



### 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,

Wonderful Assembly Grade 3-4. We were blessed by the way you used your gifts and talents on Thursday Morning, so thank you.

Shalom,  
Andy Alblas



### Looking Ahead:

<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 6</b>	- TAN Sorting (Kakabeka/Murillo) - Finance Meeting - TRIP Orders Due	7:00-9:00 pm 8:00 pm 9:00 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 7</b>	- Maintenance Meeting - Golf Meeting - Grade 7 & 8 Parent Meeting	7:30 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 8</b>	- Play Group - JK/SK Egg Drop - Wrestling Practice	9:30-11:30 am 2:30 pm 3:30-4:15 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 9</b>	-	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 10</b>	- Hot Lunch - Grade 9 & 10 Assembly - TRIP Pick up	Pogo 9:00 am 3:00 pm



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## From our School Community:

**THANK YOU** to all the staff, students, parents, grandparents, relatives, and friends of TBCS who helped make this year's Grandparents/Special Friends Day and Christian Education Week a wonderful time. We are so blessed to be part of such a strong Christian school community and what a joy to be able to celebrate it with our loved ones both far and near.

**GRADE 7/8 PARENT MEETING:** There will be a meeting on Tuesday, May 7, at 8:00 p.m. to discuss the upcoming Grade 8 graduation dinner. All Grade 7 parents are expected to help with this dinner, so please make every effort to attend the meeting. *If one or two of the Gr. 7 parents is willing to be in charge of the dinner, please stop by the office for the graduation dinner file.* Please bring \$10.00/family for the graduation cake as well. Current information regarding the Grade 8 Toronto Trip will also be presented.

**CHRISTIAN HOME AND SCHOOL MAGAZINE:** Christian Schools International is pleased to introduce *Christian Home & School* magazine's new digital format! Paper copies of the magazine will no longer be distributed. To access the 2013 High School issue, please click the link provided, or copy and paste it into your browser.  
<http://www.mydigipub.com/publication/?i=157684>

**11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TBCS GOLF TOURNAMENT** will be held this year on Saturday, June 8, at Northern Lights Golf Complex. We had such a great time last year that we will once again be having an 18 hole, best ball tournament with delicious food and great prizes! This tournament is fun for both the novice and professional golfer! We are also looking for hole sponsors. Space is limited, so don't wait to register. For more information call Lorrie Dykstra at 939-1046.

**SKATE-A-THON:** The total of money raised so far is **\$23,610.00!** **WOW! \$495.00** is still outstanding from sponsors paying directly to the school. Reminder cards were given out last week. Thank you for your support.

**PRIMARY JOB POSTING:** Thunder Bay Christian School is seeking qualified applicants for an opening in the primary division commencing in August 2013. The successful applicant will be an energetic team player who exemplifies a passionate Christian Faith and loves children. Having experience and additional qualifications will be considered an asset. Please send a cover letter explaining your desire to work at TBCS including your professional goals, resume, statement of Christian faith, philosophy of education, and professional references to Andy Alblas, Principal at [aalblas@tbaychristianschool.ca](mailto:aalblas@tbaychristianschool.ca) by May 13, 2013.

**PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER POSITION:**

Thunder Bay Christian School is currently looking for a part-time (school days, school hours) personal support worker to provide care for a newly enrolled student with special needs for 2013/2014. The individual should be self-motivated, have some previous experience and ability to provide personal care and support, and be an active member of a Christian church. Interested candidates should submit a resume and statement of faith to Andy Alblas, Principal, Thunder Bay Christian School. Email: [aalblas@tbaychristianschool.ca](mailto:aalblas@tbaychristianschool.ca); School fax: 939-2843; Phone: 939-1209. Deadline for applications is May 6.

**HIGH SCHOOL MATH POSITNG:** Thunder Bay Christian has a Highschool Math teacher opening for next year. Interested candidates should submit a resume and statement of faith to Andy Alblas, Principal at [aalblas@tbaychristianschool.ca](mailto:aalblas@tbaychristianschool.ca) by May 13, 2013.

**TWICE AS NICE NEWS:** Our goal of a \$1,000/day average in gross sales has been reached for the month of April!!! A Big Congratulations to everyone involved! We do have a dilemma for Tuesday, May 7th that really needs to be addressed. We REALLY, REALLY need some delivery/pickup help. Two of the men that regularly help are out of town and the third volunteer has hurt his foot. PLEASE, please consider helping out. Call me (Catherine) at home (577-7741) or at the store (622-7575) if you are available

**SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITY AT TWICE AS NICE THRIFT STORE:**

Twice as Nice Thrift Store is looking to hire 2 Post-Secondary Students for the position of Assistant Manager. Ideally the successful applicants will have completed Grade 12 and will be continuing their education at a post-secondary institution. The assistant manager at Twice as Nice Thrift Store will be responsible for the day to day running of the store. This is a 10 week employment opportunity at 40 hours per week to be paid at \$11.00 hour. Interested applicants should email cover letter, resume and references to the Twice as Nice Thrift Store Manager, Catherine Knight at [sunflowerdigital@shaw.ca](mailto:sunflowerdigital@shaw.ca) by Wednesday, May 15, 2013. If you have any questions about the position please don't hesitate to email or call Catherine Knight at 622-7575 or 577-7741. *Funding for these positions has been provided by Canada Summer Jobs, a Government of Canada initiative that provides funding to help employers create summer job opportunities for students.*

**BOOSTER CLUB NEWS:** Thank you to everyone who helped out by way of serving or donating food items at the two functions held in April. Your assistance was greatly appreciated. There are still some containers in the kitchen from the Skate-a-Thon, including a very nice soup pan. Please be sure to stop in and pick these up as soon as possible. Thank you.

**PIANO REGISTRATION** for September 2013 - June 2014 for those presently taking lessons and new ones who would like to begin taking piano lessons. Cost is \$12 for 20 minute lesson and \$18 for a 30 minute lesson. A form is available at the end of the journal to cut off, fill in, and return to the office.

**From the Classrooms:**

**JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh**

There's a whole lot of peeping coming from within our walls. We were so blessed this week with the hatching of 12 chicks! That's a 92% success rate!

A short R.S.V.P. note went home Wednesday to help in the planning of our Mother's Day event next Friday. If you haven't already done so, would you please return it as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly. Thank you!

**Upcoming Dates:**

Wednesday: Library Day  
Egg Drop at 2:30 pm  
Friday: Moms & Muffins at 9:15 am

**Grade 1 & 2 – Miss de Haan**

\*Work folders were sent home yesterday. New spelling words and reading diaries went home as well. After filling in the owl reading sheet, a pizza incentive form was started. Once the pizza form is completed, your child has met the requirements for the year. While reading at home is still encouraged, students who have reached this level no longer to return a reading diary. Congratulations to those who have reached this point!

\*Please help your child remember to return **three** library books on Wednesday, May 8. Thank you!

## Grade 3 & 4 – Mrs. Boer

☺ Today we enjoyed playing our recorders and singing for our grandparents and special guests. We really liked it when they came to visit us in our classroom too!

☺ Yesterday we had fun putting on our assembly! We also enjoyed having our parents come to our classroom for refreshments. We're proud of how we performed! We did our best and we did great!! Thank you parents, for helping us prepare our costumes.

☺ On Wednesday we had the pleasure of singing with the Hope CRC Praise Team.

☺ Much of this week was spent on preparing for our assembly. However, we did make time for some of our other subjects. In Bible this week, we saw how God helped David become king over all of Israel after being king of only Judah for seven years. David made Jerusalem the city of God and had the ark returned there.

Both grades continued working on a multiplication in math this week. Grade 3 worked with doubling and

split arrays to solve larger facts. Grade 4 learned to estimate and multiply 2-digit and 3-digit by 1-digit using the short way.

☆ We have run out of both kleenex and pencils in our classroom. If you have extra of either of these two items, please send them to school with your child. This has never happened in grade 3/4 before! We must have had a lot of colds and written work this year!

Monday: Return your homework folder and Reading Record sheet  
Gr.4 Grammar p.100

Wednesday: Library - Remember your books!

Thursday: Mad Minute worksheets  
☆ Math Test - Multiplication  
Test Yourself is due

Friday: Word Wall Word Review #6 test  
Pogo Hot Lunch

## Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

We had a terrific week in our class! We really enjoyed celebrating in worship with the Hope Church worship band on Wednesday and watching the assembly of the grade 3/4 class! Thank you for reminding us that we can't please everyone all of the time - God is the only one we need to look to please. We also were reminded how special each one of us is and that each of us have our own unique gifts and talents. Wonderful job! We also enjoyed performing for our grandparents and special friends at the tea this afternoon! Some of us even got special cards and notes from grandparents who live far away and could not make it. What a sweet surprise!

This week the grade six class wrapped up their classes on Sexuality. Thank you to Mr. Himanen for leading the boys. Thank you, also, to Miss deHaan, Mrs. Hawkins, and Mr. Alblas for helping with the grade five class over the last number of weeks so this subject could be taught to the grade sixes. To wrap things up, our class watched "Window to the Womb" which is a video which outlines the miracle of birth right from conception to birth and shows the various stages of development using ultrasound technology.

This week I also finished reading the book, *Where*

*the Red Fern Grows*, to the class. The ending always moves me to tears, and I think there were some others in the class who also were emotional when Old Dan and Little Anne died while saving Billy's life. We enjoyed watching the movie this week, too, while enjoying snacks and treats!

Congratulations to everyone in grade six on a fabulous math test on fractions! Congratulations also to Dacotah who finished a row of reading (30 books) and to Faryn and Joanna who each finished a second row of book reading (60 books!) Enjoy your sweet treat!

### Next Week:

Memory Work: Jeremiah 9: 23-24

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**Grade 5 Math:** Students wrote a test this week and have started a new unit on fractions.

**Computers:** Students worked on more Bitstrips assignments and Luke showed us how to download images from the internet into Bitstrip comics.

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

**Bible:** The class will be continuing its study of how Paul was spreading the gospel among the Gentiles. We will be learning about the struggles and victories that Paul experienced as the church was attempting to reach out and bring the good news to as many people as possible.

**Memory Work:** Acts 17:28 - Friday, May 10

**Health:** Quiz on the Skeletal and Muscular System on Thursday, May 9.

**History:** Next week the students will continue to work on their projects for their specific aspect of Roman life. We will also be learning about some of the specific emperors of Rome such as Julius Caesar and Caesar Augustus.

**Science:** Next week the class will be learning about some other objects that are found in our solar system. We will be looking at how they might be formed, and their role in the solar system that God has created.

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

**Careers:** Students worked through assignments on job interviews, applications, and Canada's National Occupation Code through Career Cruising.

**Music – Mrs. Hawkins**

**Grade 1/2 Music:** Students played boomwhackers to "Johnny One Hammer" and listened to part of the "Carnival of the Animals".

**Grade 5/6 Music:** Students played well today. Please bring your recorders to Tuesday's class. We will be starting something new next week.

**Grade 3/4 Music:** Students played recorders well today! Please bring your recorders to class on Tuesdays.

**Grade 7 Band:** Practice "Rosamunde", "Merry-Go-Round", and "Soldier Boy" for your playing tests next week.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School Grade in September 2013: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out and return to the school by **May 24, 2013**. Thank you. 🎵