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LIVING

As Jesus disciple, I am his apprentice in kingdom living. I am learning from him how to lead my life in the Kingdom of the Heavens as he would lead my life if he were I.

Dallas Willard

LEARNING

#TakeMeBackTuesday: [Grade 4 - Science: Waste in Our World](#)

Essential Learning Outcomes

1. God created our world full of natural systems that create and that deal with natural waste. In discovering our roles as Earthkeepers,, students will learn that all plants, animals and other living organisms are made up of materials that are recycled through the environment again and again. Commissioned by God to be stewards of all of creation, students will study human consumption and wastes and identify wastes produced within their community and learn the methods used for disposal. They will learn that some waste materials are biodegradable, that some are reusable, and others are toxic. To be a steward of creation, students will become aware of why waste is an issue.
2. Students will understand that a primary cause of waste management issues is our misguided belief that humans “own “creation. We have seen our own needs as being more important than those of creation and other people. Students will learn that personal action in reducing, reusing and recycling materials can help decrease the waste we accumulate. Our desire for the “good” life and the waste that it produces are having negative effects on other people and on creation.

Covid-conscious FLEx idea(s)

Task #1: In groups, students create a “Packaging Audit” that will assess the type

of packaging found in a typical family home. Each group member will then be responsible for having 3 households complete the audit and for writing up an Audit report for each of the households. This audit will include making recommendations for each household to make improvements. It must also include thoughts and ideas related to our unit title “Waste and God’s World” and the unit’s Throughlines Earth-Keeper and Idolatry-Discerner. Each household will complete a written assessment of the audit process.

Task #2: As Earth-Keepers students will write letters to two companies whose packaging they assessed.

Letter 1 - congratulations and encouragement to keep improving!

Letter 2 – criticism and encouragement to improve.

Task #3 – Student Reflections

1. Complete this sentence: Because of my FLEx experience, I am....
2. How can you continue your involvement with the issue of waste?
3. Has the experience affected your understanding of how God calls you to live? How?
4. We focused on being Earth-keepers and Idolatry-discerners in the unit. Which other TL would be a good fit? Explain.

Here is a link to [the entire library of units](#) if you want to explore on your own and/or nominate a unit to be highlighted that’s been a blessing to you by sending us an email with the name of the unit and grade.

LEADING

Convention Conversations

A reminder to principals and executive directors that we will be meeting in small groups this week to talk about Teachers’ Convention 2021. Contact Gayle for more information or to get your zoom information.

PCCE Podcast Conversations

We will be hosting another conversation through Zoom next Wednesday ([January 27 at 3:30pm](#)) to discuss The Curious Christian Teacher Podcast’s episode, “Interview with David Gleeson, Community, Accountability and Induction.” David Gleeson is an “inspirationally genuine principal” and in this podcast he discusses the importance of honouring and caring for the school community, inducting new teachers into a Christian school community and being vulnerable and accountable in his leadership role. All PCCE members are invited to join us; however, we think this conversation is especially relevant for Principals, VP’s and other leaders/aspiring leaders in your community. Listen to the podcast this week and come join our conversation next Wednesday!

PCCE AGM

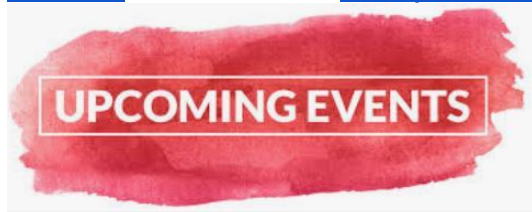
Mark April 17 on your calendar for our virtual Annual General Meeting. In addition to the business aspect of the meeting (reports, budget, new board member etc), we will be including some workshops of interest to board members, leaders and teachers.

CSC 2022

PCCE will be hosting the Christian Schools Canada conference in the fall of 2022 in Winnipeg. If you (school leader) would like to be part of a planning team, please contact Gayle.

CSC 2020 Videos

If you would like to access the videos of the CSC conference, please [complete this form](#) and return it to [Carolynne Tolsma](#).



January 27	Podcast Conversation
February 2 & 4	TfT 101 - Session 3 - Throughlines
February 11-12	CSI Bible Symposium
February 19	Christian Deeper Learning Gathering
March 2 & 4	TfT 101 - Session 4 - FLEx
April 17	The PCCE AGM (virtual)
October 21-22	Teachers' Convention



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