



### 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:

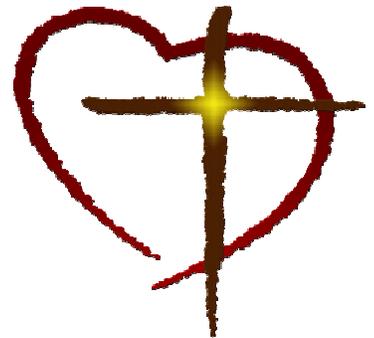
Greetings TBCS,

Once again we celebrate the ascension of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Jesus' last words were: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the world" (Acts 1:8).

We receive not only assurance of faith, but also the knowledge that we are children of God, cleansed by the precious blood of Christ. This naturally places upon us the obligation to tell others about Him and to therefore be part of the Great Commission of proclaiming Jesus as Lord and Saviour.

It is my prayer that the instruction that your children receive here at Thunder Bay Christian School will in part help prepare them in the sharing of this "Great News." As many of our teachers have said to their students, "You may be the only Bible someone every reads."

As you can see from the image above we have a cross surrounded by a heart. The message of salvation is centered on "Love." It is this same love that guides us in times of joy and in times of sorrow. As our community gathers to grieve the loss of a parent, may the love of Christ give us all comfort, strength and hope.



Shalom,  
Andy Alblas

#### Looking Ahead:

<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 13</b>	- TAN Sorting on Mondays has been cancelled for the month of May
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 14</b>	- <b>Executive Meeting</b> 8:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 15</b>	- Play Group 9:30-11:30 am - Wrestling Practice 3:30-4:15 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 16</b>	- Grade 9 & 10 Assembly 9:00 am - Wrestling Meet (Fort William Gardens) - <b>HR Meeting</b> 7:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 17</b>	- Hot Lunch Pogo



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## From our School Community:

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Laura Vanlenthe and sons, Morgan and Mitchell, on the passing of Brian Vanlenthe, husband and father. Please keep them in your prayers at this time. Our condolences to the families of Marshall & Trudy Bolt, Bill & Jenny Groenheide, Mark & Sabrina Bolt, David & Jolene Makkinga, Lori Vanlenthe, as well as many other relatives and friends.

**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.

**WINTER IS OVER!!** As we celebrate the warmer temperatures, please bring home winter sports equipment eg. hockey sticks, skates etc.

**TORONTO TRIP REMINDER:** Etiquette for Class Trips and Consent Forms are due in to the school office by **May 21**. Student payment contributions for the Toronto Trip are also due on the same day. All forms and payments need to be completed and sent in *before* the Toronto Trip. ***Please also send the Toronto City Passes to the office before May 31.***

## From the Classrooms:

### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

Our chicks went home Wednesday so our classroom will be very quiet next week. The class became very proficient at holding, catching and cleaning up after our feathery friends!

Thanks for all the help and support with the makings of the egg drop boxes/containers. What a creative group! The results were very interesting.

I had already rescheduled the ***Moms & Muffins***

**11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TBCS GOLF TOURNAMENT** The 11th annual golf tournament will be held on June 8 at Northern Lights Golf Course. We as a committee are looking for help....

-the week prior and the day of

-donations of beef roasts

-companies or individuals to sponsor a hole

-Golfers

-And prayers that the Lord will bless our efforts and have a good day

Please call Lorrie Dykstra 939-1046 or the school at 939-1209 for more information. Thank you

**HIGH SCHOOL MATH POSTING:** 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.

**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.

**SCHOLASTIC:** Classroom flyers were sent home with your child last week. Special flyers will also be sent home with the oldest in each family today. If you wish to place an order, please return to the school no later than Wednesday, May 15. Please remember to note the prices in the ONT column as they are occasionally higher. Thank you.

**GRADE 7 PARENTS:** Please send \$10.00/family to the school office for the graduation cakes.

by a week, but due to families leaving to go out of town for the long weekend, I need to please reschedule it again. It will now be held on ***Wednesday, May 15 at 9:15am***. I hope every Mom will be able to attend this morning so we can share some special time with you!!

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday: Moms & Muffins Library day

## Grade 1 & 2 – Miss de Haan

\*Work folders were sent home today. New spelling words and reading diaries went home as well.

\*Please help your child remember to return **three** library books on Wednesday, May 15. Thank you!

## Grade 3 & 4 – Mrs. Boer

♥ Our sincere compassion, love, and support go out to Mitchell for the loss of his dear dad. We were eager to be extra kind to him this week. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the rest of his family too!!

☺ In Bible this week, we saw that although God would not allow David to build him a temple, he made a covenant with David and promised that his kingship would last forever.

Both grades completed and reviewed their multiplication chapter in math this week. Today they wrote their chapter 9 test. Look for the results early next week.

Instructions for "Country" projects in social studies were handed out yesterday. Students have several weeks to work on them and some parental guidance would be appreciated.

Thank you to those of you who sent kleenex and pencils to school this week. We could still use more of each item, so if you have extras at home we will thankfully accept your contributions.

✿ ✿ We're wishing all our moms a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday!! Thank you for your love and care and everything you do for us on a daily basis!!

Monday: Return your homework folder and Reading Record sheet  
Gr.4 Grammar p.102

Wednesday: Library - Remember your books!

Thursday: Math/Mad Minute worksheets

Friday: Word Wall Word Review #7 test  
Pogo Hot Lunch

## Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

This week we were saddened by the news that Morgan's father, Brian Vanlenthe, passed away. Brian was also an uncle to Abby and Nathan in our class. We are so sorry for your loss and pray that God will comfort and sustain you during this very difficult time. Know that we are fervently praying for you.

In our class this week we began learning about the process of writing speeches. We are working through several lessons dealing with writing good paragraphs which have clear and inviting topic sentences and good unity. Students can pick any topic they wish for their speech and will be writing speeches from 2-4 minutes in length.

In math the grade sixes learned how to add and subtract fractions using regrouping. Next week they will cover multiplication and division of fractions and end the week with a test on operations with fractions.

In Literature we learned about what it is like to be disabled and saw how life might appear from that perspective.

In P.E. we enjoyed going outside to bask in the sun while playing soccer baseball. Even I was able to catch a few fly balls to help my team out!

We were excited to finish our special Mother's Day gift and to package it up! I hope you enjoy your special gift, moms. May you be blessed as you love and take care of your family!

### Next Week:

Memory Work: Jeremiah 9: 23-24

Monday - Letter to Jean due

Friday - Math test - grade 6 (operations with fractions)

**Grade 5 Math:** Students started a unit on fractions.

**Computers:** Students had an introduction to Prezi.

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

**History:** Next week the students will be learning about some the emperors that ruled Rome after Caesar Augustus. We will also begin to study how the Roman Empire dealt with the growth of the church and the beginnings of the persecution of the church.

**Geography:** Next week the class will be learning about the different landforms on the earth's surface, and they will be investigating how they are formed.

**Science:** The class will be learning about how vast the universe that God created is as we look at the different galaxies that exist in the universe.

**Health:** The quiz on the skeletal and muscular system has been moved to Tuesday May 14.

**Math:** May 16 Math test for Gr. 7 and 8.

**Memory Work:**  
Wednesday May 15 - Philippians 2: 14 &15

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

**Careers:** Students continued working on computer assignments this week.

**Music – Mrs. Hawkins**

**Grade 1/2 Music:** Students played circle games and completed rhythm activities.

**Grade 5/6 Music:** We started watching a movie about Johann Strauss Jr.

**Grade 3/4 Music:** Students learned about Australia’s famous folksong *Waltzing Matilda*.

**Grade 7 Band:** We’ll have a playing test next Wednesday.

**Piano Registration Form**

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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. 🎵