



THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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MY LIGHTHOUSE:

*"Lost Without Him-
Alive With Him"*

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Our Mission:

To serve God and assist Christian families *by*:

- providing a quality, Christ-centered education within a loving environment,
- exploring and evaluating all of life under God,
- nurturing students in the development of their abilities,
- encouraging a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Team Leader of Principal Duties

The Dangerous Journey

One of the most famous Christian books ever written is the story written by John Bunyan entitled The Pilgrim's Progress. This book was first published in 1678, and it has been acknowledged as the most popular book ever published outside of the Bible. Unfortunately, it is not a book that is commonly known by many Christians in our modern times.

In our grade 7/8 Bible class we have been studying a retelling of that famous story in a book entitled *Dangerous Journey*. This is a story about a person's journey through the Christian life and it is told as a dream. The dream tells the story of Christian and his journey to the Celestial City. Christian abandons his home and his family to flee from the sin and destruction that he sees all around him and embarks on his journey attempting to travel on the straight and narrow path to the Celestial City. Along the way he encounters many different individuals and visits a number of different

locations that each present him with different opportunities, temptations, and challenges. Some of the figures such as Faithful, Evangelist, and Hopeful provide strength and help for Christian while figures such as Ignorance, the giant Despair, and the monster Apollyon cause him great trouble, pain, and hardship. Christian finds some peace and rest in places like the Interpreter's House, Palace Beautiful, and the Magnificent Mountains. Places such as the Slough of Despond, the Valley of the Shadow of Death, and the Doubting Castle force Christian to confront a series of hardships and tests before arriving at his destination.

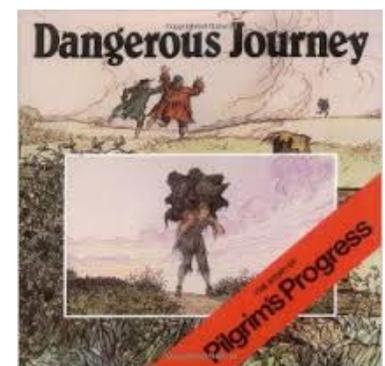
As we studied the book we tried to apply each of the situations and people that Christian dealt with in the book and relate them to real life things that we may experience in our lives today. We learned about topics such as hypocrisy, greed, mistrust, atheism, temptation, despair, pride, and compromise from the many characters that were encountered in the book. We compared

Christian's ordeals to the many different situations that may cause people pain and hurt. From the story we learned that no matter what situations we are going through in our lives God is there for us. He will give us the strength we need to make it through the tough times and temptations we face every day just like He always helped Christian make it through his ordeals. At the end of the journey, if we are faithful, we are promised a place with our Heavenly Father in the Celestial City.

*The LORD is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?*

Psalm 27:1

Peter Himanen



Class Assemblies

During the past months several classes have performed their assemblies for the rest of the student body and visiting parents. The classes spent time preparing their skits and songs, and did a great job sharing them with the rest of the students. The school theme, 'My Lighthouse: Lost Without Him, Alive With Him' continues to be the focus of each of the class assemblies.



Spelling Bee



The students of the school were given the opportunity to participate in a Spelling Bee in their classes, and then to participate in a school Spelling Bee that was held in the gym. The students who advanced to the school bee did a great job as they attempted to spell each of the words that they were assigned. Congratulations to our first and second place winners; Aimee Slaubaugh and Elise Bakker.



Science Fair

As part of the grade seven/eight science curriculum the students spent time in their science classes creating their own science projects which they were given the opportunity to present to the other students in the school. The students did a great job completing and presenting their projects, and we anticipate that they learned a lot during the process.



Special Days



Throughout this past term, the staff and students of T.B.C.S. have enjoyed a number of Student Life days. These days are intended to encourage the students to have some fun as they dress up and enjoy different activities. The special days included Moustache Day, Stay Afloat Day, and Bubble Gum Day. We also had a Persian sale to raise funds for the Fort McMurray Fire Relief.



JK/SK Swimming



The JK/SK class began a new program this spring where they took part in a swimming lesson program at the Canada Games Complex. The students were able to learn some of the basics of swimming and were able to earn their certificate for their level. It was a great learning experience and a fun time as well for our students.



Gr. 1/2 'Book Talk' Projects

The students in Gr. 1/2 were given a 'Book Talk' project as part of their reading unit. Students presented their books in many creative ways. They dressed up, baked, made beautiful posters, 3D models, a pig piñata, and even brought a pony to school!



Gr. 3/4 Class At Work and At Play



Pioneer Village



Final Book Projects



Boulder Bear

Gr. 5/6 Class 'Walk in the Light'



The grade 5/6 class was recently visited by a number of guests. As part of their electricity unit the students were led through a workshop where they were able to build and test their own electric circuits. The students were also visited by representatives of the Gideon's who gave each grade 5 student their own New Testament.



Gr. 7/8 Get Involved in Past & Present

Twice As Nice

The grade seven and eight class recently visited the Twice as Nice store and spent part of their school day doing volunteer work at the store. The students worked hard cleaning out the basement as the store was moving their stock from the winter to the summer season. It was a great opportunity for the students to develop an appreciation of all the work that is done at the store by all the volunteers, and how those efforts support the school.



Fort William Historical Park

Every second year the grade seven and eight class have the opportunity to visit Fort William Historical Park and participate in their Overnight Voyageur Program. The students take on the role of a voyageur and involve themselves in a number of different activities as they learn about the important role of Fort William in the fur trade in the year 1815.

Grade 8 Graduates 2016



Adam K.



Jordan V.E.



Levi S.



Nathan V.



Aimee S.



Jori B.



Sierra S.



Tiffany H.



Julia K.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

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