

# The Cornerstone Contact

December 9, 2024



## ~~ From The Office ~~

Welcome to a new week.

This week we will have our pizza day on Tuesday, and on Friday, grades 1-6 will enjoy a games afternoon for the work they did for reading month and "filling the shelves" with all the books they read during the month.

Next week we will be having a couple fun outings for the end of the year. For the elementary (gr K-6) - they are headed to Lynden Skateway from 12:30-2:30. We will be needing drivers for this....Kari will be sending an email regarding this today or tomorrow, so please let us know how you can help!

Our high school (gr.7-12) will be going to Aim & Game in Bellingham from 12:30 -2:00pm. (So that students or parents can arrive back at the skating rink by 2:30pm in time to pick up younger students from there (if needed) ). For the students heading to Aim & Game, we will like to know who will need a ride with the carpool. And in conjunction with that we also will need approval from the parents for those who will be driving themselves. This is a school outing and with that the school is responsible for students' whereabouts during this outing. Also, an email will be heading your way today or tomorrow regarding this as well. Thank you!

Have a great week!



**James 1:17,18**

*"Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow. In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures."*

### Happening this week:

**Tues:** Pizza Day

**Wed:** Sr Project Presentations

**Fri:** Games Afternoon (Gr. 1-6)

### Birthday Greetings:

Tues: Chloe K

Wed: Selena V

Sun: Jessie V



## Freshman Student TTC Driving Schedule

### Tuesday:

#### Drop Off From CCS to TTC (10:10am):

Leshia K & Janice Dy

#### Pick Up From TTC to CCS (12:00 pm):

Leshia K & Michelle V

### Thursday:

#### Drop Off From CCS to TTC (10:10am):

Ranelle F & Jada T

#### Pick Up From TTC to CCS (12:00 pm):

Ranelle F & Jada T

## Sophomore Student TTC Driving Schedule

### Thursday:

#### Drop Off From CCS TO TTC (8:00am):

Janice D

#### Pick Up From TTC TO CCS (10:00am):

Janice D & Sara D

### Friday:

#### Drop Off From CCS TO TTC (8:00am):

Sharon V

#### Pick Up From TTC TO CCS (10:00am):

Sharon V

## General News:

### Upcoming Dates:

Dec. 20 - Last Day of school 2024

Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 - Christmas Break

Jan. 6 - First Day of 2025

Jan. 20 - Martin Luther King Day

Jan. 24 - HS 2nd Qtr Reports

### From the Cleaning Ladies:

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#### Cleaning Schedule:

**This Week:** Dec. 9 -Dec. 13

Kelli K, Joanna B, Lacey L, Michelle Van

**Next Week:** Dec. 16 -Dec. 20

Janice Dy, Sharon V, Andrea B, Jolene V

## 2025 Coupon Books

The new coupon books for 2025 are in!!! As a wrap up the 2024 coupon books were all purchaseD and we bought another 200 books for next year. Each book profits the school \$5 and gives you savings for much more than that!

This year there are a few extra coupons like Lynden Fro-yo, Grocery Outlet and the museum.

The book costs \$15 again and is available at the front office and the Green Barn. Please mark your payment clearly and place it in the lockbox for Ladies Aid or use venmo (code is located by the coupon books).

Thanks all for helping this be a successful fundraiser.

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~~ From Mrs. Kruyswijk ~~

As our devotional reading in the am I've been reading through the short poems from the book "All Creation Waits -Children's Edition" by Gayle Bos. They feature how animal wait through the winter for spring to come and how God created them in many various and detailed ways to withstand winter. Ask about the painted, turtle, muskrat, black bear....and see Psalm 104.

**BIBLE**

M -The Shepherds-Luke 2:8-19

T -Simeon-Luke 2:25-

W -Anna-Luke 2:36-3

Th -The Wise Men – Matthew 2:1-16

**MATH 1** Facts that equal 7, 8, and 9, story problems with plus and minus, addition of 3 single digit numbers such as 4+6+2.

**MATH 2** Addition facts that equal 15. number line with 2 digit addition, regrouping with 2 digit addition, counting money with quarters, dimes, nickels, pennies

~~ From Mrs. Kooiker ~~

I enjoyed talking with you all at conferences last week. It is wonderful to work together with you in teaching your child to read and write.

First grade parents: I am so pleased with the students' growth in reading! Our decodable books come home two nights in a row because reading the books several times moves students from decoding/sounding out to automaticity which is key in learning to read. If your child has mastered reading the decodable book fluently the first night, then they may read a different book to you the second night and you can fill that book in on their reading log.

**1st Grade:**

**VoWac:** Lessons 57-60 (initial blends)

**Spelling A:** sled, blink, flag, glad, class, block, plum, cliff, blotch, flock, what, mother

**Stories:** "The Library Trip"

**Grammar:** adjectives, commas in a series, paragraph format

**Writing:** group by how things are the same and different, poetry: Christmas/winter

**2nd Grade:**

**VoWac:** lesson 182, end of unit assessment (soft c and g)

**Spelling:** week, ketchup, know, class, spill, sketch, move, lunchbox, been, thick, fantastic, they, porch, spark, goes

**Stories:** "Hungry Little Hare," "The Tale of Three Trees"

**Vocab:** wary, shrubby, amid, invisible, snoopy, camouflage, disguise, praying mantis, avoid

**Grammar:** sentences

**Writing:** group together ideas and details, journaling: Christmas narrative

The Grade 1/2  
Classrooms are a  
**NO Pistachios**  
**and NO Cashews**  
Zone!



Memory Work: **Grade 3:** Ps.142:1 **Grade 4:** Ps.91:1

Next Week: **Grade 3 & 4:** Luke 1: 67-71

~~ From Mrs. Groves ~~

Have a great week!

**Bible** (¾):

Mon: Elijah and Obadiah

Tues: Ahab and Elijah on Mount Carmel

Wed: Elijah is comforted by the LORD; Elisha is called

Thurs: a prophet condemns Ahab

Fri: Ahab steals Naboth's vineyard

**Math**(3):

Mon: act out, draw and write number sentences for equal group stories

Tues: draw pictures, write number sentences for equal group stories

Wed: identify and draw lines of symmetry

Thurs: write division problems in three ways, divide by 10, by 7, by 1, identify quotients

Fri: subtraction facts of 2, -2, fact assessment of x7

**Language Arts** (3):

**Spelling:** r-controlled syllables

**Reading:** Secret Place

**Writing:** persuasive writing

**Handwriting:** pg. 79-81

**Grammar:** pronouns

**Science** (¾): investigating sound and hearing

**Geography** (¾): Greece and Rome

**History** (¾): life in Ancient Greece

**PE** (¾): Tuesday and Thursday

~~ From Mrs. Stevens ~~

### Grade 4 Language Arts

Wow! I'm so proud of your students! They all earned 100% on their spelling word test and have increased their scores on the spelling dictation test. At this point, I'm looking for an application of good spelling in their writing compositions. Well done grade 4!

**Reading:** The Milkmaid and Her Pail

**Vocabulary:** provide, imagining and vanished

**Grammar:** Sentence pattern: S-Vi

**POS (Part of Speech):** review

**Writing:** Persuasive writing

**Spelling:** Contractions

**Homework:** No spelling homework. Keep reading and record your reading nightly on your reading log. I'm hoping that all reading logs were turned in this morning. They are due the first day of the new week.

~~ From Mr. Houweling ~~

### Grade 4 Math

It's fun to see the students building confidence with their times tables. We start the lessons by singing some of the tables. We're committing the 3, 4, 6 & 7 times tables to heart. Hopefully you hear your child singing them from time to time at home :)

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday         |
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| 51     | 52      | 53        | 54       | Test 10 L46-50 |

Have a blessed week.

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**Memory Work: Grade 5: Ps.103:7 Grade 6: Hy.14:1**

**Next Week: Grade 5 & 6: Luke 1: 67-75**

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**~~ From Mrs. Kooiman ~~**

Last week, students did so well on their science energy interviews! Not only were they very knowledgeable about their topic, but they also gave great presentations on our "Energy Talk Show". These next two weeks we will have a variety of assessments and final projects, as well as multiple fun activities. It will be a busy time, so please keep checking in with your students to make sure they are keeping up with it all! There will be more information coming out soon on Gradelink about some of our class's Christmas celebrations.

On Thursday, December 19, our class will have the opportunity to visit the SPARK Museum in Bellingham, concluding our unit on electricity and energy. I am still looking for two more drivers! We will leave school around 9:20 and should return by 12:30. If you are willing to drive for this field trip, please send me an email to let me know how many passengers you can fit. Have a great week!

**Bible:** finishing unit 6 - the Israelites in the wilderness

**Language Arts**

- **Reading:** Johnny Tremain - newspaper project
- **Writing:** tall tales rough drafts
- **Spelling:** spelling packet due Friday before the test
- **Grammar:** past and future tense verbs

**Science:** energy and electricity review

**History:** leadership after the civil war, timeline

**Geography:** a physical map - South America

**Devotions:**

- Monday: Jaycie
- Tuesday: Lila
- Wednesday: Delaney
- Thursday: Titus
- Friday: Lucas
- Next Monday: Lexi

**Current Events:** Jeremy, Jaelyn, Adri



**Drivers Needed!  
Field trip to SPARK  
Museum**

**Thursday, Dec. 19th 9:20- 12:30**

**~~ From Mrs. Bareman & Mrs. Sterk~~**

**Math 5/6**

We will be completing Lessons 52 through 55 this week. 5th grade will have a test on Thursday and 6th grade will have one on Friday.

**~~ From Mrs. Kottelenberg ~~**

**Music 5/6**

- (1) Recorder focus: p. 20 (new note F#), p. 23.
- (2) Review: p. 14 - 19 (low E, low D).
- (3) 6th grade / Challenge: p. 21, 22, 24, 25.
- (4) Reminder: bring purple music folder to class on Tuesday.

Absent email: [absent@cornerstoneschool.us](mailto:absent@cornerstoneschool.us)

**CCS is Pistachio & Cashew Aware!**

# Memory Work: Grade 7 & 8: John 1:6 - 13

Next Week: **Grade 7:** Hy. 19:1 **Grade 8:** Hy. 19:3

~~ From Mr. Houweling ~~

Our classroom was abuzz with excitement this past week: three students received an award in the Patriot's Pen competition: Lukas Faber (1st Place), Cassie DeMooy (2nd Place) and Emma Davis (3rd Place). Congratulations students, and to the parents, too, for your wonderful support. It's also an encouragement to our School as a whole that we're on the right track insofar as teaching writing skills, so congrats all around to students, parents and teachers. What a blessing to have all the tools at our disposal to ensure our students are developing the skills they need as they enter the "Big Wide World". Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.

Last week I mentioned that the students in our class have organized a "Secret Santa gift exchange" for next week. I'm hoping to do this in the last period next Thursday, as Friday is going to be too busy! The suggested amount is up to \$15. Rather than just providing a peer with a gift, the students are to write a meaningful appreciation comment concerning something about school for the recipient on a note and attach it to the gift. Eg, "I appreciate how you made a quizlet to help me study for our Bible test last week"

The memory verse for this week is quite a "chunk" of verses. It would be great if you could hold your child accountable in committing it to heart; perhaps recite it together as a family at the dinner table through the course of this week :)

Here are some noteworthy things for the week ahead:

### Friday

- Bible Test
- Elijah's Book Selling presentation
- Memory Verse
- This week: John 1:6-13
- Next week Hy 19:1 (7) Hy 19:3 (8)



### Book Selling Presentations

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| Fri Dec 13:<br>Elijah | Fri Dec 20:<br>Justin | Fri Jan 10:<br>Kaylyn | Fri Jan 17:<br>Josiah | Fri Jan 24:<br>Sophia | Fri Jan 31:<br>Lukas |
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### Everyday:

- Christmas Reflection Assignment
- Prepare Book Selling Presentation
- Math corrections and completion of lesson work
- Spelling and dictation assignment work.

### Bible Lessons this week:

| Monday                  | Tuesday                | Wednesday                 | Thursday                | Friday      |
|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| The Decree of Ahasuerus | Nebuchadnezzar's Dream | Nebuchadnezzar is humbled | The writing on the wall | Review Test |
| Daniel 2                | Daniel 2 & 3           | Darniel 4                 | Daniel 5                |             |

### 7/8 Mathematics:

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday         |
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| L54    | L55     | L56       | L57      | Test 10 L46-50 |

### Devotions this week:

**Mon:** Lily, **Tues:** Cassie, **Wed:** Sophia, **Thurs:** Lukas, **Fri:** Taleesha

### Devotions next week:

**Mon:** Katlyn, **Tues:** Vincent, **Wed:** Josh, **Thurs:** Jace, **Fri:** Thomas

**Thought of the week:** "The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation." Col 1:15

Have a blessed week.

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