

# KNOX TALKS



Weekly Newsletter of  
John Knox Christian School

November 7, 2011

Last week Tuesday, the Canadian military paid respects to its 158th casualty since our nation entered into war in Afghanistan in 2002. Master Cpl. Byron Greff is Canada's latest military victim, and he joins countless others who have given their lives in order that we might live in a free nation. Every November 11<sup>th</sup>, our nation takes a little time out of our busy schedules to remember the sacrifices soldiers like Byron Greff have made to protect our freedom. As I am writing this piece, our grade 6 class is out visiting with veterans at the Woodstock Legion. Grade six is interviewing them to hear their stories of sacrifice and how they fought for freedom. We will not forget! Please join us on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. for our annual Remembrance Day assembly here at John Knox Christian School. Grade 4/5 and Grade 8 will also be going to the Woodstock Cenotaph to take part in the ceremony of remembrance held there. Join our school in thanking God for the gift and blessing of freedom we receive here in Canada, and please pray for those who have suffered personal loss for these blessings to take place.

Michael J. Meinema: Principal and COO



Monday	- Marisa deVries, Gr.3 - Matthew Takacs, Gr.1
Tuesday	- Allan Hickey, Gr.8 - Max Racicot, Gr.7
Wednesday	- Matthew Duizer, Gr.2 - Matthew Scheele, Gr.2
Friday	- Brayden Sol, Gr.2
Saturday	- Samuel Ogunmodede, Gr.5
Sunday	- Katelyn Mulder, JK

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

**Foster Child Collection:** On Friday the grade 1 students will be collecting donations for our foster child Lousca. Thank you for your generosity and support!

**Remembrance Day Assembly:** On Friday November 11<sup>th</sup> the grades 5/6 and 1 students will be hosting the Remembrance Day Assembly. Parents are invited to join us at 8:30 am in the school gymnasium. All students will be receiving a poppy and donations will be received (for the poppies) for the Veteran's Fund.

**Voucher Program:** Attached to this Knox Talks is our Special Christmas Voucher Order. These are gift cards that we offer only at Christmas time so that you can have a wider choice for your Christmas gift giving. If you have people on your list that are difficult to buy for, Gift Cards are the perfect solution. Check out this special list! Order must be in by November 25<sup>th</sup> and we expect that they will be in by December 9<sup>th</sup>.

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**Note from the JKCS Board:** There has been some misunderstanding regarding Membership at LDCSS. Under the current structure if you are a member of the John Knox Christian School Society you are also a member of the London District Christian Secondary School Society. This gives you voting privileges at the LDCSS Membership Meetings.

**Santa Claus Parade:** The date for the Santa Claus Parade is getting closer. November 19, 2011! Grade 2 and 5 students, please hand in your reply forms to your teachers by Wednesday so we can plan accordingly. Also, we are looking for donations of goodies for the treat bags for our children on the float. Any donations can be dropped off at the office. Any questions please contact Jolanda Horinga @ 519-475-6450 or e-mail [ejhoringa@xplortnet.com](mailto:ejhoringa@xplortnet.com). Thanks so much!

**Looking for working Wii Remotes.** JKCS is looking for a few Wii remotes/controllers or Wiimotes! It is possible to use the infra-red technology in these controllers to create interactive whiteboard technology for the school, at very little cost. If you would like to see how this works, go to <http://www.ecanvas.ca/> for more information. If you have some extra controllers that you are willing to part with, please drop them off at the office! These can become Wiimotes can become more great tools the staff uses to integrate technology into teaching, which adds to more engagement in student learning! If you have any questions, please ask Mr. Meinema.

**Boomerang Lunches:** A boomerang is a curved piece of wood that when properly thrown will return to the thrower. A boomerang lunch is a lunch that has every piece of it return to its source. In other words, everything in the lunch goes back home at the end of the day. No matter if it is leftover food, containers, recyclables or garbage, it all goes back. Yes, even the garbage. What is the Purpose? To increase awareness of the amount of waste created in one day's lunch, to encourage the use of reusable containers and to discourage the use of disposable containers. We have been working on a number of ECO Friendly opportunities this year at JKCS in order to care for the world which God has entrusted to us; we invite you to join us this week in taking part in Boomerang Lunches!

**Senior Boys Volleyball:** Today after school we travel to Tillsonburg to play Monsignor O'Neil. A thank you in advance, for Mr. Scheele's willingness to drive the players to the game. Parents can pick up players at John Knox at 5:30 p.m. This coming Wednesday and next Monday we will have a practice until 5:00 p.m. Next week Wednesday we will begin our playoff round. Please keep Saturday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> available if we make it far in the playoffs. G. Hiemstra

**SAMKO TOY SALE:** The toy sale is on again this year from November 18 – 24, 2011 at the Western Fairground in London. This is a great opportunity to get some Christmas shopping done and raise money for the school. The flyer with some of the deals that will be offered at the sale as well as the hours of operation for the sale went home two weeks ago. Upon checkout, simply inform the cashier that you are fundraising for JKCS Woodstock and they will stamp the back of the receipt. Return the receipt to the school by November 28 (request a photocopy if you wish to have a copy because the original must be submitted to the company) and....we get 10% back in cash rewards! Any questions, call Allyson Heidinga (519-290-0765) or email to [jaheidinga@rogers.com](mailto:jaheidinga@rogers.com). Happy Shopping!



## **"WINTERFEST" GOODS, SERVICES AND TALENTS AUCTION**

Mark Your Calendars now for this annual event!!! Join us on **Friday, November 18, 2011, DV** for our Annual GST Auction. This promises to be an exciting evening of fun and fellowship with so many items that there will be something there for everyone. We will have Silent & Live Auctions to enjoy. The Silent Auction begins at 6 p.m. with the Live Auction beginning at 7 p.m. in the JKCS Auditorium. As we prepare for this fund raising event, we ask for your help to make this event a success. Please think about the goods or service that you would like to donate and try to approach a business contact to donate something as well. Our committee is also looking for volunteers to do some canvassing to our local businesses. Many hands make light work and if you are willing to help out in this area please contact one of us, we would greatly appreciate it.

Donation Sheets can be found on our website and also at the school office. Please drop off all donation forms at the school office a.s.a.p. We ask that all donations to the GST Auction be "new" items. Any used items or houseplants are welcome donations at our Annual Spring Bazaar. Also, just a reminder, that this Auction is an Adult Only event. Thank you for your commitment to the GST Auction. Any questions?

Call Sharon Kiers 519-539-9212; Jenessa VanRooyen 519-539-6916; Rachel Martin 519-425-7897

**Music Notes:**

**Grade 6:** Music vocabulary test RETAKE on Tuesday. Vocabulary sheets are going home today. study them! Work on JINGLE BELLS as well as pp10-13 in method books. New theory assignment is Tp6 on accidentals and Hp 4-5 on the Middle Ages. Both are due this Thursday. We will not have much class time to work on the History pages, but we will work together on accidentals.

**Grade 7:** Practice JOYEUX NOEL as well as pp8-9 in your method books. Make sure theory pages 5 and 6 are completed and corrected.

**Grade 8:** Practice pp12-15 in your method books. History packet and assignment going home this week. Due next Tuesday.

**Junior Kindergarten:** We had a wonderful start to our new month in Junior Kindergarten! Happy birthday to Patrick who celebrated his birthday on Saturday; we look forward to celebrating with Katelyn for this coming Sunday! We wish you God's blessings in this year and always! I am in need of more Kleenex boxes for our class so if each child could bring in a box to share with the class, that would be much appreciated. Have a great week!

- Tuesday - Show & Share: something that floats, Library Day
- Friday - Remembrance Day Assembly at 8:30, Buddy reading time

**Senior Kindergarten:** Welcome to a new week! We hope to enjoy the beautiful fall weather by doing some extra outdoor activities this week. Please bring in a couple of flat leaves for science on Tuesday. On Tuesday, we plan to make a Scarecrow outside. Please bring in some articles of clothing that we could stuff with leaves. Also, if you have some small rakes please bring them in as well. This week the whole school will try to have lunches that are litterless. In Bible we will learn about Joseph. We will continue learning about bears and animals getting ready for winter. If you took your bear home for the weekend please bring it back to school on Tuesday. Our basket for the auction is books and kids crafts. Please label your donations by writing GST auction. The November reading tracker will come home on Tuesday. We will also be remembering those who fought and who still fight for our freedom this week. We will have a Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday. Please bring in a donation. Poppies will be given to the children on Friday. Have a great week!

- Tuesday - Litterless Lunch, scarecrow making
- Thursday - book bags and library
- Friday - Remembrance Day Assembly, show and tell something about war

**Grade 1:** The newsletter is being emailed today!

**Grade 2:** We are thankful that we live in a peaceful country where we can openly worship and praise God. We are thankful for the soldiers who continue to promote justice and freedom here and abroad. You are welcome to join us on Friday morning at 8:30 for a Remembrance Day assembly. God's blessings to Matthew D., Matthew S. and Brayden who all celebrate birthdays this week. Letters were sent home last week regarding the Woodstock parade and art contest. Please return response forms to both of these letters by this Wednesday. Thanks.

**2A:** We are busy collecting items for our "Holiday Baking Basket." Thank you to those who have already sent in their recipes and the items that have been brought to school! Show & Share this week: Bring in a picture of your family. What is something special that you do with your family?

**2B:** We are collecting items for our "Family Fun Night" auction basket; thank you very much for the donations that have already been brought to school! Show & Share this week: Tell us about your favourite insect. Can you find a picture of it?

- Tuesday - Phys. Ed.
- Wednesday - Forms Due  
- Library
- Thursday - Phys. Ed.
- Friday - Spelling test  
- Remembrance Day Assembly

**Grade 3:** Welcome to a new week. Grade 3 has raised enough loose change to supply 65 saplings for Bangladesh and Cambodia. Praise God! We are busy writing our own Nate the Great book this week. This year grade 3 is putting together a Kitchen Basket for the upcoming GST auction on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is encouraged to bring in a kitchen related item to fill a basket. It does not have to be expensive. You can get many great things at a dollar store. Please bring in before next Wednesday.

- Tuesday - Library  
- Phys. Ed.

- Thursday - Math Test: Unit 1
- French vocabulary quiz
- Friday - Remembrance Day Assembly
- Mem. Work: Gen. 8:22
- Spelling Test: Week 9
- Phys. Ed.

**Grade 4:** I hope you all had a wonderful weekend. We started two new units today. In math, we will be working on division. Thank you for working on those math facts with your child. Keep it up. We will begin literature circles focussing on The Magic School Bus books. We are excited to begin something slightly different. It will be great to learn how to work well with our fellow classmates, while at the same time learning many amazing things about God's beautiful world.

- Friday - We will be going to the Cenotaph to remember our fallen soldiers. Please dress warmly for this day.
- Spelling Test on Lesson 9

**Grade 4/5:** Welcome to a new week of living for Jesus grade 4/5! On Friday, we will all be travelling to downtown Woodstock to be participating in the Remembrance Day service at the Cenotaph. I pray that we will never forget the ugliness of war and remember how many men and women died to give us freedom. Parents, check the memory work sheet about our gift basket for the Winterfest Auction.

- Monday - Julia B.
- Phys. Ed.
- Tuesday - Naomi
- Music: bring recorders
- Grade 5 math test
- Wednesday - Katie
- Library: remember your books
- Bible test: Daniel
- Thursday - Josiah
- French test: La Pizza
- Music: bring recorders
- Phys. Ed.: bring your clothes
- Friday - Charis
- Participating at the Cenotaph
- Remembrance Day Assembly
- Spelling test: lesson 9
- Memory work: Esther 4:14
- Buddy Activities
- Monday - Emma
- Phys. Ed.: bring your clothes

**Grade 5/6:** Grade 6 will be working hard on our Remembrance Day projects this week. Today the grade

6's will be going to the legion. Grade 5/6 has been asked to put together a candy/chocolate basket for the upcoming JKCS auction. Please ensure that you are prepared for your various parts of the assembly and bring in a donation for the poppy fund on Friday. Students will receive their test envelopes tomorrow. A sheet will be emailed as to what tests are in the envelope. Please sign the envelope, and return it with the contents as the contents will be used for student portfolios!

- Wednesday - French unit test. Be sure to study well for this!
- Thursday - Math Quiz: work this week
- Friday - Spelling Test and work: Unit 10
- Memory Work: John 10: 14 & 15 (Gr. 5/6)

**Grade 7:** Our coat collection for "Coats for Kids" is going well. If you have any gently used coats that are sitting in your closets please send them along with your child this week. We are also being asked to make up a basket for the school auction next Friday. The grade 7 class is making a "travel basket" - we hope to fill it up with items that a family may use on a car trip. (car games, word find book, cd's - use your imagination) If everyone would bring one item our basket will be full. Thank you in advance. Boomerang Lunch Week - please bring all your lunch items in reusable containers that you can bring back home.

- Monday - Some of the students will be going to VanRooyen's to hear about recycling and to do some sorting of the "cash for trash" for John Knox.
- Math Test: Unit 2
- Geography: city reports are due
- Tuesday - History project due: we'll be sharing our creative component
- Ensure that your final version of your dialogue is completed.
- Wednesday - Gym
- Final comic strips are due for French.
- Geography quiz: North America
- Thursday - Powerpoint presentations on invertebrates for science class
- Friday - Memory Work: Psalm 139: 1- 10
- Spelling: Lesson 10

**Senior Girls Volleyball:** Our regular season against the local catholic schools is finished and now we move on the the play-offs. In addition to our second recess practices we will have after school practice son Thursdays; please make sure you all attend as it will

prepare us more fully for the play-offs and Christian school tournament. Upcoming dates: Thursday, Nov. 10 - after school practice Tuesday, Nov 15 - game Thursday, Nov 17 - after school practice.

**Grade 8:** This week we honour those who sacrificed their lives and well-being for their countries, for peace, and for freedom. Our class will be filling a “Bathroom Basket” for the GST auction – please bring a small item to help fill it. Monday and Wednesday are presentation days for our final projects for this unit in French. Remember to take litterless lunches this week.

- Monday - Phys Ed, Miracles presentation
- Tuesday - Music, Library, Concert Band  
- Please ensure that you are prepared for computer class by bringing in your pictures from you walk.
- Wednesday - Math test: Ch.2, Phys Ed  
- Gym day, remember your gym strip
- Thursday - Music
- Friday - Remembrance Chapel & visit to the Cenotaph  
- Spelling test 10  
- Memory Work: 4 verses of For the Fallen
- Nov. 30 - Independent Reading/biography poster due

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Nov.11 Remembrance Chapel  
LDCSS P.D. Day
- Nov.15 Board Meeting
- Nov.17 Coffee Morning 8:30 a.m.  
Pizza Day  
Staff Meeting  
GST Auction set-up
- Nov.18 P.A. Day\*  
GST Auction
- Nov. 24 Sub Day
- Nov. 25 Volleyball Tournament  
Report Cards
- Nov. 30 Parent Teacher Interviews 7-9
- Dec. 1 Parent Teacher Interview 9-3, 7-9  
LDCSS Membership Meeting
- Dec. 2 P.D. Day\*

**SONG OF THE MONTH: God of the Poor**

1. Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,  
Lord, in Your suff’ring world, this is our prayer.  
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,  
sunrise to sunset Your kingdom increase.
  2. Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,  
work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills.  
Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,  
voices to plead the cause of those who can’t speak.
- Chorus: God of the poor, friend of the weak,  
give us compassion we pray,  
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.  
Come change our love from a spark to a flame.
3. Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,  
cities for sanctu’ry, freedoms to share.  
Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green,  
Christ for the bitterness, His cross for the pain.
  4. Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams.  
Plundered and poisoned our future, our dreams.  
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed.  
Make us content with the things we need.
  5. Lighten our darkness breathe on this flame  
until Your justice burns brightly again;  
until the nations learn of your ways  
seek your salvation and bring You their praise.

Title: God of the Poor	Words & Music by: Graham Kendrick
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# Special Christmas VOUCHER PROGRAM ORDER FORM

These gift cards are available by order only. Please have your order in by November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011.  
We expect that they will be in by December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheques payable to JKCS. A charge of \$5.00 will be levied for all NSF cheques

Store	Percent earned	Quantity	x	Value	=	Dollar Amount	Totals
American Eagle Outfitters	5.0%		x	\$25	=		
Bath & Body Works	7.0%		x	\$25	=		
Best Buy	2.0%		x	\$25	=		
Body Shop	7.0%		x	\$25	=		
Cineplex / Galaxy / Famous / Silver City - Admit One	9.0%		x	\$10.25	=		
Esso, On the Run	2.5%		x	\$25	=		
Future Shop	2.0%		x	\$25	=		
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The Gap / Gap Kids / Baby Gap / Old Navy / Banana Republic <i>combination card</i>	7.0%		x	\$25	=		
HMV Canada	2.0%		x	\$25	=		
Keg Restaurant	8.0%		x	\$25	=		
Kernels Popcorn <i>- get a 2 for 1 coupon with each gift card</i>	7.0%		x	\$10	=		
LaSenza / LaSenza Girl / Silk & Satin	7.0%		x	\$25	=		
Laura Secord	10.0%		x	\$25	=		
Moores	5.0%		x	\$25	=		
Petro-Canada	3.0%		x	\$25	=		
Pier 1 Imports	5.0%		x	\$25	=		
Pizza Pizza	10.0%		x	\$5	=		
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Red Lobster / Olive Garden	7.0%		x	\$25	=		
Roots / Roots Kids / Baby Root/ Roots Home	15.0%		x	\$25	=		
Rogers Video/Shopping Channel/Toronto BlueJays	7.0%		x	\$10	=		
Rona / Botanix	3.0%		x	\$25	=		
The Shoe Company / Town Shoes	7.0%		x	\$25	=		
Sir Corp: Jack Astor's / Alice Fazooli's / Canyon Creek	8.0%		x	\$25	=		
Sport Check / Coast Mountain Sports	4.0%		x	\$25	=		
Starbucks	5.0%		x	\$25	=		
Toys R Us / Babies R Us	2.0%		x	\$25	=		
<b>Total Special Order Amount</b>							<b>\$</b>

John Knox Christian School presents:

# WINTER FEST 2011

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Silent Auction: 6 -7:30 p.m.

Live Auction: 7 p.m.



John Knox Christian School Auditorium, 800 Juliana Drive, Woodstock

Here is a listing of what has been donated so far! To view the Auction listings as they come in log onto our web site: [www.jkcs.on.ca](http://www.jkcs.on.ca)

- Toronto Blue Jays Baseball Bat - signed by Adam Lind
- Nike Carry Gear Backpack
- Bullfrog Webkinz
- \$15 Gift Card from Giant Tiger
- Schwarzkopf "Repair Rescue" Hair Care Gift Trio
- 4 Big Splash Passes at Bingemans Funworx Indoor Playland
- Certificate for Session Fee & 1 5x7 Portrait at Nelson Photography
- \$100 towards Goods/Services at Al's Tire Service
- 1 Bag of Mycogen Seed Corn
- \$250 Certificate for Product/Services at Tilstra Plumbing
- Gift Certificate for a Photo Session plus.. at Shot of Life Photo.
- Suncrest Playset by Big Backyard. [www.playsetsource.com](http://www.playsetsource.com)
- \$75 Gift Certificate for moving/storage with Bigham the Mover
- 1 Box of Stroopwafels
- 24 Frozen Apple Pies
- Platters of Baked Goods
- 10 All-Beef Summer Sausages
- 32" or 34" Exterior Door
- 20 Boxes of Tarts
- 2 Night Romance Package at Quality Hotel & Suites
- White Childs Hand Knit Slippers
- White Adult Hand Knit Slippers
- Rustic Tea Light Holders
- Dinner for 2 - Classic Quarter Chicken Dinner at Swiss Chalet
- \$20 Certificate for Dining at Montana's or Kelseys
- Active Adult Formula Dog Food 15 kg.
- Two - 3 Topping Medium Pizzas - Pizza Hut
- Loyall Puppy Formula Food - 8 kg.
- Curious George Recordable Storybook
- Purina Wild Bird Seed - 16 kg.
- Gift Certificate for Ingersoll Pizza & Pasta
- \$40 Gift Certificate for Botanix Oxford Insta-Shade
- \$25 Gift Certificate for Foodland
- 1 hr. Reflexology Session at Jenny's Wellness
- Home/Office Surge Protected Power Bar
- 1 hr. Spa Session at Jenny's Wellness
- Gift Certificate for a Medium 3 Item Pizza
- Silk Flower Arrangement
- \$25 Gift Certificate for Kids Style, Norwich
- Set of 12 Wine Glasses
- Lazy Susan with 5 ceramic serving pieces
- Executive Digital Money Jar
- ERTL International 1586 Tractor with Cab (Die-Cast 1/16 Scale)
- 1992 Pioneer Toy Tractor & Trailer
- Mens Large White Golf Shirt
- 1/4 Round of Mild Gouda Cheese
- Spa Finder Pedicure Slippers
- 1/4 Round of Spiced Gouda Cheese
- 10 x \$5 Coupons for Crabby Joes
- Thong Sandals (size 9 - 10)
- Queen (220 Thread Count) Taupe Sheet Set
- Queen Mattress Pad
- Bunny/Vegetable Stepping Stone
- Metal Die-Cast (1:18) 1971 Ford Mustang Mach 1 Ram Air 351
- 2 Tickets to London Knights vs Kitchener Rangers at the John Labatt Centre on Feb.19 @ 2 p.m.
- Large Roasting Chicken
- Maya "Dutch" Gift Basket
- 1 Pig - approx. 165 lbs, cut and wrapped
- Fabric Wallet, CD & \$20 Gift Certificate for the Christian Armoury
- Girls Bible Cover & \$20 Gift Certificate for the Christian Armoury
- One Year Family Membership to London Reg. Children's Museum
- Assortment of Crocheted Doilies
- Crocheted Angel Christmas Tree Ornaments
- Large White Crocheted Table Cloth
- Crocheted Dish Cloths
- 2 pairs of Crocheted Slippers
- 3 Cross Stitch Kits
- Marble Game (Game Board, Cards, Marbles & instructions)
- 2 x \$10 Gift Certificates at Heritage Pancake House
- Motorola Bluetooth
- Family Pack - 2 Individual Pizzas and 3 Kids Meals at Boston Pizza
- Textured Plush Throw (60" x 70") - Beige

For more information or to make a donation please call  
the school  
@ 519-539-1492.

Mark your calendars and join in  
the fun. Bring a friend and see  
you there!



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Item or Service Donated: \_\_\_\_\_

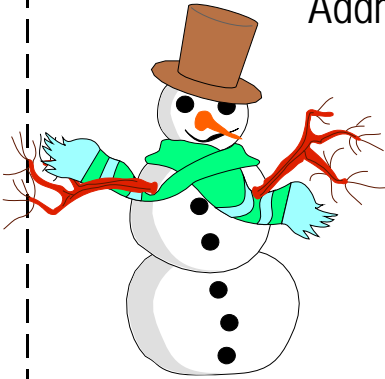
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Please return this form to the school  
or fax us @ 519-539-1893 a.s.a.p.  
Thank you!

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