



**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,

We were blessed last night by the singing and reading of scripture by our students.

Praise be to our God and creator who has allowed us to worship Him with the gifts and talents he has given us.

It was wonderful to have a full house in which we could enjoy the wonder of God together.

Sitting in the back running the Power-Point didn't allow me to take the best pictures, so please let me know if you are willing to share yours.

Shalom,  
Andy Alblas



**Looking Ahead:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Dec 16</b>	- TRIP Anytime Orders - Piano Recital - Sorting <b>City bus</b>	9:00 am 2:00 pm 7:00-9:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Dec 17</b>	-	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Dec 18</b>	- Library Day - Playgroup - Teachers Meetings	10:00-12:00 pm 3:30-5:00 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Dec 19</b>	-	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Dec 20</b>	- Chapel	9:00 am

## From our School Community:

**1:00 p.m. Dismissal:** The last day of school before Christmas holidays is Dec. 20. School will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m.

**The Recess Rink** will be operational and ready to go starting Monday, Dec. 16. Hockey/safety helmets (not bicycle) must be worn on the ice. When traveling on the bus, skates must have skate guards or be in a sturdy bag for safety. Our deepest thanks to the volunteers for all their hard work in getting the rink ready.

**Congratulations** to Bill & Jenny Groenheide on the birth of a granddaughter, Marissa Riley, born Wednesday, Dec. 11.

**Attention Committees:** Receipts for donations or refunds must get to the bookkeeper, Trudy Bolt, by the end of the year. Also, please inform her about address changes so all tax receipts can be mailed out correctly. Thank you.

**Piano Recital:** There will be a piano recital for all of Tara Rea's students on **Monday, Dec. 16**, starting at 2:00 p.m.

**Thank you** to the hot lunch ladies who came and served Pizza Hot lunch on Thursday.

**Twice as Nice** is short of volunteers to help out in the store next week. Morning shifts are from 1000 to 1:30, afternoon from 1:30 to 4:30. Please consider coming in for a shift or two, remember the store supports the school and reduces the cost of tuition for every family. Call Jenny Mol to schedule a shift – 475-6995 or [jhmol@tbaytel.net](mailto:jhmol@tbaytel.net) or call the Twice as Nice store at 622-7575.

**Student Council:** Unfortunately, it has been decided that we will be canceling the grade 7-10 talent show this year due to limited interest from students.

**Cold Weather Reminder:** With the cold weather coming upon us, just a reminder that the office checks the internet weather forecast before each break. A temperature of -20 to -30 degrees Celsius with the wind chill is considered a penguin recess (children can go outside and come back inside if they are cold). Below -30 with the wind chill is an indoor recess. If you are on yard duty, please check the weather forecast or call the office before coming to school. The office uses Environment Canada website: [www.weatheroffice.gc.ca](http://www.weatheroffice.gc.ca).

**Milk Crates:** If you brought a milk crate home with your chocolate milk from the Bazaar, please return it to the school as the committee returns them for a refund.

**Baking Containers** left from the bazaar are still in the school kitchen. If you are missing a glass 9 x 13, a cookie sheet, or a rectangular cake cover carrier please come claim it before it winds up at Twice As Nice. Thank you.

**January Milk Form** is attached to today's Journal. Please fill out and hand into office by **Wednesday, Dec. 18**.

**Retake Photos:** The last of the retake photo orders were sent home on Thursday, Dec. 12.

**TBCS TRIP News:** Anytime orders can be filled any school day up to and including Dec. 20. TRIP orders will not be filled during the Christmas holidays, but will start up again on Jan. 6.

## From the Classrooms:

### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh



I was so proud of each and every one of you this past week as we completed a blanket service project on Wednesday and the Thursday evening Christmas assembly. A huge thank you is extended to Mrs. Trudi Binderup, Mrs. Trudy Bolt, Mrs. Jeanette Meijaard, Mr. Martin Schep, Mrs. Jennifer Small and Mrs. Shelly VanVoort for coming and volunteering to work alongside our little working hands. Project Linus is overwhelmed by our generosity and will be receiving our 8 blankets that will be distributed to local families in need. Although we are young, small and often overlooked, we proved this week that we can do great things and in Jesus' name serve others around us!

### Grade 1 & 2 – Miss Rekman

**Bible:** We will be reading the Christmas story and learning about how these stories fulfilled the old testament prophecies.

**Math:** We are doing a small unit on money. Students are learning to recognize each of the coins and their values. We will also be learning to count by dimes and pennies.

#### **Language Arts:**

**WWW:** This week we will be reviewing the words that have been a little tricky for us to master. Words such as was, they, did, and really. We will practice using spelling words to spell new words.

**Reading:** This week we will be reading one book on Wayne Gretzky and another called "Mooseltoe". If you would like to have some books at home for the Christmas break please make sure your book bag comes back to school.

**Socials Studies:** We will be learning about two final Canadians who made contributions to our country: Alexander Graham Bell and Wayne Gretzky. There will be a quiz on Thursday on all the people we have learned about and what they did to help keep Canada glorious and free. Student work will come home on Wednesday so that you can review at home.

Our star of the week is Lauren!

### Grade 3 & 4 – Miss. de Haan

Thanks for helping your child learn the lines for our Christmas Program yesterday. Everyone did a great job!

Time has been going by quickly with the Christmas season upon us. We've been reading the Bible stories about the preparation for Jesus' birth, doing various art projects, learning about Christmas traditions in other countries, etc.

\*\*There are still a few outstanding hot chocolate I.O.U.'s and report card envelopes that need to be returned. Please help us wrap this up on Monday if you have not already done so. Thank you.

### Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

Congratulations, class, on doing such a wonderful job speaking and singing at the school's Christmas program! God was praised and glorified through your efforts!

Thank you for sending in apple juice so that we could enjoy apple cider this and next week! We had a wonderful week, not only doing our school work, but doing some special Christmas crafts, listening to Christmas music, and reading some special Christmas stories. We finished reading *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and enjoyed watching the movie today as we sipped our cider! Congratulations is extended to Toby who has finished reading a row of 25 books! Way to go! Enjoy your sweet treat!

Students in grade six participated in the St. John's Ambulance First Aid Lifesaver program. The students learned a lot and were so well behaved! Hopefully no one will ever have to use their knowledge saving an injured person, but they will be ready if need be! Remember to send in your submissions for the poster contest soon.

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

**History:** Next week the class will be starting their next section of Canadian history which will look at the growth of the colony leading up to the rebellions that took place in 1837.

#### Dates to Remember:

Monday: \*Return folders

Wednesday: \*Return all library books

Thursday: \*Return Reading Log to check progress (one day early again, please)

Friday: \*We will have a bit of a Christmas party if you wish to send in anything.

Just a reminder that next week, on Tuesday, we will have our Christmas party. We will enjoy special ethnic treats to honour our family cultures, and we will take time to share our family's Christmas traditions. If you are able, please send in something that can be shared with the class that is traditional to your own particular family celebrations ie. Scottish - shortbread, Dutch - speculaas etc. \*\*Items can be purchased or homemade but remember to ensure that they are peanut/nut free.

#### Next Week:

\*\*One oral book report for the month of December due this week

Tuesday - Christmas party

**Language Arts:** Students are busily working on writing their short stories and reading. Over the next month, including Christmas break, students' main focus should be on preparing for their next book projects and writing their short stories.

**Science:** Next week the class will be completing their study of energy and work, and will begin to look at the simple machines that we see and use on a daily basis.

**Bible:** Christian has made it to the Celestial City with his friend Hopeful. Now the story continues and will conclude with the story of Christiana who is Christian's wife. Will she and her children make it to the Celestial City?

The class will be having a Christmas party on Friday December 20 to take the place of the Talent Show. The class will be having a White Elephant gift swap, watching a video, and enjoying different snacks. More details will be passed on to the students on Monday next week.

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

**Bible:** Students are beginning their culminating task for their New Testament unit. They will be working on a research paper which touches on different elements that they have studied so far this year. Each student has chosen a particular topic and are now working on their main research.

**English:** Grade nine students have begun a poetry unit while grade 10 students have begun working on their independent anthologies. Students have now finished another Eagles' Eye newsletter. Check out the new look!

### Music – Mrs. Hawkins

**Music Students:** Thank you for all of your hard work preparing for our Christmas program. You sang and performed your instruments beautifully. Your hard work made for a very special evening of praising God and celebrating the birth of Jesus.

### Board of Director Mini-minutes for December 10, 2013

1. Opening devotions by Ed Van Voort and he reads from Psalm 68:19
2. Motion is made by Richard Veurink and Peter Kaemingk to use the TBCS building and 3 buses for the week of July 12-19, 2013 for SERVE. Carried.
3. Twice As Nice – Another \$15K is transferred to the school for a total of \$85K since July. Thank you to all the volunteers, staff and supporters of the Thrift Store for their dedicated work. Please let Jenny Mol know if you are available for any shifts at the store.
4. Chairman Ed Van Voort reviews the new format for bringing motions to the Board. It is suggested that motions be brought to the Board a minimum of 11 days before the meeting. In the event that the motion is urgent in nature, a request can be made 4 days in advance. Deadline is 5pm on Friday. All committees will be sent a copy of the motion form. Please don't hesitate to ask any Board member if clarification is needed regarding this new format.
5. Fred Van Elburg closes in prayer.