more pies to be donated for the auction. Also, more items for the silent auction would be appreciated. Thank you

## HIGHLIGHTS & HAPPENINGS

### Olympics Day



