



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:

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Growing and Learning at TBCS

Shalom,
Andy Alblas

Looking Ahead:

Monday	Oct 14	- No School (Thanksgiving)	
Tuesday	Oct 15	- TRIP Any time orders only - Board Meeting	8:00 pm
Wednesday	Oct 16	- Pictures order forms are due - Library Day - Playgroup	10:00-12:00
Thursday	Oct 17	- Mom's Pantry Forms are due	
Friday	Oct 18	- Chapel - Interim Reports go home	9:00 am

From our School Community:

French Maternity Leave Position: We are pleased to announce that the Board has approved the hiring of Mrs. Diana Hamilton as the new French teacher, while Mrs. Alex Baxter is on maternity leave. We look forward to having her bless our school with her gifts. She is tentatively beginning early November. Praise God for His faithfulness! We wish the very best to Mrs. Baxter as she and her husband prepare for their child in the next number of weeks.

Playgroup News: This week we had a little messy fun painting Thanksgiving pumpkins! Come out next Wednesday from 10am to 12pm to see what is new and BLUE! Everyone is welcome! Even if your children are in school and you'd just like to meet some friendly faces then this is a great way to get to know other parents from school and the community.



Parent/Teacher Conference forms were to be in to the office by Oct. 10. Please hand in your time selection forms as soon as possible so the schedule can be completed and sent out on Friday, Oct. 18. The office will assign time slots to families that have not handed in their forms by Wednesday.

Mom's Pantry Orders are due on **Thursday, Oct. 17.**

Picture order forms are due in to the school office by **Wednesday, Oct. 16.** Retakes are scheduled for **Wednesday, Oct. 30.**

Cross Country Running: Next week will be the last two practices before the LU Thunderwolves run. Jerseys will be distributed next week. I look forward to seeing you all there every morning, rain or shine!

Twice as Nice Thrift store is currently seeking applicants for the position of assistant manager. Applicants should have relevant retail experience, be flexible and enjoy working with the public, other volunteers and manager. The successful applicant who will fill this part time position will have up to 20 hours per week with flexible hours. **The Twice as Nice Thrift Store sells quality gently used items such as clothing, appliances, furniture and so much more. All earnings from the thrift store go directly to the Thunder Bay Christian School budget.**

Interested applicants may submit a resume along with cover letter and a statement- of-faith to Dan Breukelman at dan.breukelman.tbcs@gmail.com or 474-3224 by October 23, 2013. Applications may also be dropped off at our Twice As Nice location on May St. If you have any other questions, you may contact any of the committee members.

A poster for a 'Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale'. The top part features a stack of pancakes on the left and the text 'All You Can Eat PANCAKE Breakfast & Bake Sale'. Below this, it says 'November 2, 2013, 7:30 - 11:00am'. It is hosted by Grade 8 students to raise funds for a Toronto trip. Pricing is listed as 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. The event is at Thunder Bay Christian School, 37 Cooper Road, off Hwy 130, next to the OPP station. The school's logo is at the bottom left of the poster.

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TRIP News: Anytime orders only for the next two shortened school weeks. The next long order will be on the week of October 28.

Chocolate Bar Sale: Only **12** boxes of left. Please help us wrap up this fundraiser soon.

Bazaar 2013: Looking for Vendors! Do you have your own home business or know someone that does? Are you a vendor at a Farmers Market or sell your homegrown vegetables or meat? Please contact Lorrie Dykstra 626-2765. There will be a "Market and Vendor" room this year at the Bazaar.

The Bazaar Committee has been contacting many businesses for donations, we are asking each family to donate a new item or a service that can either be sold at the bazaar or put in the auction. The service can be anything that you think others would be interested in – house cleaning, dinner party etc. Watch out for sales and deals, partner up with another family to expand your buying options. Any item big or small will be appreciated.

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!

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

We followed in the footsteps of Abraham, continued working on the printing of our names, counted/recognized numbers with a tens frame and kicked off our Three Little Pigs mini theme. We constructed our very own straw, stick and brick houses to use in our retelling of the different

stories and completed a number of Thanksgiving activities to thank our Heavenly Father for the abundance of blessings He has bestowed on each of us.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Grade 1 & 2 – Miss Rekman

Here is what we will be learning the week of October 15-18:

Bible: We will be reading and learning about the Prophets Elijah and Elisha.

Memory Work: Jeremiah 10:6 "No one is like you, O Lord; you are great, and your name is mighty in power."

Language Arts:

Working With Words: Here are the words for the week. Our quiz will be Wednesday October 23.

Grade 1: sit, his, it, is, did, hit

Grade 2: fix, pick, kicked, trip, into, with
challenge: sister, family

Reading: We have been learning about the different kinds of connections that we can make while reading. Next we will work on orally retelling the sequence of events in a story.

Writing: For the past few weeks we have been working on narrative writing.

Next week we will be taking our favourite piece of writing and turning it into a good copy. We will make a rubric together as a class, so students will know the expectations for the assignment.

Math: We are wrapping up our first unit on addition and subtraction. A quiz will be given on Wednesday October 16 on all of the concepts learned.

On Thursday we will begin learning about Geometry and Measurement.

French: So far we have learned how to say hello, how they are feeling and the actions for eight verbs. Students have also learned how to count to 20 in French, so ask your son or daughter to share that with you!

Grade 3 & 4 – Miss de Haan

This week the folder includes several new things that will be coming home with your child: Spelling words, Reading Log, and new Mad Minute packs. Also, be sure to see how your child did on his/her Spelling Test and Math Test (Gr. 3)!

Grade 4's have now also completed a review of our first Math unit this week on patterning. The textbook and review sheets will come home today and the test will likely be either Wednesday or Thursday next week. Extra practice may be found on pages 22-23 in the textbook.

Some highlights this week in our classroom:
-learning how fully Abram trusted in God to lead him despite uncertainty
-working with a buddy to analyze a literature story and give opinions

-working on our planet presentations and making badges, going on a space "scavenger hunt" and doing an experiment outside to try and imagine the size of the solar system (we took paces to measure the distance between planets with models at one billionth the size of the real solar system)
-rotating around stations to practice our word wall words in different ways

Dates to Remember:

Tuesday: Return "word family/chunk" homework
Return folders

Wednesday: Return all library books
Return Math textbooks (Gr. 4)

Thursday: Spelling tests
Mad Minute packs due

Friday: Reading Logs due

Grade 5 & 6 – Mrs. Himanen

This week our class had more fun enjoying the fantastic weather outside and learning the game of football! We also had fun in science learning about reflection and making periscopes to see how reflection can be applied in practical ways. In grammar, students in both grades wrote their first unit test and did a fantastic job on it! In literature we listened to part of the very famous speech given on August 28, 1963, by Martin Luther King Jr. called: *I Have a Dream*. We also read a story about a group of people who were confronted with their race prejudices and who were reminded that we are all made in God's image. God is not concerned about our outward appearance but looks at our heart. We are almost finished units in literature and Bible, so there will be unit tests in these subject areas next week. Our next unit in literature will be a novel study on *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Also, for literature, students were given their first book report sheet to fill in. One written and one oral book report are the requirements for each month (125-150 pages depending on grade level) Many students have already completed their first oral book report for

October, and several have even finished their written report. Way to go! As a class we did some calculations and realized that in order to complete the minimum requirements, it is only necessary to read between 8-10 pages every day (which doesn't seem so daunting when presented in that manner). CONGRATULATIONS to Aimee who has finished reading a strip of 25 books! Terrific!

Next Week:

Memory Work: Genesis 12:1-3

Tuesday: Journal entry due (Kind "touches")

Wednesday - Bible Test - Unit 1

Thursday - Literature Test - Theme: Seeds of Peace

Friday - Spelling Test - Unit 6 (Back up review unit-study the words from the last 5 lessons)

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

History: With the immigration of the Loyalists from the Thirteen Colonies due to the American Revolution the colony has very quickly become a much more British colony. We will look at how this affected the relationship between the French and the English, and the problems this may have created.

Geography: The class will be beginning their next unit on the Coniferous Forest biome. The students will look more closely at the climate, vegetation, animals, resources, and people that live in this biome.

Science: Next week the class will be having a quiz on their Solutions unit. Students will need to remember the definitions of the different terms learned in our study of Solutions.

Bible: The Singer has entered the great city, and not everyone is happy with the 'song' that he is singing. We will look at what happens to the Singer as a result of this conflict next week.

Memory work- Wednesday October 16 - Psalm 107:1

Language Arts: We have been working on constructing powerful sentences. Our next focus is specifically writing setting into our own writing. Spelling tests are every Thursday.

Math: Grade 7 will have a test on Thursday.

Art: We have focused on colour in the past couple week and we will now focus on another element of design.

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

AV10: Students worked on a painting project this week.

Bible: We are comparing the Gospels.

English: We are continuing with *To Kill a Mockingbird*. The students are working away on this school year's first Eagles' Eye.

Music – Mrs. Hawkins

Grade 1-2: We sang songs for Thanksgiving this week and played a game called "Five Fat Turkeys".

Grade 5-6: "Good Children Eat Apples" are the names of the strings on our new ukuleles. Students had the opportunity to learn a little bit about playing ukuleles this week.

Grade 3-4: We continued learning music for Link Up and had time for a reading music on the staff game.

Grade 7 Band: Students can play three notes so far. Please take time to practise over the long weekend. Work on pages 6 and 7.

French – Madame Baxter

Grade 4: The fourth grade class will have their first unit test on Wednesday October 16th. They have brought home two study sheets and their workbook. Please go over Unit one and quiz them. They are very good!

Grade 5: The fifth grade class wrote their first unit test on Thursday this week. They did very well! We will be starting unit 2 next week.

Grade 7: The seventh grade class will be completing their first unit test next week on Thursday October 17th. Please make sure they are prepared☺ Study sheets and workbooks will be sent home.

Grade 8: The grade eight class will be completing their first unit test on Thursday October 17th. They will come home with their study sheets and workbooks to review. Great work class!

