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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

To God Be the Glory

*"Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our gladness, when Jesus we see." vs. 3*

Looking Ahead:

Monday	Feb. 2	- TRIP Orders due	9:00am
Tuesday	Feb. 3	- JK-8 Registration	9:00am-3:00pm, 7:00-9:00pm
Wednesday	Feb. 4	- Library - JK-8 Registration	9:00am-3:00pm
Thursday	Feb. 5		
Friday	Feb. 6	-TRIP Pickup	3:00pm

From Our School Community:

Part-Time Teacher Aide Position at T.B.C.S.: Thunder Bay Christian School is seeking to fill the position of a part-time teacher's assistant in the Grade 1-2 class. This position will initially be for approximately 10 hours per week and may decrease as the year progresses. The teacher's assistant will assist the classroom teacher in various ways including the following: helping prepare classroom activities, working with small groups, and working with students individually. We are asking that applicants submit a letter of application and/or a resume (including a brief statement of faith and pastoral reference) to the school by 3 p.m. Friday, February 6. Applications may be emailed to office@tbaychristianschool.ca or faxed to (807) 939-2843.



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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.
Wednesday, February 4, 2015 - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

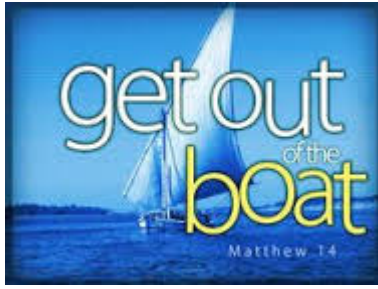
Come visit the classrooms, take a tour of our school, have a cup of coffee and see what T.B.C.S. can offer your children!

**Please bring proof of child(ren)'s identification and health card.*

Thunder Oak Cheese Fundraiser: Reminder to students that the deadline for orders, **February 13**, is fast approaching. The 30% profit goes directly to the student fund. Please include payment with orders and cheques are to be made out to T.B.C.S. Student Fund.

February calendar is attached to today's journal.

T.B.C.S. Student Life:



Our next event is Wacky Tacky Crazy Hair Day on Friday, February 13. That's right, you get to sport all the craziest clothes you have and do your hair in an outrageous hair do as well. Start thinking now so you will be ready!

Playground Duty is still looking for a few more volunteers to fill the next few months. Dates still open include all Thursdays (excluding January 29) and the following Fridays- February 13, March 13 and April 24. If you would like to help out or for more information please call Sherri Brown at 346-5445.

Custodial Position Opening: The Maintenance Committee of Thunder Bay Christian School is seeking to fill the position of school custodian for the upcoming 2015/2016 school year. This is a salaried position that will run from August 1, 2015, to July 31, 2016. This position is available to any individuals or families that are interested in being responsible for the daily cleaning of the school. More information on the application process, or on the details of the position, can be obtained by contacting a member of the maintenance committee or contacting Richard Veurink at rjveurink12@gmail.com.

Upcoming Professional Development Days:

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

TBCS Mini-minutes for January 13, 2015

1. OPENING DEVOTIONS – Peter Kaemingk reads from Psalm 119: 25 - 32 and opens with prayer.
2. Roll call – Peter Kaemingk, Fred Van Elburg, Ed Van Voort, Dan Breukelman, Richard Veurink, Gerrit Cramer, Jonathan Bakker, Ryan Jaspers, Peter Himanen Absent with notice: Kevin Mol and Bram Drost..
3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA by Jonathan Bakker and Richard Veurink.
4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - none
5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING by Gerrit Cramer and Jonathan Bakker. Carried.
6. Leadership Team Report – Peter Himanen reviews the leadership team report.
 - a. Lice check policy- Motion by Dan Breukelman and Richard Veurink to accept the updated changes to the Lice policy. Carried.
 - b. Allen Bron's next visit – possible dates Feb 17 – 20.
 - c. Highschool – Committee met – Ed Breukelman is Chair. Next meeting is January 27th.
7. Next Board of Directors meeting is Feb 17th.
8. MOTION TO ADJOURN by Jonathan Bakker and Gerrit Cramer.
9. Closing Prayer by Ryan Jaspers

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

Thanks again to Mr. Eric Bron, Mrs. Shari Lowe, Mr. Martin Schep, Mr. Paul Voortman and Mr. David & Mrs. Vicki Wassenaar who came out to help on the rink yesterday! We really appreciate your help!

The February newsletter, calendar and reading sheet went home with your child yesterday. Please let me know if you did not receive any of them. A white sheet regarding Valentine's Day went home yesterday in the package as well. A revised pink sheet will go home the next day your child comes to school. Please discard the white copy you currently have. Thanks!

Have a great long weekend!

Up & Coming:

Wednesday: If you haven't already done so, JK students please return your completed January reading forms.

Grades 1 & 2 - Miss Rekman

Bible: The memory work for next week is Isaiah 55:6: "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near."

Science: Our mealworms are all happy with a bed of oatmeal and a snack of apples. We are now waiting for them to enter the next stage of the lifecycle, the chrysalis.

Gym: Thank you to Mr. Ryan Jaspers who helped us out on the ice this week. Next week we will be out on the ice again on Monday and Wednesday, from 12:15 to 1:00.

Reading: Only eight students handed in their reading log for the month of January. Please send this to school or write a note in the agenda with an estimate of how much your child has read.

Writing: We started a top secret project that has us unpacking adjectives. We will continue working on this writing next week.

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students continued their study of Bach.

Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan

Folders will come home today with Spelling tests and new word wall words. A regrouping review sheet (in lieu of a mad minute pack) is coming home for both grades. Grade 4's will also have a review sheet (Grade 3's will get one next week! ☺)

Thank you for sending in the skates this week! Our time on the rink was fantastic and we hope to do the same next week Tuesday again. If your child does not leave his/her skates at school, please make sure they are at school by Tuesday again. Thank you.

~Gr. 3/4 continued on next page

Completed Reading Logs for January were due today. If your child did not bring it, please send the completed sheet in on Monday. Thank you. Also, a new sheet for February is coming home today. The requirements are listed at the top of the new sheet.

Highlights this week:

- *We learned about 1st, 2nd and 3rd class levers and practical examples we see in the world for each type.
- *We used our Bibles to complete a Word Search about Saul and his anointing.
- *In Math, we estimated by rounding and continued to regroup, counted change and solved more word problems.
- *Book character day was a great success! Thank you for helping your child prepare!

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
*Chunks due *Gr. 4 Math review due	*Library books due *Grade 4 Math test	*Spelling Tests * Regrouping sheets due	*Reading Log check

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students worked on their Link up songs this week.

Grammar- the Grade 3's learned about topic sentences while the the Grade 4's looked at homonyms and order of events.

Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen

We had a wonderful time during our LOCK IN this week! We got into comfortable clothes, relaxed with blankets, pillows, stuffies, and snacks, and read for a good portion of the last block of the day! As a class we were able to read hundreds of pages of reading during that time and get further along in our book reading for the months of January and February. WOW! This week we also enjoyed listening to several book reports given by students as they practised being the "Passage Picker" We look forward to listening to the rest of the reports early next week. In February, students will be required to read 2 books for the month and prepare two different reports. They will practise being the "Connector" and "Word Wizard" for these reports.

Next week will be a very busy week for us as we begin to work on our assembly for this year. We plan to host our assembly on February 11 (this date was picked in order to accommodate the many students who will be coming and going from school during the month). We will have to work hard to be ready in time, and students will be asked to take some time at home to memorize and practise their lines for the skits, songs, and readings.

Students have been busy preparing their projects on various themes in the Proverbs. More time will be given next week to complete these and then the projects will be presented.

We studied Latitude in Social Studies this week and will work with Longitude next week. We learned that the least developed countries seem to be situated near the equator and the developed countries seem to be located in the Northern Hemisphere. There will be a test next week on all material covered so far in this unit.

Students were given yellow or pink booklets with multiplication math facts written in them. It is really important that students memorize and practise these facts.

Next Week:

Memory Work: 2Peter 3:18

Monday: January book reports due

Wednesday: Social Studies test - Lessons 1-4

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students played ukulele and worked on their Link Up music. In art students worked on a value exercise.

Grades 7 & 8 - Mr. Himanen, Mrs. Voortman, Mrs. Hawkins**Mr. Himanen:**

Bible: The class is beginning their next unit, and we will be studying the prophet Habakkuk. Habakkuk looked around at all the evil that was going on around him and wondered why it was happening. From our study of this book of the Bible we hope to learn that we can have complete trust in our Lord even when we don't understand everything that is happening.

Science: Next week the students will be learning about the Carbon Cycle and the Nitrogen Cycle that are happening in our atmosphere all the time. We will look at the importance of these cycles in how the atmosphere operates each and every day.

History: History Quiz on the Middle Ages- Thursday, February 5

Geography: Next week the class will be looking at how the tundra , the land and its people, can and should be protected from exploitation from those living in the south.

Memory Work: Friday, February 6 - Habakkuk 3:2

Mrs. Voortman:

Math: Grade 8 completed a test on Rates & Ratios. Look for the grade report and test coming home Monday. It will need to be signed and returned. Grade 8 has begun a unit on Percent. Grade 7 is wrapping up a unit on Rates & Ratios. Test will be Wednesday.

Language Arts: Students will be presenting their I Am David projects beginning Tuesday. I'm looking forward to seeing the finished products. For spelling we will be working on Unit 16 due Thursday with dictation on Friday.

Mrs. Hawkins: Students played their first band pieces this week.