



**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 very thankful that the rain held off in order that our students could enjoy the "Fun Afternoon", this past Wednesday. I was very impressed to see how our older students took our younger students by the hand and guided them through the different events that were arranged. It is on days like this that we are able to see many God given gifts of leadership emerge among our students, praise the Lord!



During the evening of the same day many parents attended the "Meet the Teacher Night" I enjoyed speaking with you all and I am sure our teachers enjoyed the time you spent together. Please, if ever you have any questions about what is happening in the classroom contact your child(ren's) teacher. Our teachers are always willing to meet and chat about what is happening in their classrooms.

Next week Thursday will be our first **early release day**. During this time the teachers will be meeting to explore two areas. First we will be examining the use of technology at our school. The process will begin by answering three questions:

1. What are you currently doing with technology?
2. What would you like to be doing?
3. What needs to take place in order for this to happen?

The lens by which we will be examining these questions will be what is best for our students to enhance their learning. The second area we will be examining is preplanning for our Christmas Program. Yes, I know it is only September, but in the world of school December comes very quick and it takes a lot of time to make a night such as this a beautiful experience for all.

Shalom, Andy Alblas

**Looking Ahead:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Sept 23</b>	- TRIP orders due 9:00 am - <b>Finance Meeting</b> 8:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Sept 24</b>	- Bazaar Meeting 8:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Sept 25</b>	- <b>Transportation Meeting</b> 9:00 am - Playgroup 10:00-12:00 pm - <b>Teachers Meeting</b> 3:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Sept 26</b>	- Early Release day (Students go home at 1:00 pm)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Sept 27</b>	- Picture Day* - School Chapel 2:50 pm - <b>Grade 8 Parent Meeting</b> 3:30 pm - TRIP Pick up 3:00 pm

## From our School Community:

**APPLE PIE FUNDRAISER:** Spread the word! The Booster Club will be hosting our annual apple pie fundraiser on Thursday, Oct. 3. As always, our delicious "school made" apple pies, at \$8.00 each, come 9", unbaked and ready for the oven or freezer. Order forms are coming home today with the oldest child or you can call Jackie Bakker at 475-9586 to place an order. Payment upon pickup starting at 12 noon in the school kitchen on Oct. 3

**PLAYGROUP** starts next week! Wednesday, September 25th from 10am to 12pm. All are welcome to come on out and enjoy a fun, friendly, faith based time of fellowship. Bring a friend! We are still looking for a few items for the room: a small microwave, CD player, dress up clothes, wooden puzzles, Christian story books, and a play kitchen. Any donation would be appreciated! A pamphlet is coming home today with the oldest child

**CHOCOLATE BAR SALES:** One box of 30 nut-free chocolate bars was sent home last Friday with every family in the school. The bars are sold for \$2.00 each and the money is returned to the school (either the office or the child's classroom). Last year our profit was over \$2,000.00. Profit from the sale goes towards field trips for JK-10, fun days, Field Day ribbons, trophies and other miscellaneous extras for the students.

*\*We encourage everyone to take part in the sale. The Chocolate Bar and Magazine Sales are the only fundraisers that contribute to Student Fund and every student benefits.\**

**HUSKY REBATE CARDS:** Husky/Mohawk gas stations are still offering us their rebate program. The more gas purchased, the higher the percentage of rebate received. Just go to a Husky gas station, fill up and before paying, give them your rebate card to swipe for savings. If you need a rebate card, please contact the school office.

**GR. 7 BAND:** Please bring your \$20.00 band fee to the office.

**PICTURE DAY SELECTION FORMS:** Picture Day is Friday, September 27. Please hand your completed selection forms in to your teacher as soon as possible even though the form states to bring them on Picture Day. Thank you.

**IMMUNIZATION FORMS:** Please fill out and return HEP B forms by **Monday, September 30** as the Health Unit nurse will be picking them up on October 2.

**TWICE AS NICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Hello everyone, I am Jenny Mol and have taken on the job of organizing the scheduling for volunteers at the Twice as Nice Thrift Store. The proceeds from this store benefit our school directly every month but in order for that continue and grow, we need more people to help out in the store. Please consider coming to the sorting on Monday evening at the school – 7 to 9 pm – or – sign up for a shift in the store during opening hours. For more information, or to get on the volunteer schedule, please contact me at [jhmol@tbaytel.net](mailto:jhmol@tbaytel.net) or by calling me at home at 475-6995.

**SCHOLASTIC:** Classroom flyers were sent home with your child yesterday or today. A special flyer will also be sent home with the oldest in each family today. If you wish to order from any of the flyers, please return to the school no later than Wednesday, September 25. Thank you.

### **THEME BULLETIN BOARD PHOTOS:**

Miss Baxter is gathering family photos for the front hallway bulletin board. I require nothing larger than a 4X6 photo. This photo should include all members of your family and can include others in your immediate family. If you do not want to supply us with a picture we will be writing your family name in place of it. Thank-you! We collected 50% of our families last year, which are hanging up. If you want to replaced it with an updated version; great!

**OCTOBER MILK FORMS** are attached to today's journal. Please return by Wednesday, September 25.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING** date has been set for November 4. Committee reports for the

membership meeting are due in to the school office by the morning of October 10.

## From the Classrooms:

### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

This past Wednesday we participated in Fun Day and I'm sure with some prompting, your son/daughter will let you in on some of the details regarding the activities at the different stations. It was a great opportunity to meet more of the older students in the school and build relationships!

If you haven't already sent in your photo form selecting your child's poses and background, please do so before Friday. Thanks!

#### Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday: Library Day

Friday: Picture Day

### Grade 1 & 2 – Miss Rekman

**Bible:** We are continuing our review of the first five books of the bible by reading and learning about the judges. Our memory work is Psalm 105:1-2. (We have already learned verse one). "Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts."

**Math:** Next week we are beginning our first unit on addition and subtraction. Students can be practicing these facts at home with flash cards. We will be learning some easy games at school, which can then be played at home too. Extra practice sheets will be sent home with students who need to work on their math facts.

#### **Language Arts:**

**Working With Words (WWW):** Our first quiz of the year went really well!

Some of the grade one students are challenging themselves by doing the grade two words- way to go! Here are the words for next week:

Grade 1: at, cat, pat, am, jam

Grade 2: at, that, what, have, art,

Challenge Words: party, having

**Writing:** Our first pen-pal letters were sent out to the grade one class at Brookfield Christian School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Students are so excited to share about Thunder Bay and our school, with our new friends.

**Special Reading and Writing Day:** Our first special day will be on Friday, September 28. A special reader will be coming in to read to us, we will play word games, and share stories. Students are allowed to bring in a pillow, blanket or stuffed animal (just one of these please!) to have with them during the day.

The reading logs will be finished in just one more week. Students are encouraged to read a minimum of 10 minutes each night. Please return this log by Oct. 1.

**Student Folders:** Students should be bringing their folders home each day and returning it to school the following day. Pinned to the folder is an agenda page which is a place for me to write notes home and for you the parents to write notes as well. Unfinished work will also be sent home in this folder for students to complete at home.

**Tumblebooks:** Tumblebooks is an online reading library, where students can listen to picture books being read and follow along with the words on the screen. If you would like the link to this resource please send me an email.

Reminder that Library Day is Wednesday!

**Fire Safety:** Students brought home their fire safety posters and an information paper yesterday. The theme for this year is safety in the kitchen.

Students should neatly finish these up at home. Please send the poster and information section to school by October 2.

If you need to reach me, my email is [marnierekman@gmail.com](mailto:marnierekman@gmail.com)

### Grade 3 & 4 – Miss. De Haan

This week the folder includes new Spelling words. Each week we also have a word “family” where words with a certain chunk are practiced. ***A list of a minimum of 10 words is due back each week by Tuesday. Don't forget to find some multi-syllable words!*** We will also review the 5 main words from the previous week. **Please note an important change from now on: \*\*the Spelling Test will now occur on Thursdays.**

A Reading Log will be sent home today. (Believe it or not, students have been asking for this!). Please fill in the sheet and remind your child to return it each week. We have started a new “Bonus Buck” program and students who complete this sheet weekly will be “paid” for their work. There is a section underneath the form for each book to write a summary of the book. Completing this section results in a bonus! ☺

An information sheet regarding a Fire Poster Contest is being sent home today. If you are interested in having your child enter, please follow the instructions as listed on this sheet.

### Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

It was wonderful to see so many of you parents at the “Meet the Teacher” evening. I so enjoyed talking with you and answering your questions regarding the grade five and six curriculum and your son/daughter’s progress thus far!

It has been another fantastic week in our class - things are running very smoothly and students have been working very hard and participating very well in all activities. I am very pleased that the students are regularly and conscientiously finishing their homework assignments on time.

We really had fun this week participating in “Fun Day”. It was so fun to participate in different activities and to get to know each other better.

Some highlights this week in our classroom:  
-starting Mad Minutes (we are a little out of practice! ☹)

-reading in our Bibles about the covenant God made with Noah

-having a literature comprehension test

-deciding the beginning, middle and end of our rough copy stories

-working together in teams for Fun Day

#### Reminders:

Tuesday: Return “word family/chunk” homework

Wednesday: Return all library books

Thursday: Spelling tests

Thank you, organizers and team leaders, for making this event possible!

The grade five and six classes are full of voracious readers! CONGRATULATIONS, Sierra on already finishing a strip of book reading! (25 books!) Wow!

In Bible we are learning about what God’s story in the Bible is all about. It is a collection of 66 books that really tells one story of man’s fall into sin and God’s plan to rescue His people from sin.

In Science we are learning about light. This week we learned about objects that are opaque (that absorb and reflect light), transparent (that transmit light), and translucent ( that transmit some light and

reflect some light but in a scattered manner).

There has been a lot of new vocabulary for the students to learn, but they are managing very well!

In Grammar both classes wrote their quiz on capitalization. Please check your child's folder to see sheets and tests which are marked and returned so that you can be aware of his/her progress.

**Next week:**

Memory Work: Proverbs 3: 9-10

SCIENCE - Students will be making periscopes in the near future. To do this we require small mirrors. If anyone has small mirrors that we can borrow, it would be much appreciated.

Tuesday- Math Test - Grade Five - Chapter 1

Wednesday - Math Test - Grade Six - Chapter 1

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

**History:** Next week the class will be looking at the relationship the colony had with the new country of the United States. We will study how the British colony and the U.S. did not always agree on a lot of things.

**Science:** Next week the class will be creating more solutions, and as part of this activity will be preparing to create their own brand new flavor of pop

**Bible:** The class will be looking at the ministry of the 'Singer' and how he went out to the people who did not want to hear the 'song' that he was singing.

**Math:** Grade 7 has a test on Thursday

**Geography:** Next week the class will be working on some mapping skills as part of their unit.

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

**Math:** Grade nine is working on exponents, integers and order of operations. Grade 10 is working on solving linear systems using a variety of methods.

**AVI 10:** Students continued working through a unit on the elements of design.

**Music – Mrs. Hawkins**

**Grade 1-2:** Students had a chance to play with rhythm instruments this week. We are continuing our study of keeping a beat while learning new action songs.

**Grade 5-6:** Students continued to learn about note reading in the treble clef.

**Grade 3-4:** Students were introduced to Boomwhackers and playing on barred instruments. They also practised note reading.

**Grade 7:** Remember your instruments for Monday's class.

## Mini-Minutes for September 17<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors Meeting

1. **OPENING DEVOTIONS** by Andy Alblas and he reads from Proverbs 1:7. We also sang the song, Be Unto Your Name, with Andy leading us on guitar.
2. **Present:** Andy Alblas, Darryl Staal, John Meijaard, Richard Veurink, Ed Breukelman, Amy Breukelman, Ed Van Voort, Lauri Fieldhouse, Fred Van Elburg, Dan Breukelman
3. James Collie from the TAN investor's group met with the Board to discuss the investor's contributions to the store. The Board would once again like to thank the investor's for their generous support.
4. **Executive report** - nominations for board school are presented and a membership package will be going home in the next couple of weeks. The Board encourages members to consider letting their name stand for the Board of Directors.
5. **Motion 7.66** by Amy Breukelman and Richard Veurink for school to purchase and implement ABC Jesus Loves Me' curriculum for Playgroup. Carried
6. **Motion 7.71** by Dan Breukelman and Lauri Fieldhouse to accept Kris and Nita Tuutilla and their children, Kieryn (gr. 4) and Madisyn (Gr. 3) to the school. Carried. **Motion 7.72** by Amy Breukelman and Lauri Fieldhouse to accept Karen Smids and daughter Isabel (JK). Carried.
7. **Motion 7.73** to accept Linda Merwin and Jennifer Small to the Booster club committee by Dan Breukelman and Lauri Fieldhouse. Carried
8. Fall membership meeting date – November 4<sup>th</sup> 2013
9. Next Board of Director's meeting – October 15, 2013
10. Motion to adjourn by Ed Breukelman and closing prayer by Richard Veurink.