



**WISE UP: WISE WORDS FROM PROVERBS**

*"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,  
and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding"* Proverbs 9:10



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**From The Principal's Desk:**

Greetings TBCS,

As you are aware our school will be producing **The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe** this year. The Newsletter that is going home today has a one page listing of different props and costumes we will need. I would also like to take this time to communicate a few more details regarding this play.

1. This performance will include all students.
  - a. **Actors** (Grade 5-10) –students not comfortable with acting will be involved in one or more of the following areas:
    - i. Set design (painting and constructing)
    - ii. Costumes creators
    - iii. Helpers for make-up
    - iv. Behind the scenes managers to help ensure everyone is where they need to be at the right moment.
  - b. **Animals:** Good and Bad (Grade 1-4) – there will be no speaking parts, at times they will be frozen due to the Witch's power, but once they are free they will battle with bad animals in the final showdown between the Witch and Aslan
  - c. **Mice** (JK/SK) – they will be given white gloves and through the use of black lights it will appear that they will be eating the ropes that have bound Aslan.
2. All work (Sets/Costumes) and practices will take place during school hours (Class time). Since this production will be a lot of work, it was decided that this would take the place of assemblies.

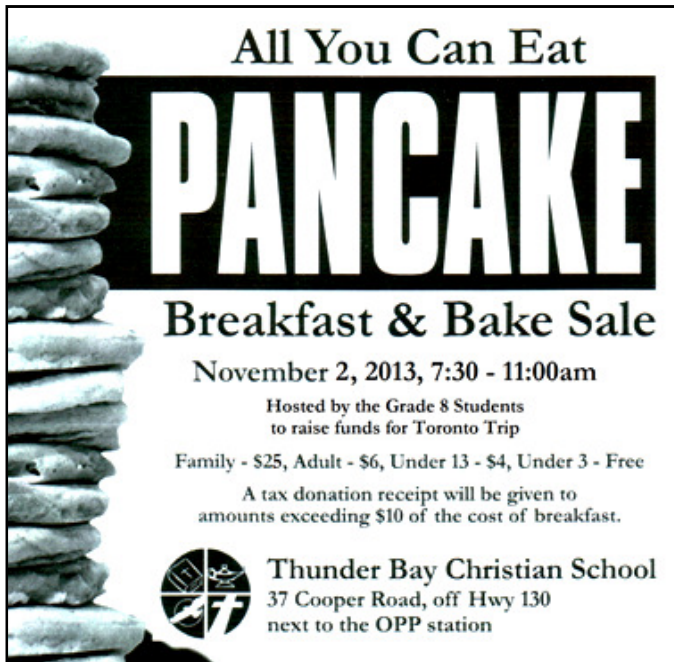
Shalom,  
Andy Alblas

**Looking Ahead:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov 4</b>	- TRIP orders due - <b>Membership Meeting</b>	9:00 am 8:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov 5</b>	- Volleyball Practice	3:30-5 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov 6</b>	- Playgroup - Library Day - <b>Promotion Meeting</b>	10-12 noon 7:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Nov 7</b>	- Delivery of Mom's Pantry - Volleyball Practice - <b>TAN Meeting</b> - <b>Maintenance Meeting</b>	3:00 pm 3:30-5 pm 8:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov 8</b>	- Chapel - Pogo Hot Lunch	9:00 am

## From our School Community:

**Pancake Breakfast:** Come one, come all to the Pancake Breakfast tomorrow from 7:30-11 a.m. for a great start to your day. See you there!



All You Can Eat  
**PANCAKE**  
Breakfast & Bake Sale  
November 2, 2013, 7:30 - 11:00am  
Hosted by the Grade 8 Students  
to raise funds for Toronto Trip  
Family - \$25, Adult - \$6, Under 13 - \$4, Under 3 - Free  
A tax donation receipt will be given to  
amounts exceeding \$10 of the cost of breakfast.  
Thunder Bay Christian School  
37 Cooper Road, off Hwy 130  
next to the OPP station

**Mom's Pantry Deliveries:** The grade 8's are reminded that you are responsible to deliver orders to your customers. The orders will be ready on Thursday, at 3:00 pm. Please plan to be here to get your child's orders since NO orders will be sent home on the bus because of the frozen items. If you can't make it on this day, please make arrangements for someone to be here to pick it up. **2-3 sorting volunteers should be at the school by 2:00 p.m. Please call the school if you are able to help out.**

**Volleyball:** Next Tuesday Grades 6-8 are invited to join the Volleyball team. Practices will be held every Tues and Thurs. (Nov 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 26, 28, and Dec 3) Mr. Alblas will be coaching the boys and girls and a tournament will be held on December 4. It is the expectation that those interested in being on the team will be at as many practices as possible. I am looking forward to working with all the students. Mr. Alblas.

**Bazaar 2013** – We all know about the hustle and bustle of the Bazaar!! Noise, activity and squeals of delight can be heard everywhere!! EXCEPT in the TEA ROOM!!

In the **TEA ROOM** you will be pampered in a quieter atmosphere. You will be served bottomless hot and cold refreshments, enjoy a delectable dessert. There will be snacks to nibble on while you relax with friends and hopefully meet some new friends too!

There will be two limited sittings of 30 seats available on Thursday November 21 at 7:15 – 8:00 and at 8:15 – 9:00. Please pre-order your **\$6.00** tickets by calling Lorrie Dykstra at 626-2765 or by calling the school office and we will reserve you a seat.

On the day of the Bazaar you can also check availability at the Tea Room Front desk. Don't miss this wonderful venue or you will be left peeking in through the window!

**Game Announcement** - Do you have a great pitching arm? Have you ever wondered how fast you can pitch? Check out the Ball Toss!! We have a radar gun to track your speed! We have a great prize for the fastest recorded speed for Junior(under 13) and Senior(over 13). Who will be the next Cy Young or Babe Ruth?

**Exciting Auction Item** - We will be auctioning off a 1994 INDY STORM 800cc SKI-DOO! It has just over 4000 miles, has reverse and a studded track. Very good condition. Just tuned up and it runs like a dream.

**Playgroup** is thrilled to have a new puppet theatre thanks to Mrs. Angela Gysen :) Keep us in mind if you are looking to clean out your to room. We appreciate any donations. All parents and caregivers are welcome to come out on Wednesday from 10 to 12.



**Student Council:** After much deliberation, our student council of the 2013/2014 school year will consist of four grade eight students and one grade nine student. These students will be responsible for organizing and implementing different fundraising opportunities and fun activities for the student body. Each eligible and interested student was interviewed to see what he/she could bring to student council and if they had any ideas. Thank-you to all who were interested. Congratulations to the students who were chosen to take part this year: Brooke Pinta, Kelsey Semeschuk, Matthew Breukelman, and Scott Breukelman. Karen Boyes will be our student council president. I have high expectations for each student involved. I expect a positive, helpful attitude, and humility in their leadership positions. There may be volunteer opportunities for activities that student council hosts, so please stay tuned. Shalom, Miss Baxter

**Fall Membership Meeting** is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 4 at 8:00 p.m.

**Staff, Students and Families,** Over the last two years and two months I have had the privilege to teach the TBCS students the French language. I have developed different activities, games and routines that help the students to learn another language and have fun at the same time. I have developed my own teaching and planning skills and feel so thankful for the opportunity to grow and learn with each class. Each class has wonderful qualities and personality. I have been blessed to know each student over these past two years. The staff has been very supportive and encouraging, offering their help when asked. Thank you teachers for all the hard work you put into this school. It is a wonderful thing to teach with Christ at the centre. I am excited to have this next year to watch my first child grow and learn. Thank you for all your love and support. May God continue to bless TBCS and each family. Sincerely, Alexandra Baxter

**Newsletter** was sent home with every family today.

**November Calendar** is attached to today's Journal.

## From the Classrooms:

### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

The November calendar and newsletter went home on Wednesday outlining all of the details for this new month. Please let me know if you did not receive it and I will send home another. Thanks!

### Grade 1 & 2 – Miss Rekman

**Bible:** We will be reading the stories of Jonah and the end of the kingdom of Israel (2 Kings 17). Our memory work is Psalm 103:8 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him."

**Math:** We will end our units on geometry and measurement with a quiz on November 6. Students should be able to identify different 2D and 3D shapes, measure in centimeters, and compare length.

### Language Arts:

**WWW:** In our weekly classes we are learning how

to rhyme with our spelling words and use them to help us spell new words.

Grade 1: bus, us, fun, sun, tub

Grade 2: funny, running, jump, much, cute

Challenge: Jonah, August

**Reading:** New reading logs will go home on Monday. At least one of these papers should be filled in for the month of October. Students who fill in more than one paper will receive a special prize. If you need a second paper, just let me know. Some students will be bringing home leveled readers that they can read all on their own. Please make sure these get sent back to school.

**Writing:** Students did very well on their first writing project of the year. These will be sent home with the other worksheets today, please take a look at them!

**Socials:** We will be making maps next week. Our vocabulary words are legend, symbol, and globe. We will also be making videos of TBCS for our penpals in Wisconsin.

Our star of the Week is Joseph!

### Grade 3 & 4 – Miss de Haan

This week the folder includes new Word Wall words and a new Reading Log. The Reading Log should be returned each week to check progress and a new one will only be sent home when the log is completed on both sides. A new Mad Minute pack is also coming home today.

Some highlights this week:

\*In Gr. 3: using a calculator to count up and down by 10's and 100's up to 999

\*In Gr. 4: representing numbers in different forms (ie. standard, expanded, models, etc.)

\*Learning that God always keeps His promises but sometimes we have to wait (Just as Abraham and Sarah waited many years for God's promise to come to fruition!)

\*All students completed their planet presentations and did a fantastic job! God has given us a huge solar system and many students are wondering what else is yet to be discovered!

\*In Literature, we read about a deaf girl who communicated differently. We have been trying to spell words with sign language.

#### Dates to Remember:

Monday: Return folders

Tuesday: Return "Chunk" homework

Wednesday: Return all library books

Thursday: Return Mad Minute pack  
Spelling Tests

Friday: Return Reading Log to check progress

### Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

I can't believe how quickly this week and the month of October flew by! Already it is November and soon the snow will be on the ground! This week we continued working through the various subject areas: In P.E. we enjoyed playing new games that I learned at a workshop at the convention. In math the grade sixes began the next chapter called "Data Management" (graphing) and the grade fives wrote their test on chapter 2 "Numeration". We learned about convex and concave lenses in Science (ask you son/daughter what trick we used to remember how they are shaped) In Bible we studied the organization of the Bible. We learned about the Hebrew and Greek languages and continued to memorize the categories and the books of the Bible in order. Students handed in their first set of written book reports, and I have been so impressed with the way they have done these.

Good work, class! We also got a chance to experience how committees work through the "decision making process" by bringing forth a motion, carrying out discussion on the motion, and voting on the motion. We did this to come up with our Bazaar Box idea. The theme that was decided upon was "Sweet Treats". Delicious sweet treats in the range of \$10-\$15 (ie. chocolates, candies, drink mixes etc.) can be sent in to be put in our classroom box which will be auctioned off at the Bazaar in November.

Next Week:

Memory Work: 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Monday - Comma quiz (both classes)

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

**Bazaar Boxes-** Each of your children has signed up for a bazaar box idea. Please ask them what they have signed up for and start looking around for different options.

**History:** Next week the class will be learning about the War of 1812. The students will be learning about the reasons that the war with the United States started, and how the colonies of Upper and Lower Canada responded to the American attacks.

**Geography:** The class will be studying the different animals that live in the coniferous forest biome, and how God has given these animals special characteristics that allow them to survive in the sometimes harsh climate of this biome.

**Bible:** The class will be having their unit test on the Singer next week on Thursday November 7. Students need to remember all the symbolism found in this story, and what it means to them.

**Gr. 8 Guitar:** The class will be having their playing test on Monday November 4. Students can pick any song that we have played so far this year to show that they know their chords, and that they can play a strumming pattern.

**Art:** The students are developing their skills in colour mixing. The students are each painting a smaller piece of a bigger painting. Make sure to come see the larger painting pieced together in the front hallway.

**Language Arts:** Students are busy working away on book projects. You should see some projects coming home this weekend to be worked on, as they are due on Monday, November 4th. Students have four major book projects throughout the year and they have the option to opt out of one. I have stressed that they must be on top of their reading so that they do not get behind. Please check out the blog website that I have set up. All the instructions and a marking scheme for their book reports and projects are listed on that blog. I am hoping to set up the presentations and their explanations in the library or the front hallway for parents and peers to view the work. We will be doing reading conferences next week. Students will be asked to read a passage and I will record them. I will provide them with feedback and we will set a goal for their reading. The students are now exploring the idea of point of view. What types of point of view appear in different types of writing? What is the purpose for using different types of point of view?

**Math:** There will be a math test for Grade 7 and 8 next week Friday on Geometry. Please ensure your child reviews the terms at home, and it would be beneficial to review their textbook as well.

**Memory work-** Wednesday November 6 - John 8: 31

## Grade 9 & 10 – Miss Baxter, Mrs. Vortman, Mr. Himanen, Mrs. Hawkins

**Bazaar Boxes-** Each of your children has signed up for a bazaar box idea. Please ask them what they have signed up for and start looking around for different options.

**Bible:** The students are learning the fine art of working within a group. Sometimes this can be difficult and sometimes frustrating but it is a key skill that will be used throughout their lives. They are working on creating a bulletin board on Paul's missionary journey. Things are coming together so

feel free to come and visit to take a look.

**English:** Well, we are finally finished our first book together. The students will view the film version of the book, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, after writing their final test. We are also working on developing their first essay of the year. Make sure to check in with your children to see what they are working on and what topic they have chosen for their essays. The most difficult part of writing an essay is developing the thesis. We will work on this next week, time

permitting.

**AVIO:** Students explored the works of different scratchboard artists and started planning their own work.

## Music – Mrs. Hawkins

**Grade 1-2:** Students learned new songs this week.

**Grade 3-4:** Students are doing very well with their recorders. They are continuing to learn "Simple Gifts".

**Grade 5-6:** Please bring your ukes to school on Thursday so I can tune them for Friday's class. Please practice ukulele chords from group one and group two for next week.

**Grade 7 Band:** Students have learned their fourth note this week. We will have another playing test on page 8 next Wednesday. Students will be asked to play "Mary Had a Little Lamb" and one other melody of their choice.