



BULLETIN

TRENTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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December 13, 2016

THEME:

"So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter." 2 Thess. 2:15

ADVENT JOY

"They will enter Zion with singing;
Everlasting joy will crown their heads.
Gladness and joy will overtake them, and
sorrow and sighing will flee away"
(Isaiah 35:10)



UPCOMING EVENTS:

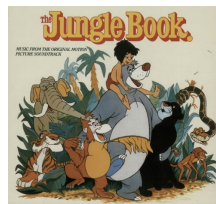
- Dec. 21 - 7 pm Christmas Program
- Dec. 22— Skating 12:50-2:30 at Frankford Arena
- Dec. 22—Last Day before Christmas
- Jan. 9—First Day back in 2017

Sports—HOCKEY:

All those players in grades 5-8 who are interested in playing for the TCS Flames hockey team are invited to a try-out practices in January. We could possibly have a game after the school skate at the Frankford arena.

There will be a cost to cover the practices -\$5.00 per practice. The date of the Founders Cup Classic, Christian School Hockey Tournament in Barrie, Ontario is Thursday, Feb. 2, 2017.

STUDENT COUNCIL: Will be having a Christmas outfit day (green, red, white, school colours) TOMORROW. Wear your most festive Christmas gear and receive colour house points.



We are still needing animal costumes for the play, as well as, people willing to help sew costumes or just alter existing costumes. We do have someone looking

after the costumes and patterns, so we only need willing hands to help her with the sewing. Please let the school know right away.

-All cast members should know their lines by January 10. If anyone has any face paint that we can use for the animal characters, we would appreciate your help.

Thanks, Mrs. M. Korver



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:

The students have been practising hard on the Christmas Program. Please be sure to invite friends and family to the program "Standing on God's Promises" on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 7 pm. Please have students in grades K-4 at the school for 6:40 pm and Grades 5-8 for 6:30 pm. Students should wear their "Sunday Best" dress clothes (no blue jeans please)



Community News

4 ON 4 VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

— The Athletic Council of Quinte Christian High School would like to invite you to bring a team to its annual 4 on 4 volleyball tournament. The tournament will take place December 17, 2016.

We are hoping to have enough teams to create two divisions: competitive and non-competitive.

This is a co-ed tournament and there must be at least 1 female and 1 male on the court at all times. The cost is \$20.00 a person. For more information about the tournament or to register your team, please contact:

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or

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Mark the date on your calendars for a fun day of volleyball!

Quinte Christian High School

warmly invites you to our **Christmas Concert** hosted by the senior music class on Thursday, Dec. 15. Join us for a night of beautiful music and a chance to celebrate the Christmas season through scripture and song. The evening begins at 7pm in the magnificent foyer of QCHS and is free for all who wish to come.

RAINBOWS PROGRAM—

Please see attachment about the Rainbows program

"The Shoebox Project": One of our TCS alumni, Lauren Draaistra, has joined with the ENSS JOURNEY OF HOPE team on their humanitarian trip to Tanzania, Africa. While in Africa the team will be connecting with local schools, working with HIV/AIDS orphans and much more. The team is hoping to fill suitcases with school supplies and small sports items. All the supplies will be given to children in Tanzania. If you help fill the suitcase at school that would be wonderful.

LITTLE SPARKS PRESCHOOL

Thank you to all the families who joined us for our family gingerbread days last week! We had so much fun celebrating with all of you.

This week in preschool, we will learn about a very special baby—Jesus—and the friends who came to visit him.

Next week on Wednesday/Thursday (Dec. 21/22) we will wrap up our unit with a Happy Birthday Jesus Party. Please consider sending a gift of food to share with the Trenton Food Bank on those days. Thank you!

JK

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This week we begin our celebration of Christmas! Each day we will learn about a different Christmas symbol. This week we will explore the symbol of the candy cane, candle and the wreath.

Our letter of the week 'J,j'. This is appropriate as we also light the candle of 'joy' on our advent wreath. Our verse for the week comes from 1 Chronicles 16:31 - Let the heavens be filled with joy. Let the earth be glad. Let them say among the nations, "The Lord rules!" This week we will join the SK, Gr. 1 and Gr. 2/3 class for 'Christmas Around the World'. Each day your child will learn how children celebrate Christmas in different countries around the world.

Have a great week!

SK &

JK/SK 5 Day—Kindersurprise

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This week students will enjoy "Christmas around the world" with the other primary classes. Our theme verse for this week is John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." We will continue to celebrating Christmas through our Bible stories and centres.

GRADE 1

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This will be an exciting week in Gr. 1. We are participating in a "Christmas Around the World celebration" with Kindergarten - Gr. 3. This will take place on Wednesday and Friday this week. We will also be spending time getting ready for the Christmas program Memory Work: We did it! Luke 2 sounds great and we will be practicing it this week so that we will have it perfect for the Christmas program. Well done, Grade one! Bible: We will be hearing the stories about the prophecies and events surrounding Jesus' birth.

Binder words: put, in
Creation Studies - We are working on our mapping skills this week. A letter/home project came home on Friday to create a map of a favourite room at home. They are due on Friday, but they can be handed in as soon as they are finished.

French—Students continue to learn vocabulary words for commonly used items found in the classroom.

GRADE 2/3

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I hope that you all enjoyed the snow day. Looks like we may have a white Christmas this year. We have a busy two weeks ahead. We are excited to do our "Christmas around the World" study with JK, SK and Gr. 1. Being the oldest in this group, we will be practicing our leadership skills. We hope to conclude this study, next Tuesday, with a visit to Belleville Christian School to watch their "Christmas Around the World" program. We are also very busy preparing for our own Christmas program. Don't forget to dress festive tomorrow! There is much excitement in the air here at TCS, as we prepare to celebrate our Saviour's birth. Please pray that our focus will remain on Christ. Spelling Test on Friday. Gr. 2--Lesson 13. Gr. 3 Lesson 14
French—Gr. 2 & 3 students created some very unique monsters! This week they will describe their monsters in writing.

GRADE 4

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Memory work: individual verses for Christmas program
Spelling: Lesson 13 see Spelling City
Bible: Test Wednesday stories of David
Choir: Learn words for Standing on the Promises
French—This week students will learn about the four characteristics to describe weather: la température, la précipitation, le ciel et le vent.
Music—Playing test next Tuesday "Hot Cross Buns"

GRADE 5/6

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I hope that the students enjoyed their day off yesterday! We now have a four day week. We are working on finishing some stuff before the Christmas holidays, which is coming very quickly. Students are working on practicing for the Christmas program held next Wednesday night.

In Gr 6, we are working on finishing the book, "WONDER".

Gr 6 Math is learning about "Ratios". In Social Studies, they are learning about climographs. In Bible, we are talking about the creation and our fall into Sin.

Spelling Test this Friday.

French—Students are creating a poster about the community they live in. It will include all the specific details that we have learned about during the course of this unit.

Music—Next Week: Last practice log due for the year. Performance at Christmas program Wednesday night. Be at the school for 6:30 to get instruments ready and tuned. Preferred dress is all black/dressy clothes.

Make sure students wear Christmas sweaters and outfits tomorrow!!!

GRADE 7/8

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Current events: Brodey and Hannah

Devotions: Anna and Ethan

Wednesday: Bible assignment due

Thursday: Grade 7 Spelling test

Friday: Grade 8 Spelling test

French—Students are planning an obstacle course and they will be describing the different challenges found in the course.

Music—Next Week: Last practice log due for the year. Performance at Christmas program Wednesday night. Be at the school for 6:30 to get instruments ready and tuned. Preferred dress is all black/dressy clothes.

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Gr 7 Math: We need to review a number of skills as we worked with Multiplying and Dividing Decimals this week

Gr. 7 Literature: We continue our in-class novel study of "I Am David" by Anne Holm this week. Our goal is to have the novel completed by the end of this week.

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Dear Parents:

TCS is pleased to announce that the Rainbows Program is available to our students. It is a weekly support group for our children, pre-school through eighth grade, who are living in single parent families, stepfamilies, or families, that are going through painful transitions.

When something significant happens in a family, the entire family is affected. Even though death, divorce or loss, appear to be only grown-up problems, they have a profound effect on the children touched by these experiences. If a parent (or grandparent) dies or divorce occurs, not only do the parents grieve, the children do also. Because of their age and short life experience, children find it extremely difficult to verbalize their feelings of grief.

We have a former TCS parent and current TCS grandparent, Joanne Draaistra, who trained in the Rainbows program to help these children put those feelings into words, work through their grief, build a stronger sense of self-esteem, and begin to accept what has taken place in the family.

If your child has or is experiencing living in a single parent family, a stepfamily, or experienced the death of a loved family member, friend or sibling, or is struggling with a painful experience, this is an opportunity for him/her to share with a special someone on the outside what is happening on the inside.

Through this support group, we hope to assist your child in expressing and understanding his/her feelings, to feel acceptance for what has happened, and to feel a sense of belonging and love. Because we are unable to answer their questions or solve their problems, we will accomplish this through the channels of peer support with nurturing adults to guide them, and a secure place to share themselves.

The plan is to offer this program beginning the second week of January, during a lunch hour break. If you would like your child to join this group, please complete the attached form and return it to the school office. If you would like more information feel free to contact Mrs Draaistra directly at 613-475-3025.

Sincerely,

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RAINBOWS

HELPING CHILDREN HEAL FROM HURT

Please fill out the application form below and return to the school office:

Name: _____

Age: _____

Grade: _____

Parent(s): _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please check: My parents are separated/divorced: _____

My loss is a death _____

My loss is _____