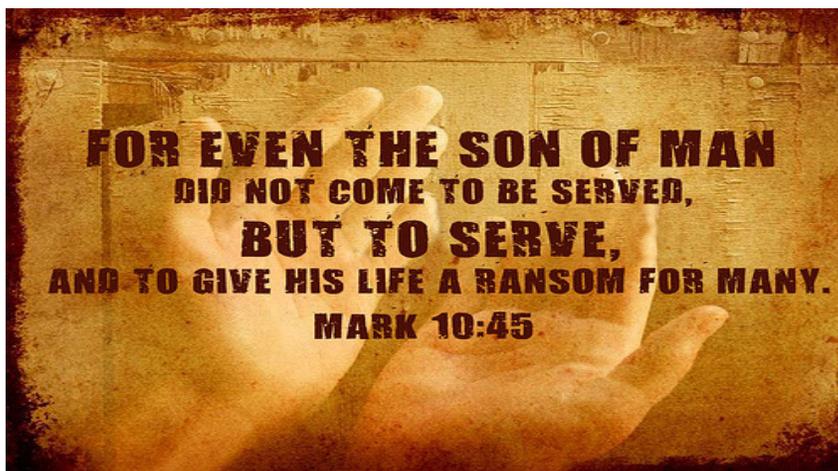




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*"He must become great;
I must become less."
John 3:30*



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Monday	Feb. 06	TRIP Orders due Immunizations Gr. 7 & 10	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 07	Registration/Open House High School Information Evening	9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. & 7:00 -9:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 08	Library Registration/Open House	9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Thursday	Feb. 09		
Friday	Feb. 10	Pizza Hot Lunch TRIP Pickup	3:00 p.m.

From our School Community:

Our Condolences are extended to Dave and Margaret Hawkins & Family and to the Voortman and Staal Families on the passing away of their grandmothers. May the God of all comfort grant you his peace during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you.

High School Parent Teacher Interviews have been scheduled for Monday, February 13, at 7:30 pm at the school.

High School Reports Cards were sent home with the students today. Enclosed in the envelopes was information about diploma requirements and community service.

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.

Cheese Please! A Thunder Oak Cheese Fundraiser in support of T.B.C.S. Student Fund is underway. 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 last week 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 for next week - Monday morning and afternoon, Tuesday morning and afternoon, Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoon. Please contact Jenny Mol if you are available - 475-6995, jhmol@tbaytel.net, text 626-0442, store 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 (807-707-0741), twiceasnice@tbaytel.net. or jhmol@tbaytel.net.

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.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

A white updated newsletter/calendar went home today, please recycle the pink one sent home last week. Thanks!

Next week, we are looking forward to filling our Valentine mailboxes, skating for gym, a field trip to Ornge and our Valentine's party!

Grades 1 & 2 – Miss Boyes, Mrs. Baxter

Miss Boyes: Grade 1 and 2

Bible: We have finished up our Bible unit on Esther. We learned how she saved her people from Haman's plot. We saw how her strength and trust in God carried her through it all.

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 looked at the power of wind this week. We made pinwheels and experimented with them. We figured out that spinning and running made them rotate the fastest.

Grade 2

Language Arts: We used our knowledge on characters this week to create comics. We talked about how often pictures tell a big part of the story. We learned that if we don't know a word while reading we can look at the picture to help us figure out the word.

Spelling test: New words went home this week. Next spelling test will be on February 10.

Reading log: Make sure to bring back the January reading log! The February log went out earlier this week. Happy reading. :)

Math: We learned about centimeters (cm) and meters (m) this week. We started to use these to measure different things around that classroom. We are finding that using a ruler is a much easier way to measure.

Mrs. Baxter: Grade 1

During math this week we have been estimating and measuring objects around the room using paper clips. This coming week we will be working on writing lists. We will also be retelling stories using pictures and sentences. The class did such a great job drawing the setting of the book, *Town Mouse, Country Mouse* by Jan Brett. They were asked to pay attention to detail and include it in their picture. We will continue to work on details and how to retell the story elements.

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students sang songs about boats this week and learned about the Canadian Folksong, "Lukey's Boat."

Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan

Work folders come home today with new Reading Logs, new Word Wall Words and Math fact homework.

Our class is considering the possibility of going Curling for a winter elective. If anyone is able to assist with volunteering for an afternoon and showing the students some of the techniques, please let me know as soon as possible. Thank you!

Highlights this week:

- Bible: We have been practicing various skits about being a servant.
- Math Grade 4: We have continued with a variety of measurements and perimeter activities.
- Math Grade 3: We did various assignments with perimeter and completed a quiz about perimeter.
- Literature: We completed comprehension activities and we are learning to write answers in complete sentences.

Coming Up:

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

Tuesday: Chunks due

Wednesday: Please return all Library books.

Thursday: Spelling tests

Math fact homework due

Mrs. Baxter:

Grade 3 French- This week we will be learning more ways to describe someone. Je suis malade etc. We are also working on our number recognition by playing 'J'ai __, Qui a ___'?

Gr 4 French- This week we are learning our vocabulary for the season's unit. We will be listening to proper pronunciation and practicing using a great online tool called *Language Learning Guide*. We are also working on our number recognition by playing 'J'ai __, Qui a ___'?

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students practiced naming notes and writing verses for "I'm an Acorn". They also played recorders this week.

Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen

We welcomed back Avery this week who was away for some time. It was so good to see her again and have her back in our "family"!

We really enjoyed skating this week on the mildest of all the days! We are very appreciative of all the work that goes into making the rink operational. During our other gym period, we worked on basketball skills.

In the classroom, the students were very busy preparing for and writing unit tests. Both grades wrote tests in grammar, spelling, social studies, and math. Please make yourself aware of the progress of your child on these tests. The grammar test and the grade five math test will be returned to the students on Monday.

In Bible we began a 15 lesson unit on the Patriarchs which goes from Abram to Joseph. In our novel study, Matt and Attean are learning to understand each other's culture and ways of doing things and are starting to become friends.

Most students have finished their book reading requirements for January. For February and March the students will need to read 3 books altogether. Students have been given their book report sheets for the first of those books. They will practice being a "Connector" and a "Word Wizard". Later in the year we will use these formats when we break into groups to do Literature Circles.

Next Week:

Memory Work: 1 Samuel 16:7

Monday: Spelling test - Unit 19

Mrs. Baxter: French- This week we are learning our vocabulary for the season's unit. We will be listening to proper pronunciation and practicing using a great online tool called language learning guide. We are also working on our number recognition by playing 'Jai __, Qui a____'?

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students practiced chord transitions this week.

Computers- Students received a new assignment using Google Slides. Students are to create a slideshow on a topic of their choice.

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

Mrs. Voortman:

Math- Both grades completed units and had success in writing unit tests. Ask your son or daughter to see their results. Grade 7 has started working on decimals and fractions while grade 8 is working on perfect squares.

Language Arts-We continue on adventures with David in our novel study. This week he has entered a house and a church for the first time. In spelling we will be working on unit 21 this week (due Thursday).

Mrs. Mol:

Bible- We have finished our unit on Proverbs; I still have not received everyone's *Journaling through Proverbs* assignment, so please make sure those come in ASAP. Our new unit is on Habakkuk and we will be looking at the tough questions we sometimes have (ie. Why does God let bad things happen?).

History- This week we learned about indulgences and the belief of purgatory in the early Roman Catholic Church. We discussed why we, as Protestant Christians, do not follow these same beliefs. We also learned about what it was like to be a monk during the Middle Ages. We had some fun activities this week, be sure to ask your student about them!

Geography- The students had their final work period for the tundra regions project. These reports are due on Tuesday; please ensure they are handed in on time, as we have had many, many work periods to complete them. Next week we will continue moving through our unit on the tundra.

Mr. Himanen:

Science- The students will be completing their chemistry unit in the coming week. Students should begin to review their notes in preparation for the test that will occur the following week.

Guitar- Students will be learning to play the notes for the song "When the Saints Go Marching In" next week. We will also continue to learn the chords and strumming pattern of some new songs.

Computer- The students will be learning how to create their own websites using the Wix.com program.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Grade 7 Band: Students will have a playing test on "The Crusaders" on Monday.

Grade 7/8 Art: Students started a perspective drawing this week.

Mme. Tempelman: French- Grade 7 began with a Skype call to the students in France discussing weather and time. After this students worked on their sports project due Wed. Feb. 8.

Grade 8 performed their restaurant skit and then prepared for a Skype call on Tuesday discussing favorite sports, leisure time and week-end activities. With both classes much work was done on comprehension and listening exercises. Continue work with Duolingo-French and listening to 89.3FM. Listen to "A French Story You'll Understand" on Youtube.

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

Mrs. Mol:

Grade 9 Math - We began chapter 6 this week, which takes a deeper look at linear relations. We learned about slope-intercept form, standard form and graphing using x- and y-intercepts.

Grade 10 Math - We are wrapping up chapter 4 this week. We learned about vertex form and factored form for quadratic relations.

English- We are finishing up our unit on *Lord of the Flies* with a mini unit on essay writing. We chose topics, wrote focus statements and thesis statements, and started writing our 3 body paragraphs. Next week we will finish writing these body paragraphs and then move backwards and write our introductions.

Bible- We continued studying Galatians by taking a closer look at what the accusations were against Paul, and how he responded. We discussed how we should respond when untrue things are said about us. We also did a bit of Bible translating ourselves (from NIV into even more modern language). The students have started the

final assignment for Galatians, an in-depth exegesis of the last 4 chapters. We will continue working on these next week.

Science- This week we talked about clean energy sources and the students started a brochure on a chosen source. These are due on Mon. Feb. 13. We also talked about some arguments of skepticism against climate change and whether or not they are valid arguments.

Mr. Himanen:

History- The students have learned about the Battle of Britain and how seemingly insignificant events at the time changed the course of history. It continues to show that God is always in control of what is happening in this world. Next week we will study the effects that WW2 had on Canada, both socially and economically.

Outdoor Education- The plan for next week is to continue to skate on the rink and to go cross country skiing if the weather allows that. We are waiting for some more snow to begin building our snow shelters and to do some more skiing and snowshoeing. Let it snow!

Mrs. Hawkins:

AVI10- Students continued working on perspective drawings this week.

Mme Tempelman:

French- Students prepared for their Skype call on Wednesday. There was much work on comprehension and listening activities. The debate regarding bilingualism in Canada and its growing importance for political leaders was investigated. Everyone listen to "A French Story You'll Understand" on Youtube, again this weekend, and complete the exercise for Tuesday. Continue work on Duolingo-French and listening to 89.3FM.