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*"For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations." Psalm 100:5*



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From The Principal's Desk:

Greetings TBCS,



There is a buzz of activities happening behind the scenes here at TBCS.

1. JK to Grade 8 Teachers have finished their report cards which go home today. You are encouraged to arrange a meeting with anyone of them if you have questions or concerns regarding these reports.
2. Highschool teachers and students are busy packing and making final preparations for their 2 week Nicaragua trip which begins tonight. Our prayers are with them. May this experience be a blessing to them and those they work with.
3. Finance committee has spent many hours preparing the 2013-2014 Budget which goes to the Board on Tuesday for final approval.
4. Board will be finishing off the Spring Membership Package this Tuesday and it will be distributed one week from today.
5. Bazaar/Skate-a-Thon committee has been working on the Skate-a-Thon for March 20. Their thoughts are also turning to next year's Bazaar. If you are willing to add you talents to this group, they are ready to accept your input.
6. Booster Club has a catering event tonight at the school. We are thankful for the work this club does as they pay for special add-ons to our school that are not found within our budget. They are always looking for volunteers, so if you have time please let them know.
7. Twice as Nice continues to work hard to raise funds for our school, but they can't do it without many volunteers. Please consider lending a hand for it is always welcome.
8. ACE has been very busy drumming up donors in order that tuition may be kept low. Keep this group in your prayer.
9. Maintenance and Transportation are always looking for ways to keep us safe and healthy. We could not have the beautiful school we have without them.
10. Promotion committee is investigating updates to the website and new promotional material.
11. Program committee has been working on class assignments and schedules for next year.

As I stated above, there is a buzz of activities going on, and I thank God for everyone that gives so much to our school. Mark your calendar, the **Spring Society Meeting will be on March 25.**

Shalom,
Andy Alblas

Looking Ahead:

Monday	March 4	-
Tuesday	March 5	- Board Meeting 8:00 pm - Grade 3-4 Curling 1:00- 3:00 pm
Wednesday	March 6	- Play Group 9:30- 11:30 am - Staff Meeting 3:30- 5:00 pm - Wrestling practice 3:30- 4:15 pm
Thursday	March 7	- TAN Meeting 1:00 pm
Friday	March 8	- Last day before the March Break

From our School Community:

SKATE-A-THON 2013! Don't miss out on the FUN! Fill up that sponsor sheet and raise some money for everyone's favourite school. Also, please look for a yellow sheet, coming home with the oldest child today, with details of the Soup Supper and your contribution to it.

SKATE-A-THON SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 20

2:00 pm: Grades JK-4 leave on buses for the rink

2:30 pm: any children Grade 4 and younger plus parents & grandparents can skate

3:00 pm: Grades 5-10 leave on buses for the rink

3:15 pm: older kids can begin skating

5:00 pm: Skate-a-thon ends

4:00-6:30 pm: Kitchen at the school is open for supper

ATTENTION ALL GRANDPARENTS!! The Skate-a-thon FUNdraiser has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 20 at the NorWest Recreational Center and we would love for you to round up some sponsors, strap on a pair of skates and join us! The Grandparent who raises the most sponsorship money gets his/her name engraved on the **GRANDPARENT** skate-a-thon trophy. Sponsor sheets are attached to today's email or stop by the school office for a copy.

FROM THE GRADES 9/10 CLASS:

Nicaragua, here we come! The day we have been waiting for is finally here! Tonight at 8:00 pm we leave for Minneapolis where we will be catching a flight at 5:15 am on Saturday for Managua, Nicaragua (with a stopover in Texas for breakfast!).

Please pray for safety in our travels, and for Ken Knight who will be driving us to Minneapolis tonight. We hope to keep in touch with parents via email, so if you wonder how we are doing, please ask one of them. As well, our itinerary is posted on the bulletin board in the junior high hall, so take a look!

We will tell you all about it after March Break.

Until then, blessings and Adios from the high school students and chaperones, Mrs. Drost and Mr. Himanen

REPORT CARDS were sent home today, March 1, for the elementary grades.

HOT LUNCH THANK YOU: Again, we would like to thank Erin Voortman and her Hot Lunch crew for providing us with another hot lunch today. The pizza was great and a nice change from our bagged lunch.

IMMUNIZATION FORMS were sent home last week to the SK students who will be having their booster needle on March 18. Some students in other grades were also given forms that need to be filled out and returned to the school by **March 7**. The Health Unit requires the immunization information on every student.

TBCS COOKBOOKS: The TBCS Booster Club still has cookbooks for sale. The cookbook is full of delicious, homemade recipes from past and present school members and friends. If you would like a copy, you can purchase one from the office for **\$12.00** at any time.

50TH ANNIVERSARY BOOKLETS are still available for purchase from the office for **\$12.00** each.

MICROWAVES: We are still looking for one or two microwaves. If anyone has an old one, preferably not too big, that they are willing to donate to the school for the classroom please let the office know. Thank you.

From the Classroom:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

The March calendar/newsletter went home on Wednesday. I had scratched off the skating for today (which in hindsight was an error on my part seeing that the weather cooled off again). Please add skating back on for Wednesday and Friday 12:00 - 12:45pm (weather permitting) so we can make use of this beautiful facility.

All of the popcorn words (sight words) that have been taught thus far were sent home in a ziplock bag that was attached to the SK newsletter. Feel free to use them for extra practice at home.

Grade 1 & 2 – Miss de Haan

*Work folders were sent home yesterday with new Spelling words. The test will be Thurs., Mar. 7.

*Please remember to return **three** library books on Wednesday. Thank you!

**Report cards are coming home today. The report card is yours to keep but please return the envelope so we can reuse it next term. Thank you.

*New Reading diaries went home today. Please remember to return it by next Thursday, February 28. Thanks!

Grade 3 & 4 – Mrs. Boer

- ☺ Today we enjoyed another Hot Pizza Lunch. Thank you so much, "hot" lunch ladies!
- ☺ This week we were happy to welcome Leah Brown to our grade 3 class. We hope you soon feel at home with us and our routines, Leah!
- ☺ Report cards come home with your children today. Please take the time to encourage and praise your child appropriately. Congratulations on a successful second term, grades 3 and 4! The report cards are yours to keep, but please return the envelopes to school. Thanks!
- ☺ In Bible this week we saw how God spared David from the spear of King Saul, how Michel saved David from being captured by Saul's soldiers, and how Jonathon sent David the message to flee from Saul.

Grade 3 finished and reviewed their 3-digit addition and subtraction chapter in math. They wrote their chapter test today. Look for the results early next week. Grade 4 wrote their chapter test on multiplication and division facts on Tuesday. Test are coming home today. Well done, grade 4!

In Literature we continued Owls in the Family by Farley Mowat. We read and worked with another chapter. Mutt, Billy's dog tolerated Weeps and let him snuggle with him, but Wol was another story. Wol constantly teased Mutt by eating his food, hiding his bones and squeezing his tail. How annoying for Mutt!

We were introduced to the map of Ontario, our province, in Social Studies. We learned to recognize major cities, lakes, and bays. Thank you to those students who brought maps to school this week.

Monday: Return your homework folder and Reading Record sheet
Gr.4 Grammar page 74

Tuesday: ☆ 1:00-3:00 Curling at the Kakabeka Curling Club.

Wednesday: Library - Remember your books!!
Character Map book report

Thursday: Math/Mad Minute worksheet

Friday: Word Wall Review #5 test

Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

We had a relaxing and wonderful time during our "Lock In" this week getting comfortable and curling up with a good book. It was fun to enjoy some yummy snacks and just spend some concentrated time reading. During our time reading we were able to collectively read 1845 pages! Wow!

We didn't skate this week due to the warm weather but got back to learning the basics of basketball. This week the students learned how to guard and how to do a lay up.

The grade sixes are zipping along nicely in math and are almost done another chapter. This week they learned how to find the area of parallelograms and triangles. They also had mini lessons on adding integers, square roots, and how to reduce improper fractions. There will be a chapter test next week on 2-D geometry.

In science we studied the "Muscular System" and learned that muscles can only perform the act of pulling so they act in pairs; one pulling

(contracting) while the opposite one relaxes. We learned about the 3 types of muscle fibres. There will be a quiz on the skeletal and muscular systems next week.

In social studies we studied how the earth revolves and rotates to give us day and night and the various seasons. We learned about solstices and equinoxes and that the earth is tipped 23.5 degrees toward Polaris.

Next Week:

Memory Work: Psalm 139: 13-16a

Monday: Journal entry due

All book reports for February should be handed in

Wednesday: Science Quiz on the skeletal and muscular systems

Thursday: Chapter 8 math test - grade sixes

Grade 5 Math: Students wrote a test on 2D geometry this week.

Grade 7 & 8 – Mr. Himanen, Mr. Alblas, Miss Baxter

Language Arts: Due to tying up some loose ends from our previous units we could not begin "Bronze Bow" this week. We will, however begin reading next week.

Book reports were all handed in and presented two weeks ago and I was very impressed with the final written pieces and oral presentations. I conferenced with each student to make sure they understood what their next steps were for this upcoming book. They have a book report due this week and the next one will be due March 14th. Please encourage your child/children to keep reading at home.

Computers: We are working on compiling a magazine of our final Hatchet articles.

Art: We will be exploring different watercolor techniques in the upcoming weeks.

Geography: The class will be investigating the climate in the desert and looking at how the climate may be different than what they expect. We will also explain why these differences exist.

History: Next week the class will be working on One Point Perspective drawings as they look at the new styles of Renaissance art. They will also investigate new styles of music that were introduced as well as some new instruments that were invented.

Science: The class will be working in groups creating a poster that describes and explains a specific concept of our atmosphere. We will be looking at the different ways that we are poor stewards of our atmosphere, which then have a negative impact on the world and all of us.

Bible: Next week the class will be looking at what tasks God has designed for us as we live on this earth. We will look at how we can fulfill these purposes that God has set out for each of us. We are His people, each of us gifted to perform our given tasks. We need to be ready and willing to complete them.

Health: Next week the class will be learning about the respiratory system.

Math: There will be a statistics and Probability test for both Grade 7 and 8 on Thursday March 7

Grade 9 & 10 – Mrs. Drost, Mrs. Baxter, Mr. Alblas, Mr. Himanen, Mrs. Hawkins

Careers: Students finished working on their portfolios this week. Have a wonderful time in Nicaragua.

Music – Mrs. Hawkins

Grade 1/2 Music: Students learned about woodwind instruments with the Grade 7 woodwind players this week.

Grade 5/6 Music: Students continued working on "The Piano Guys" assignment. In computers students formatted a journal entry using Google Docs.

Grade 3/4 Music: Students learned about eighth and sixteenth rhythms. Please bring a hat for Tuesday's class.

Grade 7 Band: Please practice the new band pieces for next week.

