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## **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

# From The Principal's Desk:



It was a blessing to see the faculty and students of Thunder Bay Christian School working together to clean up the school grounds. This was done just before the Celebration Tea. Everyone was happy to lend a hand and move away the last of the lingering snow mounds. Great job!





# **Looking Ahead:**

Monday	May 12	- TRIP orders due	9:00 am	
Tuesday	May 13	- Track and Field Practice	3:30-5pm	
Wednesday	May 14	- Library Day - Playgroup	10:00-12:00 pm	
Thursday	May 15	- Early Release Day	1:00 pm	
Friday	May 16	- Pizza Hot Lunch - TRIP Pickup	3:30 pm	
Monday	May 19	- Victoria Day	NO SCHOOL	

# **From our School Community:**

#### **TBCS 12th Annual Golf Tournament:**

June 14, 2014 - 9:30 am. 18 Hole, Best Ball, Shot Gun start at the beautiful Northern Lights Golf Complex. Information is attached to today's journal.

Golf Tournament Needs: We are looking for donations of beef roasts for the golf tournament lunch, any willing workers for the tournament day, and your prayers during the planning of the event. Please contact Lorrie or Connie Dykstra if you can help us out.

**Heat Up The BBQ!!** The school is doing a meat fundraiser for the Student Fund. Please hand in all order forms by **Tuesday, May 20**.

**Skate-A-Thon** total is up to **\$25,316.60!!** There is still over \$1,500.00 to be collected from sponsors. Please remind sponsors to get their donations in so we can finish up this school budget fundraiser.

**Scholastic:** Classroom flyers were sent home with your child on Wednesday this week. Two special flyers will also be sent home with the oldest in each family today. If you wish to place an order, please return it to the school no later than **Wednesday, May 14.** Please remember to note the prices in the ONT column as they are occasionally higher. Thank you.

\*\*I have two items from the recent order and am unsure whom they belong to. If you placed an order and did not receive it, please contact Sandra. Thank you.

**Bus Changes:** Dan Breukelman will be driving the City bus until May 12.

**Track & Field:** Students in grades 4-8 who are interested in trying out for our Track and Field teams are invited to come out for practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-5pm. (weather permitting) Next Thursday, due to the early release day, practice will be held during recess.

**Dragonboat Festival 2014:** The date for the festival is <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 31.</u> The boat is full! Thanks for getting your forms in on time. Once the practice times are posted, I will let the team know. There are still a few students who need to pay the registration fee. Please get this to Miss Rekman as soon as possible.

**Grade 7 Parents:** Please send \$10.00/family to the school office for the graduation cakes. A grad dinner package is coming home with your child today listing the particulars and duties assigned, so be sure to ask your child for it.

**Toronto Trip Reminder:** Etiquette for Class Trips and Consent Forms are due in to the school as soon as possible. All forms need to be completed and handed in *before* the trip.

**Winter Is Over!** As we celebrate the warmer temperatures, please bring home winter sports equipment eg. hockey sticks, skates, etc.

**Graduate Baby Pictures:** Grade 8 students, please look through your baby pictures and pick one to go in the graduation book and hand it in to the office. We will return the original picture to you.

**Piano Registration** is still open for the 2014-2015 school year. Please see the form at end of the journal if you are interested. The cost is \$12 for a 20 minute lesson and \$18 for a 30 minute lesson.

### From the Classrooms:

#### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

Over the past couple of weeks we have been busy planning and preparing to host our Moms, and today, we finally got to have them share an afternoon with us. Thank you Moms, for coming in and I hope many smiles and memories were created to treasure for years to come!

Since Spring is finally here, we have begun on Mondays to work on our shoe tying abilities. The SK class is making great progress after only one session. Well done!

Our classroom supply of plastic bags has dwindled down to just a couple. If you have an overabundance of them at home, please send them in so our crate can be restocked. Thank you!

#### **Grade 1 & 2** – Miss Rekman

Bible: We will be reading about the missionary journeys of Paul. The memory work is Romans 8:38-39 and we will be learning it as a song. "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Math: Today we practised graphing with gummy bears. Of course this meant that we had a yummy snack too! We will continue with graphs next week by collecting data and making our own graphs,

Language arts: Working With Words:

Grade 1: good, wood, moon, spoon, joke, poke,

who, how

Grade 2: pool, tooth, roots, colour, foot, feet, proof, choose,

Challenge: graph, shirt

Reading: Students received a handout for their reading project which is due on May 27. If you need a new paper or have questions please let me know.

Science: Our classroom has turned into a greenhouse, as we have begun our new unit on "The Earth, God's Garden." This week we planted dragon beans, dyed celery leaves, and started a sweet potato experiment.

Remember that library day is Wednesday!

#### **Grade 3 & 4** – Miss de Haan

Students came home with their own personal word wall folder last week. This is to assist your child in mastering the words. **Please do not discard this folder** as each week we will focus on a different section. For this week, we will review **F-L** and the review test will be on Thursday.

Bible Tests were completed this week and will come home today. Be sure to look in your child's folder.

Students are coming home with the poems completed for Grandparents/ Special Friends last week. Many students are excited to share/give these to their specific people. Wonderful job, Grade 3/4!

Reading Records for the month of May are due anytime on or before May 30. All students who complete this on time are exempt from completing one in June. ©

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
-Return folder		Library books	-Return Mad	
		due	Minutes	
			-Spelling Review	
			Tests F-L	

#### **Grade 5 & 6** – Mrs. Himanen

It has been nice to get back into a routine again and to cover more ground this week. Both classes are progressing wonderfully through the material! CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Sierra who has completed a third strip of book reading! She has now read 75 books! Wow! Way to go!

A letter was sent home this week regarding the Sexuality class which the grade sixes will be taking part in. Classes will begin next week with Mr. Himanen teaching the boys and me teaching the girls. Please feel free to call if you have any questions regarding this class.

In math the grade fives have almost completed chapter 10. They will write their unit test for this chapter on Tuesday next week. The next chapter they will study will be fractions. The grade sixes are zipping through the material covering fractions and will have their first test on that material on Tuesday, as well.

Students have eagerly been working on their group projects in Literature. We hope to begin presentations next week.

In Bible we have been taking a close look at The Ten Commandments and how to live life in obedience to them. We learned this week that the commandments are much more involved and cover a lot more than we originally thought!

We are still enjoying our study of electricity in Science. This week we tested different things to see which objects act as insulators and which ones act as conductors. Next week we will learn more about switches. There will be a mid-way test towards the end of the week.

Next Week:

Memory Work: The Ten Commandments

Tuesday: Math test - chapter 10 (grade fives) and

fractions (grade six)

Thursday and/or Friday: Science test (electricity)

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

**History:** Canada is now a new independent country and faces very different challenges in its attempts to grow and develop. Next week the class will begin to look at how Sir John A. MacDonald attempted to grow the country to a land stretching from sea to sea.

**Geography**: Next week the class will be learning about the different forces that shape the world that we live in. We will look at how mountains, plateaus etc. are formed.

**Science**: Next week the class will be learning about some of the vertebrates and the invertebrates in the animal kingdom and their role in the world that God created. We will also look at how the plant kingdom is classified.

**Memory work**- Wednesday, May 14: 1 Peter 1: 13

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

**AVI10**: Students are working on sculptures.

### **Music** – Mrs. Hawkins

- **Grade 1-2:** We sang animal songs and played rhythms and played games.
- **Grade 3-4:** Students played recorders and practiced rhythm compositions using instruments.
- **Grade 5-6:** Students worked on ukulele songs.
- **Grade 7:** Students will have a playing test next Wednesday on page 16 in *Band Today*.

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Name:	Phone Number:					
School grade in September 2014: Parents	S:					
Please fill out and return to the school by May 30, 2014. Thank you.						