



BULLETIN

TRENTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
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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

January 9, 2017

"Love the Lord Your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength" (Deuteronomy 6:5)

It was great to welcome all the staff and students back into school this morning. I look forward to continuing to see our students grow and flourish through their relationships and learning experiences.

This month we will continue our journey through the teaching for transformation learning attributes which highlight the yearly theme of **STANDING FIRM**. Students will identify, discover and understand that when other things are more important to us than our relationship with God, they could possibly become idols. Learning about and discerning what we value most in life is important. We can identify the values of cultures, times and belief systems. Christian education is concerned with pointing out the values that surround the topics being studied. Students will learn that our worldviews affect what we believe, say and do. God's truth must be learned and spoken within our classrooms and school culture. As our students become Idolatry-Discerners, we hope and pray that they will become truth-speakers!

TCS STAFFING UPDATE: Beginning this week we have a few changes to our teaching staff. Mrs. Jennie Smit, our music teacher, is going on a maternity leave. Also, Ms. Ashley Davy, our Science and Robotics teacher, is exploring other teaching opportunities. We would like to welcome our newest staff member, Mr. Jason Wryghte, who will be taking over leading and instructing our Grades 4-8 Band students. Mr. Bron will be handling the teaching of the Gr. 7/8 Science program. Lastly, Mrs. Janelle Hill will be returning to TCS the first of February to resume her teaching position. Mrs. Hill will be teaching the Grade 7 class in the morning and the Grade 4 class in the afternoon, as well as handling some rotary PE classes.

With new staff coming on board we have had to alter some classroom and program schedules. Beginning this Thursday, January 11th, the Band classes will follow this schedule:

	MONDAY	THURSDAY	
11:15-12:00am	Gr. Four	Gr. Seven/Eight	
12:45-1:30pm	Gr. Five/Six	Gr. Five/Six	
1:30-2:15pm	Gr. Seven/Eight	Gr. Four	*Concert Band will be held on Monday at 12:15-12:45pm

From the Board

Happy New Year! Hope everyone enjoyed their holidays.

Thank you for your strong support of Treasure Chest Store. It is doing well, but we have a few requests for volunteers.

The store is attempting to create a "sub" list of volunteers, so that, if someone can't make it in for their regular shift, they can call someone on the sub list to replace them. If you would like your name placed on this list, please let me know at index@bellnet.ca. Please let me know if you are familiar with doing cash or are willing to learn and what days you are available.

We are also wondering if some people would like to volunteer to help keep the store clean, especially at this time of year.

This would require about 1-2 hours either before the store opens or after it closes.

The cleaning supplies will be provided. You can contact me at the above email, if this interests you.

Thanks again for your amazing support. May God be glorified in all we do!

Welcome to New Family:

We would like to welcome David & Linda Arbuckle and their granddaughter, Layla Main-Arbuckle, who is in the Gr. 6 class. We hope all of you feel part of the TCS

60th Anniversary Gala

Trenton Christian School 60th Anniversary



February 25, 2017
Appetizers & Open House 5pm
Dinner 6pm

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340 2nd Dug Hill Rd.
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The last week of school the 60th Anniversary Invitations for the Gala went in the mail and church boxes. Please RSVP before Feb. 6, if you plan to attend and please encourage others who received the invitation to RSVP, as well.

There is now less than 2 months left before the Jungle Book performances for our 60th Anniversary. Several alumni have stepped up to join the cast and those practices will take place soon. If there is anyone who would like to help out in any capacity with the play, do not hesitate to let me or the office know.



It will be an enjoyable time! 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. If anyone has any face paint that we can use for the animal characters, we would appreciate your help.

Thanks, Mrs. M. Korver

Bussing News

Please remember during this winter season to exercise a little extra patience with the time line for the busses. They take extra caution on the snowy and icy roads, which can mean delays in the time schedule. Please also continually pray for safety for all the busses on the roads.

RAINBOWS PROGRAM—

Please see attachment about the Rainbows program.

COMMUNITY NEWS

ELECTRONIC WASTE FUND-

RAISER - Quinte Christian High School is having an Ewaste Day January 13-14, from 9am-5pm in the **Giant Tiger/ Walmart parking lot on Millennium Parkway in Belleville**

GRIEF SHARE PROGRAM:

Grief Share is a special help seminar and support group for people grieving the loss of a loved one. This program will be held on Wednesday afternoons at 2 pm at Ebenezer Christian Reformed Church, 18 Fourth Ave., Trenton, beginning January 18, running for 13 weeks. Grief Share seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life. For more information, please call the church office at 613-394-5046 or click the link found under the "Grief Share Program" tab on our website, ebenezerccrc.ca.

LOVE & RESPECT VIDEO

CONFERENCE Brighton Fellowship CRC - Jan 27/28. Based on Ephesians 5:33, this conference is a dynamic, high energy, and practical seminar designed to help couples and singles achieve the relationship of their dreams. Based on Dr. Eggerichs' best seller, Love and Respect, this conference will bring a message that imparts revolutionary insights on how to achieve a brand new level of intimacy and friendship. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit Eventbrite.com

LITTLE SPARKS PRESCHOOL

Welcome back, Little Sparks! We hope you had a wonderful holiday with your families! We are so excited to be back at school with all of you. This week we will be learning all about snow. How is snow made? Are all snowflakes the same? How many sides does a snowflake have? We will also continue to explore the life of Jesus and take a closer look at His early years. Please remember to send your child with weather appropriate clothing, as it is looking like it will be a chilly week!

JK

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Happy New Year! Our verse for the next few weeks comes from 2 Cor. 5:17 "When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come; the old has gone, the new is here!" We will talk about this verse during our devotional times.

This week we will learn about the different things animals do in the winter—do they hibernate? Migrate? Stay home?

In Language Arts we will be working with the letter 'M, m'. Students can bring in something that begins with the letter 'm' for our sound bucket.

In Mathematics we will continue to learn about numbers. This week we will be reviewing 1-7 and focusing on 8 and 9.

SK

Welcome back! It is good to be back together! We will explore winter and snow this week in different ways. Our earth-keeping study will also continue, as we explore styrofoam over the next few weeks. Students are welcome to bring in different shapes and sizes of styrofoam. Big pieces would be great to invite students to create Antarctica in our building centre. Cardboard tubes and cotton balls donations are also welcome! Students can also bring labelled penguin toys for us to borrow. Our theme verse for this week will introduce our January throughline: "idol-discerning", it will also be our memory work for this week. Students will be asked to recite their memory work to me on Fridays and are encouraged to practice it at home: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength."
Deut. 6:5.

JK/SK 5 Day—Kindersurprise

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Welcome back to school! Our theme verse for this week is "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." Deut. 6:5. We will connect this verse to our January throughline, "idol discerning." We will make a mural that shows how Jesus should be #1 in our lives. We will be reading books and stories about the Arctic and Antarctic and wonder together about these amazing parts of God's creation.

GRADE 1

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Welcome back to school and Happy New Year to everyone! It is exciting to be back. I hope you all had a wonderful break. Binder Words: in, made, king During the month of January, Grade one will be starting to have spelling work - some of the binder words and word families to learn and be tested on them weekly. This will start in the next week or so.

Creation Studies: This week we are wrapping up our unit on maps. We will be creating a treasure map for our school and going on a treasure hunt. Our next unit is our Animal unit - focusing on Mammals and Insects.

Bible: We are starting a new unit on the Judges. This week we will learn about Othniel, Ehud and Deborah.

Our new memory work will be: Psalm 24: 1. "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world and all who live in it."

Math: we are going to finish our unit on addition and subtraction and start a new unit on Data Management and Probability. French—We will continue to build on the vocabulary we have learned on the topic of school supplies.

GRADE 2/3

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Welcome back to all. I hope that you all enjoyed the break from routine. We are looking forward to getting back to learning and serving in our Gr. 2/3 classroom.

In the next few weeks we will be completing our Mexico unit. We will conclude the unit with a Mexican Fiesta. I will send information home when details are in place, as we will need a few extra hands that afternoon.

In Math, Gr. 2 will begin a unit on Geometry.

Spelling test on Friday.

Gr. 2 --Lesson 14

can't, didn't, don't, won't, not, will, fill, hill, pill, Bill, bill, drill, chill, grill, still, thrill
Gr. 3 Lesson 15

early, gravy, sew, string, earth, grape, strap, seen, word, press, since, change

WWW—hidden, terrible, trouble

Extra—manger, shepherds, Saviour

French— We will be reviewing names of body parts in French. Then we will transition into healthy habits we can adopt to take care of our bodies.

Blessing in this week.

GRADE 4

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Welcome back. Our prayer is that God will show his grace to us in 2017.

Math - Continue to work on multiplication and division facts. Everyone should be ready to start the 6x table.

Spelling Lesson 14 - see Spelling City

Literature - continue novel: Winn Dixie

Social Studies - continued work on Ontario project at school

Science - experiments and experiences with Sound

Bible - rule of King David

French—We will continue to learn about the weather.

GRADE 5/6

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Hello Parents! Happy New Year! Welcome back to all students!

This week is a week of new units. We start a new Social Studies unit on Farming.

In Science, students have started to think of a question to answer for a Science Fair project. The due date for this project is not until March, but an idea must be selected this week, in order for research to start next week. If you could, help your child pick an idea if they are having trouble.

In Math, Grade 6 is learning about Geometry and Space.

Spelling Test on Friday!

French—This week begins the start of a new unit—"Finis les conflits!" This week we will be specifically be learning about different personality traits.

GRADE 7/8

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Welcome back, everyone. I hope your holidays were relaxing and restful. We are beginning a new unit in Bible entitled, The Resurrection and Ascension of Christ.

Current events: Mikayla and Anna

Devotions: Zack and Morgan

Thursday: Grade 7 Spelling test

Thursday: Grade 8 Literature quiz

Friday: Grade 8 Spelling test

French—This week begins the start of a new unit "Quoi de Neuf?" (What's happening?) This week we will be learning about how we learn about news and different categories of news stories.

Math: We will continue to work through culminating review activities of Units # 1-4 during this week.

Literature: This week students will be working on a Book Report for the novel, "I Am David". The due date is Friday.

Grade 8 evening at ENSS planned for Wed., Jan. 18 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Terry Fox Gymnasium. Inclement weather date is the 19th.

Sports— HOCKEY:

All those players in grades 5-8 who are interested in playing for the TCS "Flames" hockey team are invited to a practice on Monday, January 16th, 23rd, 30th from 8:00-9:00am at the Trenton Arena (Pad #1) . Parents are required to provide transportation to and from the rink. 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.

CHESS CLUB

We are in need of someone willing to run a Chess Club once a week at noon recesses (12 to 12:45 and preferably Wed. or Fri.) for interested students in Grade 3 to 8. We hope to start immediately, as the ASG tournament usually happens at the beginning of April. This commitment runs from January to April and there is always a teacher present for supervision and organization. Knowledge of the game is a necessity. M. Korver



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 613-847-6834.

Sincerely,

Al Bron

Al Bron,
Principal.

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 _____