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# **Looking Ahead:**

Tues. Nov. 15	Volleyball	3:30 p.m.
Wed. Nov. 16	Library	
Thurs. Nov. 17	Bazaar	7-10 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 18	PA Day No School	
	Bazaar	6-10 p.m.

## **School News & Updates:**

**ODR Hockey is Back!** Planning has been in the works and ice time is being booked! We're hoping to hold a few indoor skates this year and have a few times scheduled already! Nick Henny will be taking names for official sign up and answering any questions at the Bazaar. This is for Grades 4+ - prior skating and some hockey experience is required, as well as full equipment. This is a fun but competitive hockey "league". First practice/parents' meeting will be held in the TBCS gym on Friday, November 25th, from 6:30-8:00 pm, and first skates will be held December 1st, 8th, and 15th from 4:30-5:30 at the Norwest Arena. Any questions/concerns prior to the Bazaar are to be directed to Nick, by text, at 632-3835, or Jami at 629-5347. Let's play hockey!!

Wow! Only 1 Week to Go!! The Bazaar is on, and we are ready to welcome everyone to the school starting Thursday at 7:00 p.m.! Get ready to enjoy a great night of fellowship and fun as we support our school! Please, if you have not volunteered yet but want to, check out the available spots on the school website. You can start to view items this week online! Go to the website, sign up and browse the selection of items. We ask for your continued prayers and support through the event and thank God, Our Father, for His Blessings on this wonderful school event! See you all soon!

Gr. 7/8 Competitive Volleyball: We've been invited to participate in the public school's Gr. 7/8 boys & girls volleyball tournaments happening Dec. 14 (girls) & Dec. 15 (boys)! Each team will be made of approximately 8 athletes. We'd like to get the ball rolling right away with our first tryout Tuesday, Nov. 15, after school. We will have the girls' tryout from 3:30-4:30 p.m. & the boys' from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The next practice will potentially be held Monday, Nov. 21. Those that make the team will work hard at practices twice/ week until Dec. 14. We are looking for a teacher, parent, or teenage volunteer. If you can help out, please let Jami Breukelman know at 629-5347. If your child cannot make these dates but wants to try out let me know.

#### **School News & Updates:**

### Thunder Bay Christian School Society Fall Membership Meeting Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 8:00 p.m. Thunder Bay Christian School Gymnasium

- 1. Aaron calls the meeting to order.
- 2. Aaron opens in prayer.
- 3. Opening song "Great Is Thy Faithfulness".
- 4. Minutes from Spring Membership meeting accepted.
- 5. Chairman report and Administration report reviewed, no questions/concerns.
- 6. Auditors Report: Joel reports all in good order.
  - i. MOTION to accept by Peter, second by Jonathan......MOTION CARRIES
- 7. Committee reports reviewed, no questions/concerns.
- 8. Verbal report from Shawn Jaspers re: lightning strike.
- 9. Ballots distributed and collected.
- 10. Verbal report from Ken Paulusma re: Twice as Nice and volunteer opportunities.
- 11. General Matters: In Memoriam: We recognize Henny Buitenhuis, Peter Joffers, and Patricia Dykstra i. Shawn Jaspers comments regarding timing of board election being part way through school year.
  - Discusses possibility of elections being prior to start of school year.
  - ii. Tammy Cramer comments regarding promotion of high school.
- 12. Election of Board Members
  - i. Devin Breukelman, Joel Veurink and Jeremy Bakker elected by majority to the Board of Directors of Thunder Bay Christian School.
  - ii. **Motion** to destroy ballots.
  - iii. Made by Sarah Mol, second by Joel Veurink ...... MOTION CARRIES
- 13. Emily Bakker comments that the high school has been a blessing to their family.
- 14. **Motion** to adjourn
- 15. Closing Song "Be Thou My Vision".
- 16. James deGroot closes in prayer.

**Lots of volunteer opportunities next week at Twice as Nice!** Please let me know if you're a new member at the school and still need to be orientated and I will set you up. Volunteers get 50% off unlimited clothing, and 20% off all other items during their shift! Come stock up for winter while you're helping contribute at TAN! The shifts in need for next week:

Monday AM
Tuesday PM
Wednesday AM & PM
Thursday AM & PM
Friday AM
Saturday PM

**Seesaw**: Please check Seesaw daily for messages from teachers. There they will post announcements and send individual messages/reminders as needed.

**Website** <u>www.tbcs.school</u> **/TBCS Facebook Page**: The office has been working to update and keep the information on our website and FB page current. This remains a learning process for us, so please ask or contact the office anytime with questions, ideas or concerns. Information/announcements specific to each classroom is posted on Seesaw. A few general details about the website:

- All normal Journal Announcements are posted weekly on the website. On the home page of the website
  there is a blue banner titled "Announcements". Clicking on this will take you directly to the weekly
  announcements. As well, if you prefer to see the journal as it historically looks, there is a "Journals"
  section further down the home page of the website that has links to the journal emailed out each week.
- Beside the "Journals" section there is a "Forms" section, this is where we will post up-to-date forms, such as: Milk, Hot Lunch or Consent forms. (We will only have current forms. After deadlines to submit are passed we will take them down.)
- The **"News"** section is for events or school outings we have/had celebrated, with pictures and a summary of the occasion.
- The "Events" section posts all upcoming events with links or explanations.
- We are working towards a Tab for all fundraiser information and links to the specific vendor sites. Until that is established the current fundraising links are under "events".
- School cancellations, due to weather, will always be posted on our Facebook page as soon as we are
  confirmed. Phone lists, from the back of the school phone book will also be called as usually done. Please
  be aware of your phone contact person and make sure they have a convenient up to date contact number
  for your household.

Please explore these sites. Our hope is that it makes life more convenient, with all relevant information/forms/events in one central location at your fingertips.

**Something New!** Attention Plant Enthusiasts! This year at the bazaar we will be selling plants. Please consider donating an established plant or recently propagated plant. Please drop off at the school office anytime the week of the bazaar (starting Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>). Any questions? Contact Deanna Buitenhuis at dbuitenh@gmail.com.

**Last Week for Chocolate Orders:** We are once again running the Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser online. The **deadline for orders is Saturday, November 19**<sup>th</sup>. A catalogue showcasing the products they sell was sent home last week. If you did not receive a copy and would like to have one, please notify the office. To order, go to <a href="https://fundraising.purdys.com/1206777-99786">https://fundraising.purdys.com/1206777-99786</a> (customer number 55262). Delivery date will be December 9, 2022. Thank you for supporting the Thunder Bay Christian School Student Fund!

**A Fourth Bus Run,** thereby shortening the existing runs, would be possible with the addition of another driver. Spare bus drivers are also needed. Please contact any Transportation Committee member or Jolene Makkinga if interested or if you have any questions.

**Fresh Air, Four Square:** If you would like to volunteer for recess duty, please call or email the office. Recess times are 10:40-11 a.m. and 1:10-1:45 p.m. Anyone can volunteer for this, and you are welcome to take your little ones along. If it's raining or temperatures are below -28 with the wind chill, it is an indoor recess and you do not need to come. Thank you for your willingness to be an extra set of eyes!