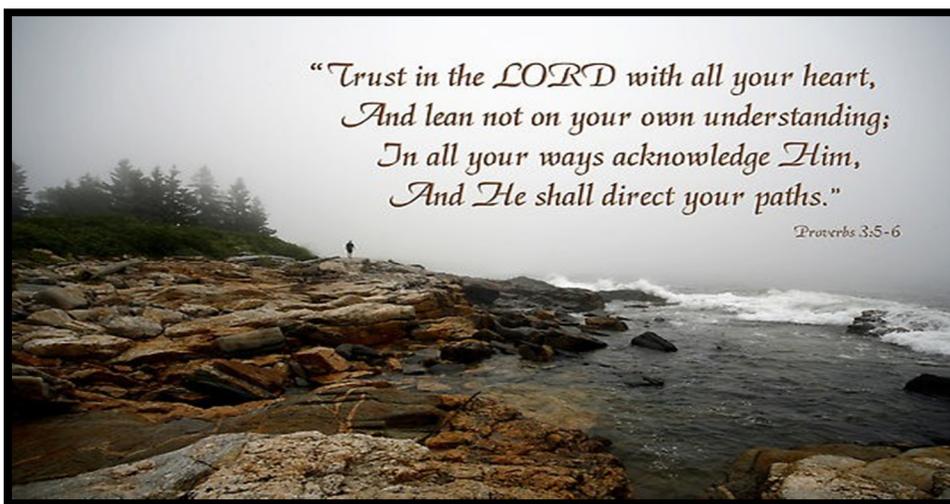




**WE ARE SECOND TO THE ONE**

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



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<b>Monday</b>	<b>Jan. 23</b>	TRIP Any times only this week Finance Meeting	8:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Jan. 24</b>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Jan. 25</b>	Library <b>Hot Dog Hot Lunch</b> High School Committee Meeting	8:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Jan. 26</b>		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Jan. 27</b>	<b>P.D. Day - No school</b>	

**From our School Community:**



**Registration/Open House** for new students in JK-10 will be held on **Tuesday, February 7, 2017,**

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and

**Wednesday, February 8, 2017, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

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

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

**High School Information Evening:** Parents and students (currently in Gr. 8 & 9) are invited on **Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.** to learn more about the high school program at T.B.C.S.

**A Thunder Oak Cheese Fundraiser** in support of T.B.C.S. Student Fund begins this Friday and order forms have been sent home with the oldest child in each family. There are 16 different kinds of cheese as well as three types of curds to tantalize your taste buds. A 30% profit on each item sold goes directly to the Student Fund. Orders are due by Wednesday, February 15. Please include payment with the orders and cheques can be made out to T.B.C.S. Student Fund. More forms are available in the office.

**The Recess Rink:** The Recess Rink is operational. Please remember that hockey/safety helmets (not bicycle) must be worn on the ice. When travelling on the bus, skates must have skate guards or be in a sturdy bag for safety.

**Recess:** Reminder to all those students that are playing boot hockey during the recess breaks that they are required to bring their own hockey sticks to the school. The sticks should have their name on it, and permission needs to be asked before someone else's stick is used.

**Yard Duty:** The school is seeking another volunteer to assist in the organizing and coordinating of the parent's yard duty schedule. This assistance will be needed on a temporary basis for the next several months. If you are willing to assist the school in this area please call the school.

**Student Electives:** The school is still seeking some volunteers to take some time out of their schedules in the month of February to help out with the proposed student electives at the school. The electives will be held on Friday afternoons. Please call the school if you are willing to help out with an activity and/or if you have an idea for an activity that the students (JK/SK – Gr. 8) might enjoy.

**Twice as Nice Serving Opportunities:** **Twice as Nice** has the following openings for next week – Monday and Tuesday both shifts, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon shifts, Saturday morning. Helpers on Tuesday with pick-ups and deliveries is also required. If anyone can help out please contact Jenny Mol 475-6995, [jhmol@tbaytel.net](mailto:jhmol@tbaytel.net), text 626-0442 or call the store at 622-7575.

**Twice as Nice Pickups and Deliveries:** Are you able to assist in pickups and deliveries for Twice as Nice? Starting off the New Year we would really like to schedule a crew for each week –right now we are picking up only on Tuesdays (this is flexible if we have other people who would do this on a different day). We would like to organize more estate cleanouts and residential cleanouts as we have good communication with a number of realtors and apartment coordinators, and would like to accommodate these in a timely fashion. If we can get a number of helpers we can rotate the crew so it is not always the same people. More hands will allow those who have been faithfully doing this for years to take a break. Drop in the store or email contact info and availability to Ken Paulusma at [kenpaul@shaw.ca](mailto:kenpaul@shaw.ca) (807-707-0741), [twiceasnice@tbaytel.net](mailto:twiceasnice@tbaytel.net) or [jhmol@tbaytel.net](mailto:jhmol@tbaytel.net).

**February Milk Form** is attached to today's Journal. Please fill out and return by Wednesday, January 25.

**Scholastic Reminder:** Please return any orders by this Wednesday, January 25. Thank you!

**Cold Weather Reminder:** With the cold weather upon us, just a reminder that the office checks the internet weather forecast before each break. A temperature of -20 to -30 degrees Celsius with the wind chill is considered a penguin recess (children can go outside and come back inside if they are cold). Below -30 with the wind chill is an indoor recess. If you are on yard duty, please check the weather forecast or call the office before coming to school. The office uses Environment Canada website: [www.weatheroffice.gc.ca](http://www.weatheroffice.gc.ca).

Executive meets prior to meeting.

Roll call: All present

1. Opening Devotions- Bram D. reads Philippians 1:3-11 and opens with prayer.
2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest- conflict of interest is declared and appropriate actions are taken.
3. Adoption of minutes of previous board meeting. (December 6, 2016)
4. Correspondence-Review letters received
5. Leadership Team Report
  - Registration dates are set for February 7 and 8 with a high school info meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - Gr. 8 trip is planned for May 29-June 2.

**Motion:** "That student teachers from Lakehead University be required to submit a statement of faith and a pastor's letter to be eligible to participate at TBCS" – carries.

6. Results of SQAP survey by OACS representatives.

- Paul Marcus and Ray Hendricks from OACS are welcomed to the meeting and spend time explaining the results of the survey completed by parents, staff and board.
- Paul and Ray spent time speaking with some of the children and discovered that they really enjoy their time at TBCS.
- The participation in the survey was very good. – approx. 1 per family.
- Board will receive a further report from OACS.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Executive

**Motion:** "To reinstate the membership of John and Glenda Dykstra to the TBCS society" - carries

- b. Thrift Store - \$15,000 for Nov and \$15,000 for Dec transferred to school.
- c. Bazaar/Skate-a-thon - \$70,000 total was raised.
- d. Admissions

**Motion** "To approve Ron and Carol Parcher as members of the Thunder Bay Christian School society and to accept their son Aidan as a student" – carries. Welcome Parchers!

8. Next Meeting February 21, 2017 d.v.
9. Closing Prayer – Arend J

## From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

It was a perfect day for sledding on Wednesday so we headed out to enjoy Phys. Ed. outside! Hopefully, you heard all about it. 😊

Today we continued to learn more about Moses, thermometers, pattern blocks, facts to 10 and a new word attack skill. A note is coming home with your child letting you know if there are any supplies that he or she is missing or if everything is in ample supply.

Please keep the large cereal boxes coming in. Thanks so much for your recyclables.

**Miss Boyes: Grade 1 and 2**

Bible: This week we talked about the Jews' return to Jerusalem from Babylon. This fulfilled Ezekiel's prophesy. They returned to a broken down city. They did rebuild it though they faced many oppositions along the way. We learned that through faith in God we can accomplish anything.

Memory Work: Mark 9:35 "Sitting down, Jesus called the twelve and said, 'Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.'"

Social Studies: We got to experience some of the music and games that a child in Costa Rica would. We were also able to send 'postcards' off to Ms. Boyes' friend in Costa Rica and we look forward to hearing back.

**Grade 2**

Language Arts: We have been working with blends this week such as; wh, th and sh. We talked about 4 Star writing. 4 Star writing has detail and makes our writing more exciting!

Math: We continue working with length and have started looking at the distance around rectangles using centicubes.

Spelling words: New words went home this week. Next test will be January 26.

**Mrs. Baxter: Grade 1**

During math this week we have been practicing long vs short, wide vs narrow and also how to measure objects using different units of measurement, for example paper and paper clips. We have been working on our spelling words for the week and participating in daily 5 activities. We are reading several Barbara Reid books and enjoying her amazing illustrations made out of clay.

**Mrs. Hawkins:** Music- Students played musical games and activities about bears this week.

Work folders come home today with new word wall words and Math facts homework.

Thank you for the empty water bottles that have come in. We now have enough! 😊

Next week, each student will need approximately one cup to weight down a water bottle with dry ingredients. Please send in a baggie with any dry ingredient (ie. Lentils, dry peas, rice, popcorn, etc.) Thank you!

Since the rink is now ready to use, we are aiming to have our Thursday Gym class outside skating. Please send in skates and helmet for that day! If you wish, you may send them in earlier and leave them at school. Thank you for your help getting your child organized.

Highlights this week:

- Bible: We did a mid-unit review and completed a quiz. We are continuing with the remainder of 1 Samuel.
- Math Grade 4: We completed a quiz on counting money and have moved onto measuring with centimetres and metres.
- Math Grade 3: We measured objects and rooms with metres this week. We began learning about kilometres.
- Literature: We identified main points in the story of "Nanabush and the Skunk".

Coming Up:

Monday: Please return emptied Friday folder and signed behaviour charts.  
Wednesday: Please return all Library books.  
Thursday: Spelling tests  
Math fact homework due

ADVANCE NOTICE: The Grade 3/4 class will be hosting an assembly on February 17.

**Mrs. Baxter:**

French Grade 3- This week we have been really practicing our routines and respectful behaviour while in class. My goal is for the class to speak French confidently and have fun! If they cannot follow the classroom procedures and expectations, respecting others, listening to instructions, noise level etc. it will be hard to do the fun part☺ Lets work together class to make this French time enjoyable for all.

French Grade 4- This week we are reviewing all our French knowledge built up over the past few years. The students really know a Lot of French! Now to put it into practice☺. We will continue to practice dialogues and start a unit on seasons in February.

**Mrs. Hawkins:** Music- Students played recorder and learned new novelty songs this week.

**Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen**

We had a great time skating on the rink this week! Thank you, Mr. Voortman, for taking so much time to maintain the rink for us! We do hope to skate again next week and hope that all students will remember their gear.

In math the grade fives continue to work through the unit on number sense and are doing well. We hope to quickly finish up this unit with a test in about a week and then start a unit on measurement. The grade sixes are currently working through a short unit on measurement and will be ready for their unit test on Wednesday or Thursday of next week.

We are almost finished our unit in Bible and saw that the flood, while it provided a fresh start for the world, did not wipe out sin and its effects on the world. We also studied more about the Tower of Babel and why God found it necessary to scatter the people. There will be a unit test next week on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Next week we will learn more about how to punctuate sentences requiring quotation marks. In social studies we learned about latitude and will work more 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.

It's time for a LOCK IN! Next week we are going to enjoy a block of reading on Wednesday where we get into comfortable clothes, relax with blankets, pillows, stuffies, and snacks. We will lock ourselves into the library and read for a good portion of the last block of the day!

**Next Week:**

Memory Work: Psalm 121: 5-8

Monday: Spelling test - Unit 17

Tuesday/Wednesday: Come prepared to skate on the rink  
Bible Test - Lessons 1-6

Wednesday/Thursday: Math test - grade 6 - measurement

Wednesday: LOCK IN! Bring a good book, comfortable clothes, blankets etc. and snacks

Quotation mark Quiz

Thursday: Spelling Unit 18 due

**Mrs. Baxter:** French- This week we are reviewing all our French knowledge built up over the past few years. The students really know a Lot of French! Now to put it into practice☺. We will continue to practice dialogues and start a unit on seasons in February.

**Mrs. Hawkins:**

Music- students played ukuleles and learned and reviewed "Octopus's Garden" and "I've Got the Joy".

Computers: Students worked on their typing skills this week.

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

**Mrs. Voortman:**

Math - Grade 7 has been learned many new geometry concepts this past week including perpendicular bisectors, parallel lines and angle bisectors. We will have a quiz on Tuesday. Grade 8 has been learning new advanced algebra techniques such as collecting like terms and the distributive property.

Language Arts – The halfway test for *I Am David* was returned with pleasing results. We are back into our novel study and were happy to see David smile for the first time. Due to the short week spelling unit 19 is due on Thursday and our weekly dictation test will be Thursday also.

**Mrs. Mol:**

Bible - This week we looked at the 5 major themes of Proverbs, and worked on posters depicting one verse that demonstrated one of the themes. These posters are due on Tuesday. A reminder that the Journaling through Proverbs assignment is due on February 2 (only a week and a half away!). Students should be working diligently on this at home, as it is taking the place of a unit test.

History - We finished discussing Charlemagne and his role in God's plan, and we also learned about the feudal system that was in place during the Middle Ages. All students were randomly given roles in this system: serfs, knights, barons and king/queen, with me residing over the "kingdom" with full authority as the Pope! We made hats following this system, and on Tuesday we will be wearing them and doing a fun activity. We will also have a work period on Thursday next week for the history projects, so make sure everything is brought to school to get lots done that day!

Geography - We continued working on the tundra regions projects. These are coming along very well! They are due on Tuesday, February 7.

**Mr. Himanen:**

Health: The health quiz on the skeletal and muscular system has been rescheduled to Wednesday, January 25 because we missed a day of review this week.

Science: The students will be continuing their study of acids and bases next week. This week we learned what acids and bases are, and we will begin to look at how each of these are used. We will also look at some of the dangers associated with each of them.

Guitar: The students are learning how to play individual notes on their guitar rather than simply just the chords. Students need to work on memorizing where the notes are found on the guitar and to remember how to read notes from a sheet of music.

**Mrs. Hawkins:**

Music: Students played their first pieces this week. Please practice "The Crusaders" and "Join the Parade".

Art: Students worked on a small printmaking project this week.

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

TBCS High School Mid-term Exam Schedule					
Time	Monday, Jan. 23	Tuesday, Jan. 24	Wednesday, Jan. 25	Thursday, Jan. 26	Friday, Jan. 27
9:00 - 10:30 am	Review Day for exams	Math	Science	English	NO School Today: turn-around day before second semester
10:30 - 11:00 am		Break	Break	Break	
11 am - 12:30 pm		French		History	

**Mrs. Mol:**

Math Gr. 9 - The students wrote the chapter 5 test; overall, it was well done. They spent the rest of the week doing some extra practice on chapter 5 concepts, as this will be a good portion of the midterm next week, and serves as a foundation for much of the remainder of the course.

Math Gr. 10 - This week the grade tens dove into the wonderful world of quadratics! We learned many of the properties of these relations, and the transformations that can happen to them.

English - We finished reading *Lord of the Flies* this week, and worked on posters depicting 5 themes that develop throughout the novel.

Bible - The students have finished putting together the bulletin board on Paul, and I welcome you all to drop into our classroom and see it. We learned some background information about Paul and his life, and then we started a study of Galatians.

Science - This week we worked through some of chapter 9 by discussing greenhouse gases and Canada's emissions. We used data from Environment Canada to construct graphs and interpreted them to learn about trends in Canada's greenhouse gas emissions.

A reminder that midterms will be written next Tuesday-Thursday. A schedule has been sent home with your student. On Monday, we will have classes as normal, and will be using this time to review for the week's exams. Friday is a P.D. Day and students do not have to come to school.

**Mr. Himanen:**

History: The students will be writing their mid-term exam on Thursday, January 26. The students have been given a review sheet to take home to assist them in their studying.

**Mrs. Hawkins:** AVI10- Students finished first semester assignments and started working on perspective drawings.