



God's 20/20 Vision: Open Our Eyes to See

"The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes"
Psalm 19:8

From the PrincipAL's Desk,

It was so wonderful to walk into the gym this morning to welcome a community of students, staff, parents, grand-parents and friends of Thunder Bay Christian School. Starting this year with praise and prayer really highlights what a Christian school experience can be all about. This year our theme, God's 20/20 Vision: Open Our Eyes To See...celebrates how we must keep our focus on acknowledging how we All are children of God, and must keep our focus on being faithful and obedient to His Word. "The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes." (Psalm 19:8)

A Christ-centered school strives to include children of all abilities, creating a culture of belonging, equipping each student to actively contribute in the life of the school community. At TBCS, we believe that all children are valued equally by God, who created them in His image for His purpose. Thus, it is our responsibility to take seriously the Biblical mandate to love and care for one another, in our teaching and relationships.

May the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God; be with us all during our time together this year.

T.B.C.S. Administrative, Teaching and Support Staff:

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM		SUPPORT STAFF	
Allen Bron	Principal	Jackie Bakker	Secretary (Fridays)
Sandra de Haan	Teacher in Charge	Kristen Mol	JK/SK TA
Erin Voortman	Teacher in Charge	Kari Otke	PSW
Kimberly Schelhaas	Administrative Assistant	Trudy Bolt	Bookkeeper
TEACHING STAFF		Norman Walls	Janitor
Patricia Kaemingh	JK/SK	John Meijaard	Bus Driver/Janitor
Michelle Bolt	Gr. 1	Jeannette Meijaard	Bus Driver
Deanine Bakker	Gr. 2/3 (a.m.)	Jenny Groenheide	Bus Driver
Sandra deHaan	Grade 3/4	Marlene Schelhaas	Bus Driver
Diana Hamilton	Gr. 2/3 (p.m.) French (a.m.) (November- June)	Ken Paulusma	TAN Manager
Margaret Hawkins	Resource/Music/Art	Lynda Cramer	TAN Ass. Mgr.
Joanne Himanen	Gr. 5/6 (a.m.) Gr. 2/3 (p.m.)	Rose Drewek	TAN Ass. Mgr.
Erin Voortman	Gr. 7-10	Debby VanderWees	Volunteer Librarian



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New Families and Students:

NEW FAMILIES AND STUDENTS			
Timothy & Emma Baxter	Halle, JK	Brandon & Jessica Breukelman	Haley, JK
Steven & Kimberly Schelhaas	Lily, SK	Scott & Angela Wiebe	Kaia, Gr 2, Max, Gr 6, Noah, Gr 8
Norman & Yvonne Walls	Kingsley, JK		
NEW JK STUDENTS			
Kade Bakker, Halle Baxter, Haley Breukelman, Darcy Cramer, Jacob deGroot, Kimberly Janssens, Minnie Jaspers, Henry Mol, Andrew Postuma, Emmett Schelhaas, Reid Staal, Carter Streutker, Kingsley Walls			
NEW SK STUDENTS			
Lily Schelhaas			

From our School Community:

JOURNALS:

Expect the journal to be emailed every Friday, unless you contact the school office to indicate otherwise. If you received a paper copy last year, you will automatically receive one this year, too. Other materials that need to go home will be sent with the oldest child in every family. Please take a few minutes to read and respond as needed every weekend. It will be a blessing to you and many others of us if you do. The journal is also published on our web page: www.tbaychristianschool.ca.

*Any new families wishing to receive a paper copy of the journal, please notify the office.

**Paper copies of the announcement portion of the journal are available in several churches each week.

INFORMATION PACKAGE SENT HOME TODAY INCLUDES:

1. Student Accident Insurance Form
2. School Bus Rules
3. Address Form/September Milk Form

Scholastic Flyers are coming home today with your child. Please keep in mind that while there are many excellent deals in the flyers distributed, you may need to use discernment for some of the selections. If you wish to place an order, please either place your online order (look for Miss de Haan as the teacher) or return to the school no later than Wednesday, Sept. 11 (Please remember to note the prices in the ONT column as they are occasionally higher.) If you are paying with a cheque for different flyers, you may choose to combine the total on one cheque. Cheques payable to Scholastic Canada, Ltd., please. Cash is also accepted.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR: This will be available with Friday's Journal.

THREE CHEERS FOR PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS!

You provide a valuable service to the students of TBCS. You help keep them safe on the playground, give teachers extra time to help students catch up on work, and allow staff time to set up for special activities. Your assistance is invaluable. Thank you for your willingness and time. Please call the volunteer coordinator, Tiffany Cramer, at 622-6987 if you are able to help out.

ALLERGIES &/OR MEDICAL PROBLEMS:

If your child has a serious, perhaps life-threatening allergy or medical problem that the school is not aware of, please inform the school office this week.

NUT FREE:

You are reminded that T.B.C.S. has been designated as "Nut Free".

- i) **Please ensure that food brought for lunch, snacks and special occasions is free of peanuts, peanut oil, tree nuts, and nut proteins.**
- ii) Children, who have eaten any of the above before school, should wash their hands and face prior to coming to school.
- iii) **PLEASE READ ALL LABELS** before sending in lunches, i.e. granola bars, chocolate chips, crackers, cookies, etc.

JK/SK SCHEDULE:

JK and SK will have class again together on Friday, September 6. The regular schedule will resume on September 9th with SK on Mondays and JK and SK combined classes on Wednesday and Fridays.

STUDENTS IN GR. 5-8:

Just a reminder, you are responsible for supplying your own note paper and lock for your locker.

GYM T-SHIRTS:

Students in Grades 5-8 are asked to wear T.B.C.S. T-Shirts (navy blue/white school logo) for gym. Prices: Youth \$5.00 and Adult \$8.00. We have various sizes in stock. Indoor shoes required for class and gym. Please ensure all indoor shoes are **NONMARKING**.

GR. 7/8 BAND AND GUITAR:

Grades 7 and 8 band and guitar start Friday, September 6. Please bring your band instruments and guitars if you have them.

STUDENT AGENDAS:

ALL students from Gr. 5 - 10 inclusive will be given a Student Connection Planner (from the Bible League) in which to record their homework, assignments, and important reminders. PLEASE ask to see it two or three times a week so students get in the habit of using it, and taking it back and forth from home to school.

MILK:

This year milk will be sold at school again, starting next Monday (Sept. 9). Milk forms are attached. Please return by Friday, September 6. Cheques are to be made out to Thunder Bay Christian School "Student Fund".

* The cost of white milk is **70¢/each**, and chocolate milk is **70¢/each**.

USE OF TELEPHONE:

Students are allowed to use school phones, ONLY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, with the permission of the child's teacher. STUDENTS ARE NOT to use school phones to arrange parties, social events and sleepovers. These matters should be arranged at home. We ask for your cooperation in this matter.

POLICE CHECKS/CRIMINAL REFERENCE CHECKS:

Criminal Reference Checks are required for all volunteers who have contact with the children. A current C.R.C. must be on file at the school. If you need to obtain one, please contact the office for required administrative forms.

BUS ALERT!

We praise God for the excellent bus drivers He has given us and for their safety mindedness. We trust the benefits of our transportation system will be appreciated by all and remembered in your prayers. In order to help the younger children find their bus at the end of the school day, each bus will have a picture in the window. Drivers and teachers will help children find their correct buses as noted below:

City (Tiger)	Marlene Schelhaas	cell# 629-6113/Home 473-9371
Slate River (Cow)	Jenny Groenheide	cell# 620-6489/Home 475-3138
Kakabeka/Murillo (Giraffe)	Jeannette Meijaard	cell# 629-0322/Home 475-8325
Extra Driver	John Meijaard	cell# 629-0344/Home 475-8325

Children should be at the road 5 minutes prior to their pickup time. It is recommended that parents of students in Gr. 5 and under be home when the bus drops off their child(ren). *If other permanent arrangements are desired, those arrangements need to be made by contacting the Transportation Committee bus rep for your bus.* Please be aware that buses may arrive early when dropping students off at home (sports practices, parents picking up their children etc.). Anaphylactic Policy applies to the buses also. We have children on the buses who are allergic to nut products.

-With ever increasing fuel prices, please take your children home with you if you are at the school, even if your children prefer to ride the bus.
-Transportation Committee

STUDENT DROP OFF AND PICK UP:

Parents who are dropping their children off at school in the morning or picking them up after school are reminded that this should be done at the front entrance of the school. There are times when the buses may be early or late and we do not want there to be any times when the buses and vehicles have to cross each other's paths.

Please call the school if there are any changes to the daily busing schedule for your children. It is important for the safety of all the children that the bus drivers are aware of who will be on the bus at the end of the day each day.

REMINDER TO ALL COMMITTEES: Please send a copy of minutes/reports from committee meetings to the office **Thursdays** before Board meeting dates.

FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING takes place in November. Committee reports from all committees (eg. Transportation, Maintenance etc.) are due in to the school office the **Thursday morning** before the October Board meeting.

MILK ORDER FORM

SEPTEMBER 2019

Fill in NOW and return to school by **Friday, September 6, 2019**

No late orders please.

***Please make cheques payable to T.B.C.S. Student Fund**

CHILD'S NAME	GRADE	WHITE CHOC.	/					Week 1					Week 2					Week 3														
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Weekly Total			/					# milk _____					# milk _____					# milk _____					# milk _____									
Monthly Total			<p>_____ # of White Milk x .70= _____</p> <p>_____ # of Chocolate Milk x .70= _____</p> <p>Monthly Total: \$ _____</p>																													

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ADDRESS UPDATE FORM:

We would like *every family* (not new families) to complete the following, so we can ensure that our records are up to date.

Name: _____

Address: _____ (include postal code) _____

Home Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Cellular #: (husband) _____ (wife) _____
(We will not print these numbers in our telephone directory that goes out later this month – this is strictly for office use in case of emergencies.)

Work Place: (husband) _____ Phone #: _____

Work Place: (wife) _____ Phone #: _____

Emergency Contact (other than parents): _____