



**WE ARE SECOND TO THE ONE**

*"He must become great;  
I must become less."  
John 3:30*

**Advent Hope**

*"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;  
on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned." Isaiah 9:2*



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<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov. 28</b>	TRIP orders due	9:00 a.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov. 29</b>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov. 30</b>	Library	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Dec. 1</b>		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Dec. 2</b>	TRIP Pick up	3:00 p.m.

**Tonight's Bazaar and Auction Finale:**

- Doors and kitchen open at 7:30 p.m.
- The Christmas Room will be open.
- The Silent Auction boxes will still be open for bids.
- The Auction begins at 8:00 p.m. sharp.
- The Movie Room for the kids will be showing a new Disney release!

**Advance Notice:** Report cards will be sent home on Friday, December 2. Parent /Teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, December 7. We are using an online website to schedule the conferences this year. Please follow the link to schedule a conference with your child(ren)'s teacher(s). If you have any trouble, let us know.

<https://pickatime.com/client?ven=11612058&event=301582>

## From our School Community:

**Praise & Thanksgiving** for the Brown Family as Leah has been able to come home for a weekend to visit with her family. At the doctor's request, this is to be a quiet, low key weekend so please no calls or visits. Leah is half way through her rehab program and hopefully will be able to return home by Christmas. Please continue to keep Leah and her family in your prayers. Anyone wishing to make the family a meal please go online to [www.mealtrain.com/train/y64z0k](http://www.mealtrain.com/train/y64z0k).

**TBCA Performance:** The classes from JK through Grade 8 will be attending a performance of *Jungle Book* in the afternoon on Monday, December 5, 2016. The presentation is put on by students in the Eleanor Drury Children's Group and is comprised of students from Thunder Bay. This play has been adapted to Northwestern Ontario/Canada and will feature animals from Canada, including the Boreal Forest.

**Scholastic:** Classroom flyers were sent home with your child on Monday. Two special flyers will also be sent home with the oldest child in each family today. If you wish to place an order, please return to the school no later than **Wednesday, November 30**. (Please remember to note the prices in the ONT column as they are occasionally higher.) Also, if you have an order that includes Christmas gifts, please clearly label the form with your name and number and I will call you when it arrives to arrange for pick up. Thank you.

**TAN Opportunities Next Week** - volunteers are needed for Monday morning and afternoon, Tuesday afternoon, Friday morning and both shifts on Saturday. Please let Jenny Mol know if you can help out - 475-6995, [jhmol@tbaytel.net](mailto:jhmol@tbaytel.net), text 626-0442.

### DRESSING FOR WINTER

With the winter season upon us and the unpredictability of the weather it is very important that students come to school dressed appropriately.

This includes the following:

- ⇒ Hat and mitts
- ⇒ Winter boots
- ⇒ Winter Jacket
- ⇒ Snow pants



Talk to your child about the importance of wearing these items on the bus. Should the bus break down students need to be dressed warmly. Fresh air and exercise are an important part of each day and all students need to be outside unless the weather is extreme.

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**Hockey Sticks:** The snow has arrived and the students are ready to move from playing soccer to hockey. It is wonderful that the students wish to use hockey sticks during recess time but we ask that once they bring a stick to school it remain at school until the end of the season. This way, it is safer for students on the bus.

**Board and Committee Members Booklet** was sent home today with the oldest child in every family.

**School Quality Assurance Program:** The Thunder Bay Christian School Board is presently involved in a comprehensive school review designed by the Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools (OACS). As part of this review you will be given an opportunity to convey your personal point of view regarding the current conditions in and around the school. Soon you will be sent a survey by e-mail from the OACS, where you will be asked to complete a rating of a list of items that are being reviewed. The surveys will be tabulated, and the results will be sent to the school board in a comprehensive report. The school board is asking everyone to please take the time to complete the survey and help Thunder Bay Christian School be the best school it can be.

**Thunder Books:** The high school students will be selling Thunder Books for \$10.00/each in order to raise money for their mission trip this year. The students receive \$5.00 for each book sold. Thank you for your support.

**Poinsettia's For Sale!!** Coupons for 6" Poinsettias are on sale for \$12.00 each. Please contact one of the TBCS High school Students. Keep your coupon (don't lose it!) and choose your own Poinsettia at Landale Gardens. Each Poinsettia is full of colour (red, pink or white). Added Bonus - \$5 OFF Christmas Tree Coupon and 20% OFF Overtime Sports and Collectable Coupon at no extra cost. For more information or to purchase, call/text Catherine Knight at 807-621-1677. Proceeds will go towards the high school trip.

## From the Classrooms:

### JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

The December calendar and newsletter went home today since there are a number of changes to our usual schedule that will be occurring over the next number of weeks. Please let me know if you did not receive this package. Thanks!

### Up & Coming:

Wednesday: Library Day

November Book chart

### Grades 1 & 2 – Miss Boyes, Mrs. Hamilton

#### Miss Boyes: Grade One and Two:

Bible- This week we have learned about Isaiah, Uzziah and Hezekiah and their walks with God.

Science- We have been experimenting a lot this week and learning science terms like: absorb vs. repel, dissolve and buoyancy.

Memory Work: Daniel 4:3 "How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; His dominion endures from generation to generation."

#### Grade Two:

Language Arts- This week we learned how to add not (n't) to the end of some words.

Spelling Words- Next week's spelling words went home today. The next spelling test is on Dec. 2.

Math- In math we learned how to subtract using the counting on method. We also got to work with some word problems.

**Mrs. Hamilton: Grade One**

Grade one will spend next week's guided reading time exploring *The Jungle Book*. Watch for a new reading log to come home on Monday and please be sure to send back last week's. The new words we'll be adding to our word wall are: of, animal, no, my, but. Practice reading and writing these words with your child this week.

In math we'll be continuing to work on our patterning unit. Please ask your child about what a pattern is and practice identifying their cores (the part that repeats) and their terms (the individual elements in the core). Students are off to a great start with this unit!

**Mrs. Hawkins:** Music- Students learned about the staff this week. They were also able to demonstrate differences between beat and rhythm in music and learned the Solfege signs for so and mi.

**Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan**

Work folders come home today with new Word Wall words. For Memory Work, we will work on reciting Proverbs 3:1-6 and start learning our verses for the Christmas program (Isaiah 9:2, 6-7).

Highlights this week:

- Bible: We shared our personal timelines and learned how each generation contributes to a bigger picture (as compared to the timeline of the OT). We also read about the birth and call of Samuel.
- Social Studies: We began making a review booklet to complete our unit on Simple Machines.
- Math Grade 4: We continued to work with multiplication with 2 digit by 1 digit equations and mental math strategies.
- Math Grade 3: We continued to compare larger numbers and write sentences using greater/less than and more/less.
- Language: We read various selections for our Social Studies unit.
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Coming Up:

Monday: Please return emptied Friday folder and signed behaviour charts.

Tuesday: Please return chunk papers.

Wednesday: Please return all Library books.

Thursday: Spelling Tests

Friday: Please return Reading Logs for a weekly check.

**Mrs. Hawkins:** Music- Students practiced naming pitches F, A, C by inverting the melody to the song, "Seven Up". Students also performed the new song on Boomwhackers. Next week we will play the game that goes with this song.

**Mme. Hamilton:** French- Grade threes are working on creating a small map of a town that includes various buildings we've discussed in French. We'll continue working with that vocabulary this coming week, as students share their maps with the class.

Grade Four- Students are completing their Mon école unit project this coming week. We'll share them with the class next week.

Yesterday's "ice day" was a bit of a surprise, but I am sure that the students did not mind the extra day to be at home! Hopefully, the students took some time to read as November book reports are soon due. Most students have completed their oral report and some students had a chance to be a book report reporter and listen to their fellow classmates present their oral report. A second written report is due at the end of the month.

This week we had fun dressing up on "Career Day". It was so much fun to see all the different costumes and listen to the students tell about what occupation they hope to have when they are older.

November has certainly flown by, and this week we continued to proceed through the curriculum, working through current units and beginning other new ones. In Social Studies we are working through a unit on trading and learning more about Canada's role in the world of trade. This week we saw just how many goods and services are traded in the global village and how much we rely on trade. Students each researched a Canadian province or territory in order to learn more about what resources Canada is blessed with to trade. Next week students will learn about what makes Canada a "developed" (1<sup>st</sup> world) country and what factors contribute to a country being "least developed" (3<sup>rd</sup> world).

Next week we will also begin preparations for the school Christmas program and for our Victorian Christmas unit which culminates with our "*Old Fashioned Dainty Christmas Tea*". We will be learning more about the different traditions that we enjoy at Christmas and how many of those traditions stemmed from the Victorian era. Students will complete research, do crafts and calligraphy, complete a special booklet, and enjoy planning and carrying out the tea at the end.

### **Next Week:**

Memory Work: John 12:46 (for Tuesday)

Monday: Spelling test - Unit 11

Thursday: Written book report due

**\*\*Advance notice\*\*** We will be having our Victorian Christmas tea on the afternoon of Tuesday, December 20, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. More information will be given in the next weeks. All students are asked to bring in 1 L of apple juice for this event. Thank you!

### **Mrs. Hawkins:**

Music- Everyone played well this week. We will concentrate on learning the Christmas carol song next week.

**Mme. Hamilton:** French- Students are completing their Mon ecole unit project this coming week. We'll share them with the class next week.

### **Mrs. Voortman:**

Math- Grade 7 has started working with fractions. Grade 8 is working with multiplying and dividing decimals by powers of ten.

Language Arts- Both grades will have a grammar test on Tuesday covering the first unit (1-6) in our grammar book. We will also be wrapping up our short story unit with a test on Tuesday or Wednesday. Watch in their agendas for the final date. Spelling unit 13 due Thursday with dictation test Friday.

**Mrs. Mol:**

Bible - We read the very last secret in *Tell Me the Secrets* this week. Sadly, the book ends with the death of Grampa Josh, but he leaves them with a final secret: the secret of life. We talked about how death shouldn't be a scary thing for Christians, and we made some comparisons to birth.

History - We have begun working on a short, mini skit on the Council of Nicea that we will be performing next week. The students have been assigned parts, and are reminded to read through their lines over the weekend to get more familiar with them.

Geography - This week, we dove right in to our new unit on the Tundra biome! We looked at some maps to see what parts of the world it covers; a reminder that these worksheets that weren't completed in class are due on Tuesday.

**Mr. Himanen:**

Science- Next week the students will be continuing their unit on Chemical Combinations. We will be completing some more experiments as we look at the physical and chemical changes that take place in the reactions. We will also be looking at the periodic table and how the elements are organized in the table.

Grade 8 Guitar- The students are learning some new strumming patterns and will be practising some Christmas carols in preparation for the Christmas season. Students need to consistently take their guitars home and practise their chords.

**Mrs. Hawkins:**

Grade 7 Band- Please practice page 10 for next week.

Grade 7/8 Art: Students painted their sculpture projects this week.

**Mme. Tempelman: French-** Wow, what a week. We are working at using nouns with verbs in place of pronouns, solidifying re-verbs and the verb 'aller'. We will be working on memorizing the Lord's Prayer in French.

Grade 7 is working on weather projects and posters. Grade 8 did an amazing job with reporting the weather on a video. Listening to them speak French, their vocabulary, their presentation, the fun they had, was such a complete joy to be a part of. Thank you for such a treasured memory. Your hard work is opening a new "world" for you. Keep going with Duolingo-French at home, working toward 30% fluency and persevere in listening to 89.3FM. When Thursday is a snow day, quizzes are rescheduled to Tues.

**Grade 9 & 10 – Mrs. Mol, Mr. Himanen, Mrs. Hawkins****Mrs. Mol:**

Grade 9 Math- This week the grade nines learned about the difference between linear and non-linear relations, and distance time graphs. Today they reviewed chapter 2 in preparation for their test on Monday.

Grade 10 Math- The grade tens wrote their test for chapter 3 and have started chapter 5 on quadratic relations. We learned how to multiply binomials by using FOIL, and how to find a perfect square trinomial and the difference of squares.

English- We continued with reading chapters 4 and half of chapter 5 of *Lord of the Flies* this week. A reminder that chapter 5 is to be finished as homework, and the reading charts and workbook page is due on Monday as well. We also continued working on their research essays for the anthology project; everyone now has a topic and 3 solid research questions/subtopics and should be starting to do some research and taking notes!

Bible- The students worked on their Matthew exegesis projects and then we took a little break by watching some of *Jesus of Nazareth*. Next week we will be back to having some work periods for the project; we will finish the movie the following week.

Science- We have finally completed our biology unit with the completion of chapter 4 on plant systems. Today we had a catch-up/review period. A reminder that all outstanding work from this unit is due on Monday at the test; after this, it will no longer be accepted.

**Mr. Himanen:**

History- The students have studied the causes of the Depression and will now be looking at the effects that the Depression had on Canada and Canadians. The class will look at how the government responded, or didn't respond, to the needs of the people during this time of great need in the country.

Outdoor Education- The class was unable to go to the Boulder Bear Climbing Gym because of the snow day, but we will be going there next Thursday and the following Thursday. Students will also need to find a pair of snowshoes and a pair of cross country skis from a friend or relative in preparation for our upcoming activities.

**Mrs. Hawkins:**

AVI10- Students worked on assignments for the elements and principles of design.

**Mme. Tempelman: French-** Students completed their oral weather reports this week and presented them. We may have some competition for our weather reporter's job here! Great use of vocabulary! Continue listening to the weather as reported on 89.3FM and let's check accuracy! Students are working on orating "Notre Pere", the Lord's Prayer. We are finishing our work with nouns in place of pronouns in conjugating re-verbs and 'aller'. Thursday's quiz is rescheduled to Tues. next week. Keep up the good work on Duolingo-French, working toward 30% accuracy.