



GET OUT OF THE BOAT

"Come", he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus." Matthew 14:29

Bible Text for the Week: *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow His precepts have good understanding. To Him belongs eternal praise." Ps. 111:10*



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Looking Ahead:

Monday	Sept 8	- TRIP Orders due	9:00 am
Tuesday	Sept 9	- Board Nominations due	
Wednesday	Sept 10	- Library - Lice Check - Immunization forms due (Gr. 7/8)	
Thursday	Sept 11	-	
Friday	Sept 12	- TRIP Pickup - Fun Afternoon	3:00 pm

From Our School Community:

Chocolate Bar Sales will begin next week with one box per family being sent home on Friday, September 12, with the oldest child in each family. 75 boxes were again ordered this year which is equivalent to 1 1/2 boxes per family. This is the biggest fundraiser for student fund resources which goes directly back to each student for various activities. Two thirds of the boxes will contain nut products. These will be safely stored unopened in the principal's office at the school. The boxes will be given to the bus drivers to give out to the children when they exit the bus in order to ensure the boxes remain sealed on the buses as well.

TBCS T.R.I.P. Tuition Reduction Incentive Program: This is an easy way to reduce your tuition by purchasing gift certificates to pay for your everyday shopping. The gift certificates are purchased at face value but the school purchases them at a lower percentage. You accumulate the percentage throughout the school year and it is paid out to you to apply to your 1st post-dated cheque for the 2015-2016 school year. You can also apply it to your last payment for the 2014- 2015 school year if you will be finishing at TBCS. The average family earns between \$300-\$1000 dollars. The more family and friends you have helping you, the faster your earnings grow. ANYTIME ORDERS are available any school day. TRIP "It Takes a Week" orders will start September 8 - 9am sharp. New order forms and re-registration forms are attached to today's journal.

Journal Attachments: September calendar, 2014/2015 school calendar, TRIP forms and fall hot lunch forms are attached to today's journal.

From our School Community Continued:

Bus Etiquette: Please call your bus driver in the morning if your child will **not** be on the bus. You can also call the family who is picked up before yours, so those children can inform the bus driver not to wait at your stop. Bus driver phone numbers are as follows: City (Tiger)-Ken Semeschuk-cell 472-3094/home 344-7001, Slate River (Cow)-Jenny Groenheide- cell 620-6489/home 475-3138, and Kakabeka/Murillo (Giraffe)-Jeannette Meijaard-cell 629-0322/home 475-8325. You can also call the office during the day if your child will not be on the bus after school and a message will be left for the driver. Thanks.

Nominations To TBCS School Board: Three vacancies are anticipated this coming year. Ed Van Voort, Lauri Fieldhouse and Darryl Staal will have completed their three year term. The Board, acting as a nominating committee, would like names presented from the membership for consideration. Please submit names in written format to a Board member before September 9. Please confirm with nominee their acceptance of being nominated. The Board will be presenting a slate of candidates prior to the Annual Fall Membership meeting at which election of Board members will take place.

Playgroup News: Playgroup will be starting up on Wednesday, September 24th from 10am-12pm. You can join us even if you don't have pre-school aged children. Come out and meet some new friends! **If anyone is interested in being the volunteer coordinator/contact person for Playgroup, please let the office know.**

Notice: A lice check will be held here at the school on Wednesday, September 10.

Three Cheers For Playground Volunteers! You provide a valuable service to the students of TBCS. You help keep them safe on the playground, give teachers extra time to help students catch up on work, and allow staff time to set up for special activities. Your assistance is invaluable. Thank you for your willingness and time. **Please call the school office if you are willing to volunteer as the coordinator for the playground schedule.**

Piano Lessons for September 2014-June 2015 are still available for anyone wishing to register their child. Cost is \$12 for a 20 minute lesson and \$18 for a 30 minute lesson. A form is available at the end of the journal for you to cut off, fill in and return to the office.

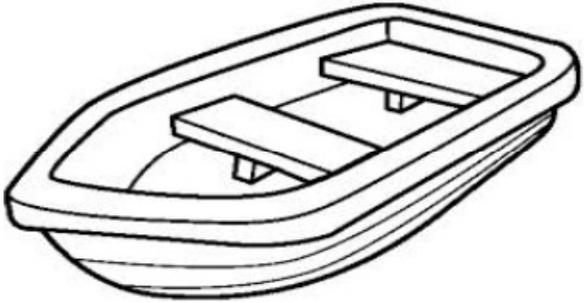
Immunization Forms for Grade 7/8 students were sent home today with your child. Please read through the information attached to the forms, fill out and return to the school office by **Wednesday, September 10**. All forms need to be handed back in. The health unit representative will be picking them up early on Thursday.

Hot Lunch Forms: Please return hot lunch forms along with payment by next Friday, September 12. Cash or cheque are accepted for payment. Please make cheques payable to TBCS Booster Club. Also please record on your home calendar the hot lunch dates and what you ordered so you remember not to pack a full lunch on those days.

Library: Welcome back! Another year will be starting in the Library on Wednesday, September 10. I am looking forward to a year full of 'Perfect Library Days' and well taken care of books. See you all next Wednesday. Debby Vanderwees

Paper Journals are coming home today for the families who requested them last year. If anyone else would like one sent home with their oldest child on Fridays, please contact the office.

Thunder Bay Christian is about to "Get Out of the Boat" and here's how...



Partnering with New Life Ministries - New Life Ministries is a new Christian ministry that provides a safe place for women to experience the love of Christ, heal from the past and move forward with hope and confidence for the future. For more details go to www.newlifeministriesthunderbay.org.
Hotel Bottle and Soap collection – We will begin on Monday collecting any of these items that you may have currently at your home or will attain as you travel throughout the school year. Let's see how quickly we can fill up the boat by the front entrance of the school.

More events coming soon:

- Duck Dynasty Day on Friday, October 10. Come dressed in your best camouflage gear.
- Backwards Day (right before the time change weekend) on Friday, October 31. Yes, you read that right, put your clothes on backwards that day to help us remember that the clocks will fall BACK on Saturday night.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

This week we began the creation story and manipulated darkness and light with a classroom experiment. Ask your child for the details! We also began activities based on Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault's Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. We compared this book to Revelation 1:8 with God saying He is the beginning and the end of all things and also learned that "alpha" and "omega" are the first and last letters in the Greek alphabet.

A large packet (including the September newsletter and calendar) came home with your child on Tuesday. If you haven't already done so, please return the magazine forms simply with a signature and we can receive free classroom materials. Thanks!

Up and Coming....

Monday - Our first SK only day!

Friday – Fun Day Afternoon

Grade 1 & 2 – Miss Rekman

It was such a fun first week in grade 1/2! We enjoyed reading books, listening to stories of summer vacation, and meeting all of our new classmates. Thanks to parents for sending in all those school supplies and the *Highlights* forms.

Here is a little about what we will be learning next week:

Bible: We began from the book of Genesis by reading the stories of Adam, Eve and Noah. The memory work is Psalm 119:105 "Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." (NIV)

Math: We are starting with our first unit on sorting and patterning.

Word Work: For the first weeks of the year students will be learning five sight words each week. As the lists are individual they will be glued into the agendas on Mondays.

Reading: Please keep reading at home and filling in your September reading log. A reminder that if students would like to borrow some classroom books, please send a note.

Social Studies: Our first unit is "Mapping my Neighbourhood." We are learning about the features of a map and Thunder Bay.

Grade 3 & 4 – Miss de Haan

We have completed our first week back at school! A parent letter went home on the first day of school. Please let me know if you did not receive one.

Thank you to those who returned the various Highlights forms. Please return these sheets as soon as possible so we may receive free items for the classroom. Thank you again.

Important Notice TBCS Gym shirts are not required in Grades 3 and 4.

Word Wall words are coming home for each grade today. Please help your child practice and make words in the word "family" or "chunk" for the week. A list with a minimum of 10 words is due on Tuesday. The test will take place on Thursday.

Our first Memory Work of the year will be our theme verse: Matthew 14:29 ... "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus." This will be due Wednesday, September 17.

Mrs. Hawkins -Grade 3/4 Writing: Students learned about classroom procedures and started a book called "All About Me".

Welcome to grades five and six! It's been a FABULOUS week and the classes have enjoyed reuniting with their friends back at school again. The grade fives moved over to a new section of the school and are having fun with their grade six friends again. They are also having fun getting used to using locks and lockers! Routines are developing well. Of course the grade six class is feeling very comfortable with the routines. They have been a great help in guiding the grade fives, but the grade fives have certainly settled in very nicely! In our class this week we have enjoyed many introductory activities and have plunged into the curriculum as well. We had fun sharing descriptive adjectives to describe what makes each of us "super", began learning about patterns in math, read a story about learning how to accept others who are different from us, started the first spelling unit, and played fun games in the gym.

Just a few bits of information to pass on...

-The following teachers will also be teaching the grade 5/6 class: Mrs. Hawkins (music, computer, art) and Mrs. Hamilton (French) Should you have any questions regarding those subject areas, please feel free to contact the appropriate teacher.

-P.E. (Gym) is on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Girls need to have a hair tie to wear their hair back for gym class so their hair doesn't always fall in their face during exercise. Athletic socks (rather than the thin nylon ones) would be a good idea to wear on these days to cushion the foot and prevent blisters.

-Weekly spelling lessons are due on the Thursday of each week and dictations are on Fridays.

-Library is on Wednesdays.

-Memory Work is due to be recited on Fridays (or earlier) - Students generally have 1-2 weeks/passages depending on its length.

-Weekly penmanship assignments are always due on the last day of the week or earlier.

-Agendas were given out which the students use to record homework assignments and other important messages. We take time each day to write in our agendas. Please help make sure your child uses his/her agenda - that he/she checks what is written in it and completes homework assignments on time.

**Thank you for so promptly sending in school supplies - some students still need to gather a few items and bring them to school but most items are here! Wonderful!

Mrs. Hawkins-5/6 Computers: Students started a mini unit on internet safety.

Mrs. Hawkins- Art 5/6: Students learned about symmetry by making designs using their names.

Next Week:

Memory Work: Matthew 14:29

Monday: Literature picture due

Thursday: Spelling Unit 1 due

Friday: Spelling dictation - Unit 1

Memory work and penmanship due

FUN DAY!

Mr. Himanen:

Science 7/8-The first unit the class will be studying this year is a unit on cells. Next week the students will be learning about the different parts of both the animal and the plant cells and how each of these parts function to allow the cell to live. The students will also be learning about the different kinds of organs and organisms that are made up of cells.

Bible 7/8-The students have begun their first unit entitled 'Tell Me the Secrets'. The students are learning about the different things that can bring us real joy and happiness in life.

History 7/8-The first unit the class will be covering this year is the Reformation. The students will be learning about the different characters that were involved in the reforming of the church, and the issues that led to this desire for changes within the church.

Geography 7/8-Next week the class will be learning about the climate conditions found in the tropical rainforest.

Memory Work 7/8-Friday September 12 - Colossians 3:13

Mrs. Voortman-English, Math: We had a fantastic week together getting to know each other and getting back into the swing of things! In our classroom we are emphasizing being Christ-like in all we say or do. We look forward to our first "official" leadership role next week as we lead the student body in Fun Day next Friday.

In Math we have started out on working on Number Connections. Ask your student about the various different things we have been introduced to which make our math learning fun! In language arts we started by working on some spelling and grammar. If you have any comments or concerns please email me at voortmans@tbaytel.net anytime.

Mrs. Hawkins- Art: Students worked on their folders this week.

Music – Mrs. Hawkins

Students participated in opening activities this week while learning music class procedures.