



***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,

Fall is officially here. The leaves are changing, the smell of apple pies (Thanks booster club) will soon linger IN our halls, and the weather is also allowing us to put on our favourite sweater once again. Yes, our God is an amazing God who works the changing of the seasons to his Glory.

For our new families, the month of October brings a few breaks for your children from school. Please see the new October calendar for full details. I also ask that you mark down Oct 21 and 22, as days to meet with Teachers. We will be having parent/teacher conferences. On October 18 a short interim report will go home to give you a little background as to how your child(ren) are doing during the first 7 weeks of school. A form will be sent home next week Friday that will allow you to sign up for time slots. In the mean while, enjoy some of the pictures from last week's Fun Afternoon.



Shalom,  
Andy Alblas

**Looking Ahead:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Sept 30</b>	- TRIP orders due 9:00 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Oct 1</b>	- Meeting to talk about school uniforms 10 am
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Oct 2</b>	- Library day
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Oct 3</b>	- Apple Pie Day
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Oct 4</b>	- TRIP Pickup 3:00 pm

## From our School Community:

**Welcome** Kris and Nita Tuuttila and their children, Kiernyn (Gr. 4) and Madisyn (Gr. 3) to our school community.

**Apple Pie Orders** have been very "fruitful". Over 150 pies ordered so far. The cutoff is 180 pies so if you or anyone you know would still like to order contact Jackie Bakker at 475-9586 or jrranch@tbaytel.net.

**TRIP Orders:** An order was filled out on Sept. 16 that does not have a name on it. The order came to \$150.00 and included \$100.00 for Superstore and \$50.00 for Shoppers. Please call the office so the earnings can be put to your account.

**TBCS Phone Book** was sent home with your child today. Be sure to look for it and check that your information is accurate.

### **Playgroup News**

It was a great turnout for our first playgroup of the school year! We had a wonderful time of fellowship and fun! Thanks to those who came out. All are welcome to join us next Wednesday, October 2nd at 10am to 12pm.

\*The playgroup room is still looking for a small microwave, play kitchen and volunteers for baking! Contact Kerri-Ann Pinta for any questions or donations.

### **Cross Country Running:**

It's been great to see a wide range of students coming out for the morning runs. An information sheet went home today with any students wishing to participate in the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Thunderwolves Mid-Canada Elementary Schools Run on Saturday, October 19. (The girls start at 10am and the boys at 10:30am.) The run is approximately 3 kilometers doing a loop around the golf course and ending at the L.U. Fieldhouse. If you did not receive a sheet today and are interested, please ask for one next week. Thanks!

**BAZAAR 2013** – The Bazaar Committee is gearing up for another exciting Bazaar and Auction on Thursday November 21 and Friday November 22. We will be emphasizing family games and fun! New games, themed rooms and auction items are already coming together. Stay tuned to your journal/bulletin for more information as it unfolds! Contact any Bazaar Committee member with your ideas or suggestions. Aaron Breukelman, Lorrie Dykstra, Dini Makkinga, Joel Veurink, Deb Streutker, Henry Streutker, Martin Bolt, Kevin Mol, Mark Bolt, Dave DeJong, Sharon Breukelman and Jolene Makkinga

**MOM'S Pantry Fundraising:** Students in Grade 8 will be raising money for their trip to Toronto by selling MOM's Pantry Products. If one of them calls you, look over the order form of high quality baking supplies, soup, gravy bases, spices and frozen products. All orders and payments need to be in the office by Thursday, October 17 and expected delivery date is Thursday, November 7. Forms will also be available at the school office and orders can be placed on line. Payment can be cash, cheque (payable to TBCS Student Fund), or by Visa/Mastercard, American Express-fill in the portion on the form. Thank you for your support!

**Membership Meeting** 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**.

**School Uniforms:** Those interested in exploring the possibility of school uniforms are invited to meet on Tuesday, October 1st at 10am in the Playgroup room.

Anyone with ideas and/or interested in helping please join us. Contact Kristy Staal with any questions or concerns.

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

**Chocolate Bar Sale:** Only 20 boxes remaining at the school. The total to be handed in to the office is \$60.00 for each box of 30/\$2.00 each. Thanks!

## From the Classrooms:

### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

We are finishing up our Creation unit this week with the completion of our class book and are just wrapping up an art project based on Noah and the flood.

Only a couple days left in September so that means an October newsletter and calendar will be coming home today. Please let me know if you didn't receive one. Thanks!

### Grade 1 & 2 – Miss Rekman

**Bible:** We are finishing our first unit which is a review of the Bible from creation to kings. Next week we will learn about Saul, David, and Solomon.

**Memory Work:** Psalm 105:3: Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**Reading:** A big thank you to Mrs. Van Voort for reading to our class on the first Special Reading and Writing Day of the year. We will have another day like this at the end of October. September reading logs should be handed in no later than the end of week, Oct. 4. New October reading logs will be sent home on Monday. Students are encouraged to read more than 10 minutes each day.

**Working With Words:**

Grade 1: had, mad, bag, as, was,

Grade 2: day, away, played, last, fast

Challenge Words: Monday, always

**Math:** We are continuing to work on simple addition and subtraction.

Students who need more practice will receive worksheets to be completed at home. All students are encouraged to practice by using flashcards. A good set of these can be found at the dollar store. There will be a short quiz on Friday to check what we have learned so far.

**Social Studies:** We have wrapped up our unit on Weather and will be moving to a unit on our home and school communities. This unit is based on 1 Corinthians 12: 12-26.

Reminder ! Library day is Wednesday!

### Grade 3 & 4 – Miss. De Haan

This week we welcomed two new students into our classroom ~ Kiernyn and Madisyn Tuuttila. We are glad that you have joined us!

This week the folder includes new Memory Work and 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 share our words with each other and add to the

homework list. The revised list is then sent home to practice for the test on Thursday. We also review the 5 main words from the previous week.

The weekly folder also contains Bible review sheets. Please help your child prepare (ie. "study!") for our test on **Tuesday**. Thank you.

A Reading Log will be sent home today. Please remind your child to return it each week on **Thursday** (even if the chapter book isn't completely

finished). It will be returned after checking the progress. The form has room for two books but if your child is reading longer chapter books, please do not feel pressure to complete both. If the chapter books are smaller (under 100 pages), then please aim to read more. Thank you for your help.

A Mad Minute pack is coming home today with your child. Please return the completed pages by **Thursday**.

Some highlights this week in our classroom:  
-counting patterns on a hundred chart  
-completing a Bible review for our first unit

-starting a new story in our Literature books ("Granddaddy's Place")  
-playing Spelling Battleship to review our word wall words

Dates to Remember:

Tuesday: Return "word family/chunk" homework

Bible Test (review papers are coming home in the folder today!)

Wednesday: Return all library books

Thursday: Spelling tests  
Reading Log  
Mad Minute packs

## Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

The weeks are flying by and we are beginning to really get into the meat and potatoes of the curriculum. The grade fives are doing great at picking up the routine and keeping up with the pace! Way to go! The grade sixes have been great models for the grade fives to follow!

Our class is thoroughly enjoying the writing of Frank Peretti in the book that I am reading called Trapped at the Bottom of the Sea. It is a story that parallels the story of Job. Lila has been in a plane crash and is trapped at the bottom of the sea in a weapons pod. While in the pod she comes to grips with her own disobedience in running from God. We are eagerly waiting to see whether she gets rescued from the pod before the enemies capture it and the U.S. Army is forced to destroy it because it contains a very powerful laser weapon that can not be allowed into enemy hands! It is so fun to see the students get so "into" an exciting book and to also be able to have God's truths shared as part of the story!

Also in Literature, we looked at a short story and a poem dealing with the themes of apathy and jumping to conclusions when there are situations that we do not like to deal with. In "Not Our Problem" we saw how one small action could set off a chain of events that leads to destruction and

chaos. We discussed God's command to love one another and his desire that we be our "brother's keeper". When we do these things we can better work towards peace.

Both classes finished the first chapter in math this week and wrote the chapter test. Progress was great and students learned a lot about patterns. The concepts learned in this first chapter will often be used when learning future mathematical concepts. Students are encouraged to continue to practice basic math skills such as doubling numbers, adding money, and addition and multiplication math facts. These skills will be used extensively throughout the year.

For science we will be needing 2 Litre milk/juice cartons so we can experiment with light and reflection by making periscopes. If you have any empty cartons, we would really appreciate you sending them in. Thanks!

Next Week:

Proverbs 3:9-10

Friday - Science title page due

**Miss Baxter (Gr. 5/6 Computers):** We are currently working new computer terminology and typing skills.

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

**History:** Next week we will begin to look at a group of people called the Loyalists and how they played a role in the development of the colony.

**Geography:** The students are working on creating a collage of the different biomes that have been introduced at the beginning of the school year.

**Science:** Next week the students will be working on creating their own new flavor of pop in the science lab. They are also working creating a poster as a promotion of their new flavor.

**Bible:** The class is listening to the story of the Singer and learning about the symbolism that is found in the story. The students are responding in a journal writing what they feel the story represents. Next week we will be learning more about different people that the Singer meets in his travels, and we will be looking at how the Singer responds to them.

**Language Arts:** We are working on short stories. Our focus has been on plot, character, and setting.

**Art:** The 7/8's are working on knowing and applying the elements of design in their communication about specific art pieces.

**Math:** Grade 7 will be learning about Prime Factors, Greatest Common Factor (GCF), Lowest Common Multiples (LCM), and Exponents over the next couple of weeks.

Grade 8 will be learning about exponents, squares roots, composite and prime numbers, greatest common factor (GCF), and Lowest common Multiple (LCM) over the next couple of weeks.

**Computers:** The students are currently using a photo editing program to create animations depicting who they are.

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

**Art:** Students worked on texture compositions this week.

**Bible:** Our focus is still on the intertestamentary period.

**English:** We are done the first part of "To Kill a Mockingbird".

## Music – Mrs. Hawkins

**Grade 1-2:** Students enjoyed learning new action songs this week.

**Grade 3-4:** Students were introduced to Carnegie Hall's program called *Link Up*. Students will be guided through a year long exploration of orchestral repertoire and discover how melodies are made and how composers and orchestras use melodies to sing. This PBL culminates in a daytime concert in April where students play and sing alongside the Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra.

**Grade 5-6:** Students continued learning how to read notes on the staff. They also played a few games that tested their ability to keep a consistent beat.

**Grade 7:** Students made it through the first page of the method this week! They are also trying hard to follow routines and expectations of band class. Some students need help to remember that they need to have their instruments at school on Monday and Wednesday. I have no extra instruments and students get pretty bored when they must sit in class with nothing to do but listen to everybody else play.