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WE ARE SECOND TO THE ONE

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



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Monday	May 8	TRIP Orders due TAN Meeting at T.B.C.S.	9:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 9		
Wednesday	May 10	Library JK/SK Swimming	
Thursday	May 11		
Friday	May 12	Gr. 1 & 2 Swimming TRIP Pick up	3:00 p.m.

From our School Community:

Celebration Tea: Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, and special friends who attended this year's Grandparent's/Special Friend's Celebration Tea. It was great to have you all here to watch the students share their skills and talents during the afternoon program. Thank you also to the staff and students for preparing their presentations and to the all the people involved in preparing and serving the refreshments. We are certainly blessed to have such a strong Christian community and it is great that we can celebrate that on these special days

City Bus Route: John Meijaard will be driving the city bus until the end of the school year. Changes have been made to the route so a new schedule for pickup times was sent home with your children yesterday. John's cell phone number is 629-0344.

Grade 7 Parents: Please send \$20/family to the school as part of the graduation costs. Each family will be contacted by the charge person in order to outline and organize each family's duties and responsibilities for the graduation dinner.

Eighties Day: Our special Eighties Day that was scheduled for last week will now take place on Wednesday, May 10. We hope that everyone still has their 'RAD' outfits ready to go for that day.

Track and Field: This cold weather hasn't been easy to start running practices for our track and field team. We will try to do some practicing next week during recesses as the weather permits. After school practices should begin the following week.

Volunteer Recess Duty: If anyone can help out with recess duty (10:40-11:10 a.m.) in May and June please contact Tiffany Cramer at 622-6987. Thank you.

Graduate Baby Pictures: Grade 8 students, please look through your baby pictures and pick one to go in the graduation book and hand it in to the office. We will return the original picture to you.

The Ace Committee is currently looking for some new members. If interested or to find out more please contact Devin Breukelman at 627-0610.

Twice as Nice: Next week is the first week we try and increase the staffing at the store by getting some more volunteer hours from the parents with children in TBCS. There are still some needs left for this week and maybe if you can't help out during your team's week you could help next week instead. We especially need volunteers for tomorrow, there are no volunteers scheduled at the store for either shift this Saturday and Jackie can't work alone. If you're available please let Jenny or your team leader know. Next week, we need volunteers for every afternoon shift and also Saturday morning.

Maltese Grocery Meat Fundraiser: The school is doing a meat fundraiser for the Student Fund which helps pay for field trips, winter electives, ribbons, awards, etc. Please hand in all order forms by **Friday, May 26**. The projected date of delivery is June 7.

T.B.C.S. 15th Annual Golf Tournament: It's that time of year again! Dust off those clubs and join us for a fun day! This year's 18 Hole Best Ball Tournament at the beautiful Northern Lights Golf Complex will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2017. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 10:00 a.m. The Golf Tournament Committee is looking for donations of beef roasts for the Golf Tournament Lunch, any willing workers for the tournament day, and for your prayers during the planning of the event. Please contact the school if you can help us out. Committee members are: Emily Streutker, Laura Vanlenthe, Amanda Breukelman, Janice Groenheide, Shawn Jaspers, and Connie Dykstra.

Skate-a-thon: The total collected so far is **\$22,171.70!** The total outstanding is **\$1,565.00**. Committee members will soon be contacting those who have sponsored children but not sent in their pledged amounts. A few families also have yet to hand in their forms. Please help us wrap up this fundraiser and reach our budgeted goal of \$25,000.00!

Bus Driver Job Opportunity: The Transportation Committee is currently looking for a bus driver for the school. If you are interested in this position, please send a resume to the school or contact Arnold Breukelman at 474-3240 for more information.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

We had a fabulous time swimming and performing at the Celebration Tea for our guests. I hope you heard lots of details since we had many guests stopping by to visit with us and see our classroom after the tea performance. It was great!

A new bright orange calendar and newsletter is coming home due to a schedule change. Please recycle the light green one that came out earlier this week and refer only to this one. Thanks!

A number of students have not yet brought in their swimming payment. Please do so by **Wednesday, May 9.**

Moms, we are looking forward to our special day with you soon!

Grades 1 & 2 – Miss Boyes, Mrs. Baxter

Miss Boyes: Grade 1 and 2

Bible: We learned about the Pentecost and how Jesus keeps his promises. Jesus had fulfilled many promises with his disciples. He promised to send a helper and he kept that promise when he sent us the Holy Spirit.

Memory Work: Romans 12:2 "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will."

Science: We started our science unit on God's creation. We learned about different water and land forms that we can find on our beautiful earth.

Grade 2

Language Arts: This week we talked about compound words. We learned that they are two words joined together to create a new meaning.

New spelling words: knew, won't, joke, junk, buy, bug, don't, can't, they're, won.

Next spelling test on Friday, May 12.

Since it is a new month please send in last month's reading log.

Math: We have started learning about money. We learned the value of the coins that we have in Canada. We put our previous knowledge of skip counting to use and this helped us count coins.

Mrs. Baxter: Grade 1

This week the grade one students have been finding facts to include in their non-fiction books about an animal of their choice. They started the writing process and have worked hard.

We continue to build number sense as the students practice word addition problems. Next week we will practice word subtraction problems.

Reminders: Spelling words for this week: went, sent, ant, bend, find, mind, kind, want.

Spelling Test: Friday, May 12.

Reading logs due Mondays. If you did not receive one please email me at alexcombaxter@gmail.com and I can send it to you via email.

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students participated in many action songs and learned about the quarter rest this week.

Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan

Work folders come home today with new Math homework. Words from the Word Wall between F and M are our focus this week. A new book project assignment is coming home as well. For those that have completed all the book reports this year, this will be the final book report. Those who missed any will still be required to do one more.

Highlights this week:

- Bible: Solomon's reign ended and the division between Israel and Judah has taken place.
- Math Grade 4: We began working with division statements.
- Math Grade 3: We completed a test which comes home today. We also started working with division.
- Social Studies: We compiled our papers together and highlighted areas to study for our upcoming test. Please help your child prepare for the test on Wednesday.

Coming Up:

Monday: Please return signed behaviour charts and emptied folders.

Wednesday: Please return all Library books.
Social Studies Test

Thursday: Review Tests F – M

Mrs. Hawkins: Music- Students played their recorders well at the Celebration Tea.

Mrs. Baxter:

Gr. 3 French- The grade 3's did a great job on their free choice French project. We will continue to learn new vocabulary next week

Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen

It was wonderful to see so many grandparents and special friends at the Celebration Tea this week! We enjoyed playing our ukuleles and performing our memory work and dance for our special guests! We are so thankful to Mr. Hoogsteen for rescuing us and allowing us to use his phone to play the music we needed when it was found that our CD had been scratched. It was also fun to have our guests visit us in our classrooms afterward. We are so thankful for these special people in our lives, and while some may not have been able to be here with us today, we know that they are always close to our hearts.

Congratulations to Faith for reading a full row of 30 books! She will enjoy a special treat for her efforts!

This week we were busy trying to make up some work which was missed due to the 3 ice days. The students worked hard and wrote tests in spelling, math, and science.

In science we will study the endocrine system and how we grow. In Bible we studied the life of Jacob and his struggles with his uncle Laban. We learned how his name was changed to Israel thus, his people became known as the Israelites. Next week we focus on Joseph and will wrap up the unit with a test on Thursday.

Next Week:

Memory Work: Romans 12:16

Monday: Spelling test - Unit 31

Thursday: Bible test

Mrs. Hawkins:

Music- Students played well at the Celebration Tea.

Computers- Students tried Pixton comic generator this week.

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

Mrs. Voortman:

Math: Grade 7 has started a new unit on data management and learned how to construct and read a stem and leaf plot for the first time. We will also be working on finding measures of central tendency (mean, median, mode, range).

Grade 8 is working on coordinate grids which is also new for them. We have been learning various transformations (reflections, translations, rotations).

Both grades are doing extremely well for being introduced to this new material for the very first time.

Language Arts: This week we are working on lesson 33 in spelling. Grade 7 completed a grammar test and did extremely well. Grade 8 will be having a test on Wednesday. We continue to work with poetry and will be specifically working with personification, onomatopoeia, and alliteration next week.

Mrs. Mol:

Bible- This week we learned about how the early Christians were learning that the good news of the gospel was not meant to just be for Jews, but for Gentiles and everyone else! We also learned about when believers were first called "Christians" and Peter's escape from prison after the church prayed to God.

History- The students presented their tableaux depicting scenes with the popolo grosso, popolo minuto and poor of the Renaissance time. These were very well done; great work, class! We also learned about the powerful Medici family. A reminder that the webquest is due on Tuesday if not completed in class.

Geography- We learned about the "boom and bust" economy/industry in Brazil and discussed how it is different from Canada. We also learned a little more about Brazil's history, traditions and festivals.

Mr. Himanen:

Science: The class will be having their unit test on the Amazing Atmosphere next week on Wednesday, May 10. Students have completed a review page which they can use to review the material covered in the unit.

Guitar 8: Students will need to play their songs this week since we missed several days of school last week.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Grade 7 Band- Congratulations on a great performance at the Celebration Tea.

7/8 Art – Final due date for Cartoon Colour Study has been extended to May 12 because of the ice storm.

Mme. Tempelman: French- This week we worked on possessive pronouns and looked at the French school system. Students learned the school subjects in French. Grade 8 students are each preparing a short informative paragraph of various aspects of their school day to share with students in France. Keep up with Duo lingo, don't let your scores drop from not working on it. Keep listening to 89.3 FM and maybe watch a movie in French.

Grades 9 & 10 -, Mrs. Mol, Mr. Himanen, Mrs. Hawkins, Mme. Tempelman

Mrs. Mol: Grade 9 Math- We began chapter 8 this week by reviewing the Pythagorean Theorem, finding the perimeter and area of composite figures, and calculating the surface area and volume of prisms and pyramids.

Grade 10 Math- The students wrote the chapter 7 test and everybody did phenomenally well. Great job on a difficult unit! We have begun the final chapter of the course, which continues our study of trigonometry. The students learned the sine and cosine laws this week.

English- This week the students wrote their "I Am" poems for the Celebration Tea, and I was very proud of all of the insights about themselves they were willing to share. They also worked on their anthology projects, which are due on Friday, June 9 (the final day of classes). Only 5 weeks left, so please ensure you are working on these at home too! We also continued reading through The Merchant of Venice.

Bible- We finished our short study of the book of James, and began our final unit on Revelation. I am excited to dive into this amazing book together with the students! We began by brainstorming what we already knew about Revelation, and discussed new creation. What will it look like? Will we eat or sleep? Will we recognize people? How will it come about? What will happen? This was a great conversation and I look forward to hearing more insights and questions from the students as we continue through the unit. We learned some background info and context of the book, and started reading chapters 1-3.

Science- The students wrote the unit test for light and optics, and we have now begun our final unit on chemistry. We began by reviewing information about and patterns in the periodic table, and atoms and ions.

Mr. Himanen:

History: The students will be continuing their study of the relationship between Canada and the United States that we were unable to complete last week. The students will also begin work on their culminating research project next week.

Outdoor Education: The students had a great experience last week as we had the opportunity to learn the basics of scuba-diving at the Canada Games Complex. Next week the students will be learning about Geocaching as they use GPS units to find different geocaches hidden in the areas around the school.

Mrs. Hawkins: AVI 10- Students worked on a water colour painting this week.

Mme. Tempelman: French- Students worked on possessive pronouns and then looked at our school subjects in French. We looked at how the French school system worked, how the grades were very different from ours and how their typical school day is not the same as ours in Thunder Bay. They listened to how French students felt about their school week. Students are to have prepared an informative paragraph on a specific aspect of their school week to share with students in France. Keep working on Duo lingo, raising your score and listening to 89.3 FM.