



FOREVER FAITHFUL

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

From The Principal's Desk:

Greetings TBCS,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Spring Membership Meeting on Monday night. During that meeting I mentioned that I would post the links to the different you tube videos I used for my presentation. They are found below:

1. Project Based learning – explained
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMCZvGesRz8>
2. Project Based Learning – sample
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqY5wrSiWe0>
3. Technology – reimagining
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z0uAuonMXrg&feature=player_embedded)
4. Arrowsmith – Barbara Arrowsmith Young speaks in Toronto
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WUWIQtcQZtE>

As always, if ever there are comments, questions, or possible concerns you wish to share, I am ready to listen. It is my prayer that this coming weekend may be a joyful celebration for you and your family, as you enter into worship during this Easter long weekend. There is no greater gift than what we were given through the blood of our Saviour on the cross.



Shalom
Andy Alblas

Looking Ahead:

Monday	April 1	- Easter Monday	No school
Tuesday	April 2	- TRIP - Maintenance Meeting	9:00 am 7:30 pm
Wednesday	April 3	- Play Group	9:30-11:30 am
Thursday	April 4	- TAN meeting	1:00 pm at the store
Friday	April 5	- Hot Lunch (Sloppy Joes) - TRIP Pickup	3:00 pm



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From our School Community:

EASTER WEEKEND: We wish you a blessed long weekend as we commemorate the death and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

SKATE-A-THON: The total of money raised so far is **\$4,511.00!** The committee will be awarding prizes based on sponsor sheets that are turned in on or before **April 15. Please note on the sponsor sheets if the sponsor has paid; especially with cash amounts. Thank you.**

MARCH NEWSLETTER was sent home with each family today.

ATTACHED TO TODAY'S JOURNAL:

April Calendar

Charitable Tax Donation Information

SKATE-A-THON INCENTIVES:

1. The Skate-A-Thon committee will be throwing a pizza party for the class who earns the most sponsors.
2. The committee will give a plaque to the boy and girl who earn the most money to be hung in the school.
3. The top earner of funds in each class will be treated to lunch by the principal.
4. The first class to hand in all of their sponsor sheets and the money that they are responsible for collecting (not those paying directly to the school) will receive a free hot chocolate and persian.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

Fantastic news! On Wednesday, April 3 our class will be treated to a free hot lunch since we won the Penny War a few weeks back. I hope you enjoy this break from the lunch making routine as much as the Kinder Kids enjoy eating a special hot lunch.

April is just around the corner so a new calendar/newsletter has gone home with your child on Wednesday.

May you have a wonderful Easter holiday celebrating our Saviour's triumph over sin and the grave.

Grade 1 & 2 – Miss de Haan

*Work folders were sent home today. A Spelling review sheet was sent home for each grade. Grade 2's will have a written test next Thursday and Grade 1's will be tested next week for word recognition of the word wall words.

*Thank you for your assistance in helping your child with the assembly. Everyone did a fantastic job! Thanks to those who attended!

***Since we ended our assembly with the message that we are to tell others about Jesus, your child is coming home with Jelly Bean bags sharing the prayer/poem we recited. Please help your child find someone to share this message with by giving out the bag of jelly beans.

*Last week we received a Journal from a student in BC. The purpose of this is to see what cities and places it can reach across Canada. We are to write an entry and mail it on to another Christian School somewhere in Canada. If anyone has any family or friends at a school, would you be willing to pass the contact information on with your child? If we can help out this student, we would like to keep the project going. Thanks for any assistance you may provide!

*Please remember to return **three** library books on Wednesday, April 3. Thank you!

*Those who did not have their owl sheet sent home today received a new Reading diary. Please remember to return it by Thursday, April 4.

Grade 3 & 4 – Mrs. Boer

☺ This morning we enjoyed the Grade 1 and 2 Easter Assembly. Thank you for leading us in praise and worship to celebrate the death and resurrection of our Saviour, Jesus. You did a wonderful job! Awesome!

☺ On Tuesday we participated in another session of curling at the Kakabeka Curling Club. We've really improved our skills and enjoyed playing a game against each other. Thank you so much to our coaches, Mr. Don Belluz, Mr. Dan Breukelman, Mr. Bert Buitenhuis and Mrs. Linda Vellinga who helped us become great curlers.

☺ In Bible this week we focused on the Passion Week stories found in Matthew. We saw how God's great gift of his Son coming to earth to die and rise again gives us new life, a life free of sin, to live in his service.

Both grades completed and reviewed 2-D geometry in math this week. They wrote their

chapter 7 test yesterday. Look for the test results today. Well done, grades 3 and 4!

In Literature we continued reading *Owls in the Family* by Farley Mowat. Once school started again, the owls followed Billy to school and he had to bring them home. One day Wol flew right into the classroom window, skidded on the teacher's desk, and landed in her lap. Of course, Billy was sent to the principal!

✠ ☀ Have a blessed Easter weekend with your families!!

Monday: Easter Monday

Tuesday: Return your homework folder
March Reading Record is due

Wednesday: Library - Remember your books!!

Thursday: Math/Mad Minute worksheets

Friday: Word Wall Words #18 test
Sloppy Joe Hot Lunch

Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

Today we really enjoyed watching the grade 1 / 2 class present their assembly! Thank you for helping us to focus on the message of Jesus our Saviour and His precious gift that He gave that each year we remember when we celebrate at Easter.

We had a terrific time, this week, going on our second outing for electives. We traveled to the Thunder Bay Gymnastics Association to participate in a gymnastics program. The grade 6 class specifically asked that I try to get Mike back as a coach, and he was only too happy to take on our class. He says he loves teaching the students from our school! Mike has been coaching gymnastics now for 40 years and shares his love of the sport through his coaching. As many of you may know, Mike coached me way back when I was in highschool at an after school program. It is amazing to think that through that experience I was introduced to a sport that I later coached and learned more of while completing my Kinesiology degree.

In Literature this week the students have chosen an "End of Book Project" to complete and had time to work on both it and their posters. Next week

we will do some more group and pairs wrap up activities and then will move onto a theme from the grade six *World Of Literature* series.

Next week I hope to begin our sessions with the grade six class on Sexuality. A letter was sent home with the grade six students last week regarding this program. If you did not receive it, please let me know and I will gladly send another copy home.

Wishing you and your family a wonderful Easter. May you marvel anew at the awesome sacrifice God provided through His Son, Jesus. Rejoice! He is risen!

Next Week:

Memory Work: Hebrews 10:26

Friday - Grammar Unit test (both grades)

Units 19-25

- possible Social Studies test

Grade 5 Math: Students started a unit on multiplication with decimals this week.

Grade 5/6 Computers: Students worked with Bitstrips this week.

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

History: Next week the the class will be learning about the lives of Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci, and the impact they had on the Renaissance.

Geography: Next week we will be investigating the different people that live in the desert regions of Africa, specifically the Tuareg people. We will look at how they have adapted to survive in a difficult environment.

Science: The class will be learning about the ultraviolet rays of the sun and the reasons why the color of the sky is blue.

Math: Grade 8 has a test on Integers on Tuesday

Memory Work:

Matthew 28: 19 & 20 Friday April 5

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

Careers: Students worked on their Impact Wheel posters this week.

Music – Mrs. Hawkins

Grade 1/2 Music: Students sang so-la melody lines and played musical games this week.

Grade 5/6 Music: Students learned new songs on their recorders.

Grade 3/4 Music: Students were introduced to recorders today. Please bring your recorders to school each Tuesday.

1. Welcome: by Ed Breukelman
2. Devotions:
 - a. Jennifer Drost opens the evening with song 479 I will Sing of My Redeemer.
 - b. Ed Breukelman reads from John 1: 1-18 followed by prayer.
3. Minutes of Fall Membership: **Motion** to approve by Ralph Bakker and John Grootenboer. **Carried.**
4. Board report: read by Chairman Ed Breukelman.
5. Principal's Report:
 - a. Jennifer Drost and Peter Himanen report on the grade 9/10 trip to Nicaragua. Thank you to everyone for their dedication and hard work in making this wonderful opportunity a reality.
 - b. Andy Alblas reports on project-based learning. The key components of PBL (Project Based Learning) are critical thinking, collaboration and cooperation.
 - c. Science Fair was not done this past year, but plans are to include project based learning to make explicit student thinking and learning as it relates to the science curriculum.
 - d. In the spring of 2014, the staff and students are hoping to present the production of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.
 - e. Mr. Alblas would like to form a technology task force.
 - f. The Arrowsmith program is briefly showcased through a video snippet.
 - g. All the videos that were showcased tonight will have links posted in the weekly journal so the membership has an opportunity to look further into some of the things that are going on at TBCS.
6. 2013-2014 School Budget:
 - a. Question from Kerri-Ann Pinta regarding the fact that there is no funding in the 2013/14 budget for playgroup supplies. Bills for the previous year were not submitted. Discussion was had on this matter by the Board. It will be monitored.
 - b. Ingrid Schelhaas inquires about the photocopier cost and why we need to purchase a new one. The old one is out-dated and needs to be replaced.
 - c. **Motion** by John Grootenboer and Mark Heerema that the proposed Operation Budget for the 2013/14 school year be accepted. **Carried.**
7. Town Hall Meeting Results: are reviewed by Andy Alblas.
8. Appointment of auditors: **Motion** by Ingrid Schelhaas and Jonathan Bakker to approve Ryan Jaspers and Erin Voortman. **Carried.**
9. General matters:
 - a. Dan Breukelman reports on Twice as Nice. Volunteers are always welcome. Please consider this opportunity prayerfully.
 - b. Shawnee Pacholczak refers to the Arrowsmith program as a possibility for TBCS. She asks that if anyone has a child with a learning disability they should look into this program. Ed Breukelman comments that it would take 10 families to run this at the school. The Board will continue to investigate this program.
10. Motion to adjourn: by Darryl Staal and Jonathan Bakker.
11. Closing prayer: by Fred Van Elburg