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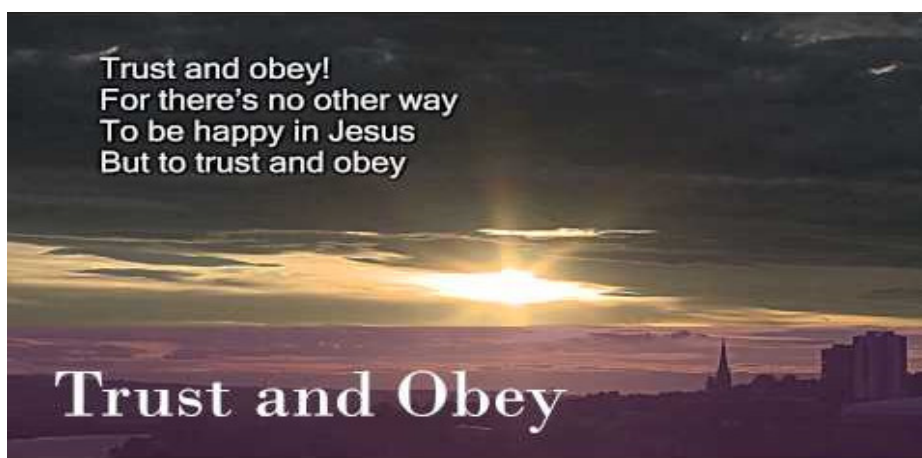
*"He must become great;
I must become less."
John 3:30*



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Trust and obey!
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus
But to trust and obey

Trust and Obey

"Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."
Hebrews 13:20-21

Monday	Jan. 30	TRIP Orders due 9 a.m.
Tuesday	Jan. 31	
Wednesday	Feb. 01	Library
Thursday	Feb. 02	
Friday	Feb. 03	TRIP Pickup 3 p.m.

From our School Community:



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THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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.

High School Registration Intention Forms: Forms were sent home today to all parents of Grade 8 and 9 students. Please fill out and return to the office by **Friday, February, 10**. We would like to be able to give the finance committee projected enrollment numbers for the budget that will be discussed at the Spring Meeting. *The administration assumes that all other students in JK-7 will be returning to T.B.C.S. unless notified otherwise. If you are not returning, please contact the school 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. The sticks brought to the school need to stay at the school.

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 - 1 person Monday afternoon and 1 person Wednesday afternoon. Please contact Jenny Mol 475-6995, jhmol@tbaytel.net, text 626-0442 or call the store at 622-7575.

Oliver Paipoonge 2016 Fire Prevention Poster Contest Winners: Congratulations to Kara Van Elburg who won first place in the Grade 5 and 6 division and Eli Schep who won second place in the Grade 1 and 2 division of the poster contest. Thank you to all those who took the time to enter the contest.

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 (807-707-0741), twiceasnice@tbaytel.net or jhmol@tbaytel.net.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

The February package went home with your child on Wednesday. Please let me know if you did not receive it and I will send home another. Thanks!

Up & Coming:

Wednesday: Library Day

JK- Return your completed January Reading Record (if you haven't already done so)

Grades 1 & 2 – Miss Boyes, Mrs. Baxter

Miss Boyes: Grade 1 and 2

Bible: We have started learning about Esther and how the king of Babylon chose her to be his queen. We learned that even though the name, God, is not mentioned in the book of Esther, we see how He is always looking out for His people.

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.'"

Science: We have started a new unit in science on movement. We have started exploring how our bodies move by doing movements in different directions (forward, backward, up, down, etc.) in the gym. We also talked about the reasons God created us to move and how we are able to move (muscles).

*A class list went home with your child to be used as a reference for Valentine's Day.

Grade 2

Language Arts: This week we talked about what the characters and setting are in the book "The Most Magnificent Thing". We made flip books on the various characters and the setting, which we now know is where the story takes place. We also went over how to use capitals and periods properly again. We will continue to practice this throughout the year.

Spelling Words: New spelling words went home this week. The next spelling test will be on February 3rd.

Math: We continue working with length using nonstandard measuring units. We have been measuring different objects around the room using various sizes of paper clips and cubes. On our combined day with the grades one class we were challenged to make the longest paper chain using one piece of paper. We realized that even though we had the same size paper we all had very different results. The longest chain was 14 cupboards long!

Mrs. Baxter: Grade 1

During math this week we have been continuing with measurement, including the distance around objects. We have also been learning new number sense games and activities. Blake was the star of the week this week. Thanks for the great week class!! Next week we will be adding guided reading groups to our literacy block.

Mrs. Hawkins: Students learned the note "fa" this week and played games.

Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan

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

Thank you for the dry ingredients being sent in! If you have not already done so, please send in approximately one cup of dry ingredients (ie. lentils, dry peas, rice, popcorn, etc.) to weight down a water bottle.

This week a class list was sent home to assist your child in writing valentines. Please use this to make sure no one is left out. If your child did not get one, ask him/her to get one. Thank you.

Highlights this week:

- Bible: We have been learning about servanthood and also began preparing for our upcoming assembly.
- Math Grade 4: We have continued with a variety of measurements.
- Math Grade 3: We completed a quiz and began learning about perimeter.
- Literature: We read other books in the "Nanabush" series.

Coming Up:

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

Tuesday: Chunks due
January Book Report due!

Wednesday: Please return all Library books.

Thursday: Spelling tests
Math fact homework due

Mrs. Baxter:

French Grade 3/4 - This week we have been reviewing our French knowledge and learning how to answer basic questions. We will have a question of the day starting this week. We will also be starting a seasons unit.

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students played recorders and Boomwhackers this week.

Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen

It was a short but very fun and full week! The students worked very hard on their school work and wrote tests in spelling, grammar (quiz), math (gr. 5), and Bible. Scores on all the tests were fantastic! I was so proud of the class on the way they were able to learn their memory work this week which was 7 verses long! Way to go!

We also had a wonderful time during our LOCK IN yesterday! We got into comfortable clothes, relaxed with blankets, pillows, stuffies, and snacks, and read for the last block of the day! Fifteen of us were able to read a total of 866 pages! Hopefully this reading session will go a long way in helping students finish their reading requirements for January and even get a start on the February reading.

We loved having Avery S. visit us for a short time this week and are missing her very much. She has been unwell and away from school for the last several weeks, and we hope she will soon be well enough to return to school and her regular activities!

Hot dog hot lunch made the day extra fun and was a tasty treat! Thank you!

We enjoyed skating on the rink today and were glad that the weather cooled enough to be able to get outside!

Next Week:

Memory Work: Psalm 121: 5-8

Monday: Spelling test - Unit 18

Math test - Gr. 6 (Measurement)

Tuesday/Thursday: Skating on the rink (weather permitting)

Friday: Grammar Test - Units 13-18

Mrs. Baxter: French- This week we have been reviewing our French knowledge and learning how to answer basic questions. We will have a question of the day starting this week. We will also be starting a seasons unit.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Music- Students learned about thumb strumming this week. Students also learned the song "God is so Good".

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 is coming to the end of a chapter dealing with geometry. Many new concepts were learned and we are planning a test on Tuesday. Grade 8 is also coming to the end of a chapter in patterns and algebra. Unit test will also be Tuesday.

Language Arts - A movie poster book report was handed out and explained today. It will be due by the end of February. Of course, they can be handed in any time before then. We continue to read "I Am David" and are enjoying witnessing him exploring a house for the first time. Spelling unit 20 next week.

Tuesday - Math test (both grades)

Wednesday - Return library books

Thursday - Spelling unit 20 due

Friday - Spelling test

Mrs. Mol:

Bible - We discussed whether or not Proverbs belongs in the Bible, and if it actually points to the Triune God. We discussed how some critics claim it is similar to other wisdom literature of the time and area, so we did some digging into the book to see that it actually does tell us lots about our God! A reminder that Journaling through Proverbs culminating activity is due on February 2 (less than a week to go!).

History - We learned more about the feudal system in the Middle Ages by having some snacks and drinks while wearing our hats. Ask your student what they got for a snack, what happened and how they felt about it! We also worked on the Middle Ages projects, which will be presented on February 28 and March 2.

Geography - The students continued working on their tundra regions group projects. These are due on February 7, so they should be nearing completion by now!

Mr. Himanen:

Health - Next week the students will be learning about our amazing circulatory system and how it works in conjunction with the respiratory system to help us live each and every day.

Science - Next week the students will be completing their lab report for their Polymers experiment. They will also be continuing to look at different ways that we can dispose of hazardous chemicals that are used today in industry.

Guitar - Students need to keep practising and memorizing where the different notes are played on the guitar.

Mme Tempelman:

French - Grade 8 is working on developing a skit with all involved in a visit to a French restaurant.

Grade 7 are reviewing greetings, introductions, time, weather, numbers while increasing their vocabulary and solidifying their pronunciation and practice of verb tenses. Continue listening to the radio 89.3FM and working on duolingo-french.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Band: Please practice page 11 and you band pieces this weekend.

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

Mrs. Mol:

The high school students wrote their midterm exams this week. I trust that they are all happy this week is over now! Expect midterm report cards to come home next week, with parent-teacher interviews to be scheduled the week after. On Monday, we begin our regular class schedule again.

Mr. Himanen:

History: The students will be learning about the Battle of Britain in class next week. Germany planned to invade England, but needed to control the skies above the English Channel for the invasion to take place. We will also be watching the film Battle of Britain which is a classic historical movie outlining the events of that battle.

Outdoor Education: Students need to bring their skates, helmet, and stick to the school as we plan to be on the school rink this coming week. Depending on the weather, we may also need our skis or snowshoes during the week.

Mme Tempelman:

French: Students wrote their mid-term exams with a large component being oral. Each was given the opportunity to introduce themselves, sharing some of their interests, speak about the weather, past and present, and "order food" from a french restaurant menu. The written component included this as well as our work with vocabulary and verb conjugation.

Go online and study the importance of bilingualism for Canadian politicians as is debated in the conservative party leadership race and our responses to this for Tuesday.