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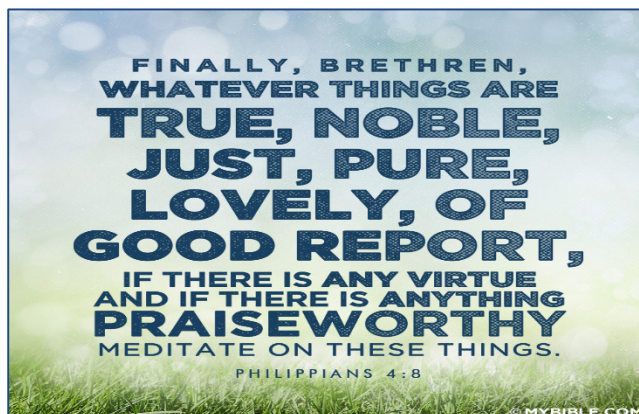
*"He must become great;
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John 3:30*



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Monday	Oct. 31	TRIP Orders due	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Nov. 01		
Wednesday	Nov. 02	Library	
Thursday	Nov. 03	Delivery of Mom's Pantry	
Friday	Nov. 04	TRIP Pickup Active U-Gr. 3-6	3:00 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 05	Pancake Breakfast	7:30-11:00 a.m.

Farewell to Devin & Kara Jaspers and family (Liam-Gr. 1, Jillian-SK). We wish you God's blessings as you make Alberta your new home. We will miss you and want to thank you for your support and participation in the T.B.C.S. community.

Edifide Conference: The teachers will be attending the Edifide conference on Thursday and Friday this week. There is no school on those days. Please pray for safe travel.

Mom's Pantry Deliveries: The grade 8's are reminded that you are responsible to deliver orders to your customers. The orders will be ready on Thursday, Nov. 3 at 3:00 pm. Please plan to be here to get your child's orders since NO orders will be sent home on the bus because of the frozen items. If you can't make it on this day, please make arrangements for someone else to be here to pick it up. **2-3 sorting volunteers should be at the school by 2:00 p.m. Please call the school if you are able to help out.**

From our School Community:

Cross Country Running:

The 45th Annual Thunderwolves Mid-Canada Elementary School Run took place this past Saturday at Lakehead University. The 163 runners ranged in age from Grade 4 to Grade 8 and teams came from as far as Red Lake and Atikokan to participate in this event.

Congratulations are extended to the girls' team consisting of: Emma Staal (18th), Ava Kaemingh (27th), Kara VanElburg (33rd), Lauren Kaemingh (63rd) and Emelie Henny (64th). The girls' team ranked 6th out of 10 teams. The boys' team consisted of: Bradley Kaemingh (12th, Pyatt Bolt (22nd), Glenn Dykstra (35th) and Jared Jaspers (44th). Unfortunately, the boys did not qualify for a team ranking since they did not the minimum of 5 students running. However, these 9 students did a **superb** job representing our school! They put forth great effort, ran personal best times and placements, showed wonderful sportsmanship and are already looking forward to next year's race since they are a very young team! Fantastic job, runners!

Prayer Request: The school is asking the school community to remember Leah Brown and the Brown family in their prayers. Leah is recovering from her recent surgery, and will be in southern Ontario for the next number of weeks recovering. Please pray for a quick and healthy recovery for Leah, and for patience and peace for the family as they are with her during this time. The school is collecting gift cards and donations for the Brown family in order to help them as they are in Toronto and when they return to Thunder Bay. Any contribution would be appreciated and would be a blessing to the family as they deal with this situation.

Attendance Notes: The school would like to remind all the parents to contact the school office if their children will be absent from school because of an appointment, an activity, a family trip, or if the child(ren) will be picked up early from school. This will allow the school office to ensure that the teachers and the bus drivers all have knowledge of the activity that is planned.

Chocolate Bar Sale: This fundraiser is wrapping up. Our goal is to ***complete the sale before the end of October***. Profit for the student fund will be over \$2000 when all the money is handed in. There are still just a few more families that need to hand their sales in to the office. Thank you.

Pancake Breakfast: Come One, Come All! You are invited to come to the Annual Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale hosted by the Grade 8-10 classes at Thunder Bay Christian School on **Saturday, November 5** from 7:30-11:00 a.m. All profits from this breakfast and bake sale will go to support their class trips.

Fall Membership Meeting will take place Monday, November 7, 2016.

November Calendar is attached to today's journal.

Fire Prevention Poster Contest: The posters are due on **Thursday, November 10**. The theme for this year is 'Don't Wait, Check the Date' for smoke alarms.

Scholastic: Classroom flyers were sent home with your child yesterday. A special flyer 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 2. (Please remember to note the prices in the ONT column as they are occasionally higher.) Thank you.

Fall Newsletter was sent home with every family today.

From the Bazaar Committee: The bazaar is quickly approaching with only a few more weeks to prepare for this big event. The bazaar committee is asking everyone to please consider volunteering in any way possible. God has blessed us all with amazing gifts and we know he wants us to be encouraged and use these gifts in our life, whether it be an amazing baker who can donate a pie or cake to the delectable dessert table, a crafter or artistic person who could donate an item to our auction, or a helper who just wants to donate time in the kitchen, bake room, or with games to allow others to come in and enjoy our festivities! Some more additions to this year's event include the new Christmas room where you can come in and shop for decor and gifts in preparing for the blessed Christmas holiday, the new "pay and play" station where babysitting services will be offered to children 3 and under to be dropped off and supervised while parents and the older children can go enjoy some of the activities while the younger ones enjoy socializing with their little friends in a safe environment, and of course the biggest auction item this year will be the big beautiful windmill donated by the very talented Mr. Wagenaar. This will be the FINAL windmill made for the TBCS bazaar so please do not miss this opportunity to bid on the classic piece at our auction on Friday night starting at 8pm sharp. The bazaar committee would like to thank every one for the various donations thus far and ask that you continue to keep this event in your prayers. Thank you and please contact any member of the committee for details.

Twice As Nice Store Opportunities: We need one more helper for this Saturday morning shift 11am to 1:30pm, and for next week have opportunities Monday morning and afternoon, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon, Friday morning and both shifts on Saturday. Please contact Jenny Mol 475-6995, jhmol@tbaytel.net if you can help out.

THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 8:00 pm Mini-Minutes

Executive meets prior to meeting.

1. Eric Bron and Kevin Mol absent with notification
2. Bram D. reads John 4:34-41 and opens with prayer.
3. Adoption of minutes from previous meeting held September 20, 2016.
4. Correspondence- None
5. Leadership Team reports: a) Edifide convention for teachers next week b) Maternity leave positions to be filled
6. Committee Reports:
 - (a) Human resources - to meet Friday.
 - (b) Twice as Nice: a) Committee to hire assistant manager b) still in need volunteers
 - (c) Maintenance- Lambert Posthumus will be retiring after many years of service
7. Next meeting to be held November 15, 2016
8. Gerrit closes in prayer.

School Facilities Rental: Reminder that the office needs to be notified when the school facilities are required for an event or activity. Please contact the school office in an appropriate amount of time prior to the event taking place.

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.

From the Classrooms:

JK & SK - Mrs. Kaemingh

Whew, this week certainly flew by! Today we were really hopping with library, picture retakes and early dismissal while also earning more about Jacob and our season of Autumn.

Have a wonderful long weekend! ☺

Grades 1 & 2 – Mrs. Bolt, Mrs. Hamilton

Mrs. Bolt: Grade One and Two

Grade 1 and 2:

I hope that you will enjoy your extra long weekend with family and friends and we will see you on Monday. :) We had some fun this week discussing and making predictions about books before we read them. We even had a chance to predict and graph if Mrs. Bolt will have a boy or a girl. So far the class is predicting a girl. We will have to wait to find out!

Bible: We learned about King Ahab and how he was a very wicked king that disobeyed God.

Memory Work: Jeremiah 29:11- "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Due Nov. 4.

Grade 2:

Language Arts: We met superhero 'Chunk-a-tron' this week and learned to look for chunks in words as we read.

Please return the October reading sheets as soon as possible.

Spelling: New words went home this week. Our next Spelling quiz will be Nov. 4.

Math: We did some counting with tens and ones blocks this week.

Mrs. Hamilton: Grade One

What a short week! We packed a lot of work in to a short time. We looked at how we can use words that rhyme to write and read new words, as well as worked with numbers up to twenty. Next week we'll compare numbers to five and ten and begin adding. Our word wall words for the week will be: I, in, did, favourite, at. Please practice these words with your child at home. Don't forget to send your weekly reading logs back on Monday too!

Mrs. Hawkins: Music - Students about different types of voice in music.

Grades 3 & 4 - Miss de Haan

Work folders will come home today. Last week a Word Wall Review was sent home. Please take some time to practice these words at home as the test covers all these words. Thank you.

Using the Memory Work sheet that was sent home previously, we will be putting our focus onto verses 3 and 4.

Highlights this week:

- Bible: We learned about the downward spiral of Judges.
- Social Studies: We did an experiment trying to determine how to make a bridge stronger.
- Math Grade 4: We have been regrouping larger numbers with base ten materials and diagrams.
- Math Grade 3: We completed a test which will be in the folders today. Well done Grade 3's! We briefly began our new unit by discussing place value.
- Language: We completed our comprehension assignment regarding the two different opinions we read last week.

Coming Up:

Monday: Please return emptied Friday folder.
Wednesday: Please return all Library books.
Thursday: Spelling Review Tests

Mrs. Hawkins: Music - Students compared paintings to music this week.

Mme. Hamilton:

Grade Three French: Students will be working more intentionally with vocabulary that explains 'how they are doing' starting next week.

Grade Four French: Students will be getting continued practice using the school vocabulary we have learned over the last few weeks. We will begin to work on assignments and projects that review and use a variety of the words we have learned.

Grades 5 & 6 - Mrs. Himanen

It was a short but very full "week" of school! First of all, let me say what a pleasure and a privilege it is to teach your children! They are a great group of individuals! Each day I look forward to interacting with them, and I feel blessed to be able to watch them learn and grow!

Students enjoyed some fun interactive activities in science while learning about forest communities. In groups they acted, developed, and performed skits demonstrating the relationship between producers, consumers, and decomposers. They also worked in groups to make models of the stages of forest succession. We will be soon wrapping up this unit in science, and there will be a test next week on lessons 6-9.

I have finished reading the class the book called *Escape from the Island of Aquarius*.

The students thoroughly enjoyed this suspense filled mystery and learned a lot about how important it is to know God as Savior.

We are also almost finished the unit in *World of Literature* on growing and changing. We read a story by Jean Little called "New School Pains" which described her experience of entering a new school and being taunted and bullied by some of her classmates. Jean learns more about how to deal with the situation. We discussed what we could do to welcome new students to our school and make them feel welcomed. Students will write a unit test next week and then we will begin our first novel study of the year.

I am looking forward to traveling to the convention this week to fellowship with other teachers and to learn more about the craft of teaching. Thank you to the board and community for making it possible for the teachers to travel to convention.

**Students, enjoy your loooong weekend! Be sure to take time to read and complete your book report. Remember that you need to read 2 books for November so be sure to get a head start.

Next Week:

Memory Work: Books of the New Testament and their categories

Monday: Spelling test - Unit 7

Tuesday: Book report due

Friday: Active U at L.U.

Wednesday/Thursday: Science and Literature tests (dates to be determined)

**Note - I do my best to anticipate what we are able to get accomplished in a given week. Sometimes it takes longer than I expect or our schedule is interrupted for various reasons. Please remember that all test dates are subject to change and that changes are sometimes made to give the students ample opportunity to prepare and study.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Music - Students played more songs and learned about a few notes found on the E string.

Mme. Hamilton:

Grade Five/Six French: Students will be getting continued practice using the school vocabulary we have learned over the last few weeks. We will begin to work on assignments and projects that review and use a variety of the words we have learned.

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

Bazaar Box - We are teaming up with the grade 9/10 class. The boys need to bring an item (\$10-\$15) for our SPORTS box. The girls should bring an item (\$10-15) for our SPA box.

Math - Grade 7 has been working on equations, expressions and solving word problems using equations. Grade 8 has been working on order of operations involving fractions.

Language Arts - This week we worked on the short story "dark they were and golden eyed". (We tried to figure out the significance of the title using lower case letters).

Mrs. Mol:

Bible - We finished with the secret of growth this week. We read *The Tale of Three Trees*, a short story about trees who had big dreams for their lives, but found out that God was going to have them achieve these dreams in some different ways. Remember that we will be having a completion check of the secrets boxes on Tuesday, so make sure you are caught up with response cards and symbols!

History - We talked about laws and rules, and how the Romans didn't have any laws written down until the middle class got sick of the differentiated treatments and created the Twelve Tables. We read through these and re-worded some of them into modern day language. We also read the 10 Commandments and discussed why God gave them to us.

Geography - We continued working on the water collage. There will be a work period for this next Tuesday.

All the grade 7/8 students with any outstanding work were sent home with a list of what to catch up on over the long weekend. Any outstanding work will be accepted on Tuesday, but after that, these assignments will be granted a mark of zero. Please make sure your student is catching up.

Mr. Himanen:

Science-The class is nearing the end of their unit on cells. Next week we will be wrapping up the unit with an activity that looks at how water and minerals are transported through a plant. The class will be then reviewing the material in the unit prior to the test which will take place the following week.

Grade 8 Guitar-The students will be having a short playing test next Wednesday to demonstrate their knowledge of the chords learned so far this year.

Mrs. Hawkins:

Grade 7 Band-Students performed their playing tests this week. Please practice pages 7 and 8 over the weekend.

Mme. Tempelman: This week we have begun vocabulary on the weather. Please listen to MeteoMedia over the next week and record the daily weather. Continue with Duolingo and watch a movie in French over the PD days. Keep listening to the radio 89.3 FM.

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

Mrs. Mol:

Grade 9 Math - This week we looked at solving equations with fractions, and then did some mid-chapter review to make sure we are all whizzes at solving equations!

Grade 10 Math - We reviewed chapter 2 for the chapter test next week.

English - Students wrote the unit test for *The Pearl* and worked on their anthology projects. Next week, we begin a unit on *Lord of the Flies*.

Bible - We learned about how the theme of Matthew is that Jesus fulfills everything from the Old Testament. An assignment was started; we will continue working on this next week.

Science - We learned about the nervous system and did an activity to test reaction times. Next week we will look at how all organ systems interact, as well as organ transplantation.

Mr. Himanen: History - The class will be completing their study of World War 1 next week by looking at the end of the war and the effects of the Treaty of Versailles. The students will be having their unit test the following week. The students will also be completing their Remembrance Day posters next week.

Mrs. Hawkins: AVI10 - Students were assigned a third homework project on gesture drawing. This assignment is due November 11th. Students were given time to work on the class assignment, "Big Shading Thingy".

Mme. Tempelman: The students enjoyed a Skype conversation with Pastor Karis of Eglise Reformee de St-Jean, Montreal. He mentioned how fortunate we were to have a Christian School in a city of 100,000, where in Montreal, a city of 4 million there is only one Christian School. Students were introduced to the vocabulary for weather and asked to record the weather for the following week. Listen to Meteomedia.com as well as continuing to work on Duolingo. Watch a movie in French and listen to 89.3 FM=