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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

"Another Year is Dawning"

*Another year is dawning! Dear Father, let it be,
In working or in waiting, another year with Thee;
Another year of leaning upon Thy loving breast,
Another year of trusting, of quiet, happy rest.*

*Another year of mercies, of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness in the shining of Thy face;
Another year of progress, another year of praise,
Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.
(#475 Psalter Hymnal vs. 1&2)*

Looking Ahead:

Monday	Jan. 12	- TRIP orders due - Piano Recital - Finance Mtg.	9 am 2 pm 8 pm
Tuesday	Jan. 13	- Board Mtg.	8 pm
Wednesday	Jan. 14	- Library	
Thursday	Jan. 15		
Friday	Jan. 16	- TRIP Pick up	3 pm

From Our School Community:

Piano Recital: The piano recital for Tara Gilbert's students will be on Monday, January 12 at 2:00 p.m. Tara Gilbert's new phone number is 767-5454. Please update your school directories.

Upcoming Professional Development Days:

- January 30 (no school for students)
- February 27 (no school for students)



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THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Registration/Open House for new students in JK - 8 will be held on **Tuesday, February 3, 2015**, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and

Wednesday, February 4, 2015 - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Come visit the classrooms, take a tour of our school, have a cup of coffee and see what T.B.C.S. can offer your children! **Please bring proof of child(ren)'s identification and health card*

T.B.C.S. Student Life: Team Player & Blessings Bag Day is on Friday, January 23 so just 2 weeks away! Students please come on Monday with lots of ideas on how your group wants to identify themselves as a team (for example, all wear stripes, white tops and black bottoms, hats backwards, etc.) Each



student will come home

with a note on Wednesday outlining what his/her group has decided to do to dress as a team for Team Player & Blessings Bag.



Winter Hot Lunch Forms were sent home earlier this week. Please fill in and enclose payment by Friday, Jan. 16. Cheques can be made out to TBCS Booster Club.

Scholastic Flyers were sent home on Monday with your child. Two special flyers will also be sent home with the oldest in each family today. Please remember to note the prices in the ONT column as they are occasionally higher. Please return any orders to the school no later than Wednesday, January 14. Thank you.

Twice as Nice needs for next week Jan. 13-18. Please call Jenny Mol 475-6995 if you can help out for the following shifts – Monday afternoon 2, Tuesday afternoon 2, Wednesday morning 1, Wednesday afternoon 2, Thursday morning 1, Friday morning 1, Saturday 2. Helpers for Tuesday pickups and deliveries are also needed.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

We are off to a great start in 2015!

If anyone has any jumbo or large family size cereal boxes from home, would you please be able to send them in to the K room? We will be collecting them throughout the month of January and would greatly appreciate any or all we receive. Thanks!

Grades 1 & 2 - Miss Rekman

Bible: We are reading the stories of the judges and focusing on the cycle that can be found in the stories. The memory work for January 15 is Psalm 18:3 "I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies."

Math: We just finished up studying the measurement of time. Next week we will look at identifying and counting money.

Science: We are wrapping up our unit on Canada by looking at each of the provinces and territories. Students will be working on a project this week to discover a little more about one province of their choice.

Writing: This week we learned about writing Haikus. Students came up with some clever sentences about winter. Next week we will learn about adjectives and descriptive writing.

Reading: A reading log went home on Monday for the month of January. Please fill this in day by day. If you need a second copy please send a note.

Word Work: Spelling words will be put in the agenda on Monday.

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students used Boomwhackers and rhythm instruments to perform a short folk song. They also listened to music of J.S.Bach.

Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan

New Word Wall words are coming home today. Earlier this week, a new Reading sheet was sent home for January. The class was excited this week when I announced that they had met the challenge of reading 100 books. Awesome job, Grade 3/4! The reward is for our class to dress as their favourite book character on Thursday, January 29. Start thinking about the options! 😊

As we have started a new year, some of the highlights this week were:

*starting new Math units on Addition & Subtraction

*continuing our Social Studies unit on Simple Machines & Structures

*resuming our novel study on Charlotte's Web

*discussing Jesus' role here on earth (back to our regular unit next week!)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
*chunk due	*Library books due	*Spelling Tests *Mad Minute packs due	*Reading Log check

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- In music students played recorders and learned to play F#. They also worked on Link-Up music. In writing the Grade 3's worked on dictionary and alphabet skills while the Grade 4's worked on compound subjects, predicates, and using commas in direct address.

Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen

It has been wonderful to see all my students again looking so refreshed after the Christmas break! Even though we were "stuck" inside for most of the recesses this week, we had a terrific week and had fun doing indoor activities and keeping warm! In P.E., after weeks of practising skills, we began playing the game of volleyball. The class did great and had some good hits! Next week the weather is supposed to warm up so we will take every opportunity we can to skate on the skating rink. Students are asked to locate their skates and helmets and bring them to school for both Tuesday and Thursday in the event that we are able to get out onto the rink.

In math both classes completed a math test on addition and subtraction computation skills. They did very well and worked hard on any corrections that they had. We began a unit on measurement and are learning how to convert from one unit to another (ie. 2 km = 2000m etc. With this, the concept of perimeter is being studied. The passage of time on a clock is another skill being reviewed and taught.

In Social Studies we continued our unit on trading - this week we looked at what resources, both natural and human, that Canada has to offer the rest of the world. We were amazed that there were so many very important and influential discoveries and contributions to the world made by Canadians. We look forward to seeing how God is going to use each one of us in the world for His Kingdom.

Students did very well in completing their December book reports! We have been setting aside time during class each day to read silently. The students have been really enjoying this opportunity to get into their books. Congratulations to Matthew who won the December draw for book reading and is enjoying a sweet treat.

Next Week:

Bring your skates to skate on the outdoor rink!

Memory Work: Luke 12:15

Wednesday: Wanted Ben posters are due

Friday: Journal entry on a time you were in peril due

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- In music students worked on their Link-up music. In computers students explored the many uses and functions of the task bar. In art students learned about landscape, foreground, middle ground, and background.

Mr. Himanen:

Science: The class will be having a quiz next Thursday on their unit Atoms and Elements. Students will need to remember the definitions to the terms that were covered in class and remember some of the experiments that were completed in the lab.

Bible: The class will be wrapping up their unit on Proverbs_next week. The students are working on completing the presentation of their own written proverbs.

Geography: The students are presently researching the indigenous people that live in several different tundra regions in the world. The students will be comparing these different people groups to see how they live differently and in the same way in the northern regions of the world.

History: Next week the class will be looking at the 100 Years' War and the effect that it had on life in the Middle Ages.

Memory Work: Wednesday, January 14 - Proverbs 20 : 27

Mrs. Voortman:

Grade 8 students completed a math test this past Thursday covering unit 5 on fractions. Look for test and grade report coming home next week. Grade report will have to be signed and returned. Grade 8 is beginning a new chapter on Rates & Ratios. Grade 7 students will have a math test this coming Thursday covering fractions.

We finished reading the book I AM DAVID. Ask your student about it. Many of them thoroughly enjoyed this novel. We will be having a test covering this book on Friday.

Spelling unit 13 will be due Thursday with dictation test Friday.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Grade 7 Band: Please practice pages 12 and 13 for next week.

Grade 7/8 Art: Students worked on shading techniques using different artist pencils.