



Philippians 2:1-2: " If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose"

From the Principal's Desk,

Our Celebrate Jesus!! at Christmas Advent wreath focus for this week is The Angel: God's Angels Complete His Mission. God is constantly at work in our daily lives, strengthening our faith and keeping us close to Him. He provides everything we need, such as food and clothing, a home, family, and friends. He took care of our greatest need when He sent the Saviour whose birth we celebrate at Christmas—Jesus, His own son. God announced the birth of His son in some miraculous life-changing ways. He used angels, as His messengers, to deliver this important message.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the new-born king;

Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled.

Joyful, all you nations, rise; Join the triumph of the skies;

With angelic hosts proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the new-born King

(Charles Wesley, 1707)

Staff Announcement: Our music teacher, Mrs. Jennie Smit, will be going on maternity leave beginning in January. While she is off, her Wednesday band class will be taught by Mrs. Amodeo. There will be no band/music classes on Monday. The staff and students are planning to share a major musical with the community, therefore our music classes will have a focus on choir which will be directed by Ms. Ponsen.

Mondays: NO Band/Music Classes

- Wednesdays: 1. Assemblies and Choir Practice
- 2. Grade Six-Eight Concert Band*
- 3. Grade Four-Eight Music Classes*

*Mrs. Amodeo will be the new instructor for these assignments. Mrs. Siebenga will be teaching the Grade Two class on Wednesday afternoons.

**We pray for God's blessings on Mrs. Smit and her family as they await the arrival of their 3rd child in the new year.

*Trenton Christian School
Invites you to come and meet the
"Christmas Characters"*



*December 19, 2018
2 pm & 7 pm*

*All students from JK—Grade 8 will be
participating. Free Admission.*

340 2nd Dug Hill Road

Christmas Program

The students have been practising hard on the Christmas Program. Please invite friends and family to the program "Christmas Characters" on Wednesday, December 19th at 2 pm or 7 pm.

PARENTS: Please have students in Kindergarten-Grade 5 to their classroom for 6:40 pm. Students in grade 6-8 are asked to be in the music room for 6:30 pm to prepare their instruments.

Students should wear their "Sunday Best". Please no jeans. Concert band members are encouraged to wear all black. Thank you.

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY NEWS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Thank you! Trenton Christian School received over \$153,000 in response to our Fall Drive this year. We are grateful and humbled that God worked through all of you to surpass our goal. These funds make a significant impact on our yearly budget and we are encouraged by the ways you partner with us in providing Christian Education here in Quinte West. Thank you for your support with this year's Fall Drive!

Parents take note: If you would like your tuition payment reflected on your 2018 tax receipt, please ensure your family's tuition payments are received by next week,
Thursday, December 21st.

COMING EVENTS:

Monday, Dec 10—Board Executive Meeting-7:30 pm

Thursday, Dec 13—Board of Directors Meeting-7:30 pm

Saturday, Dec 15—Thrift Store Volunteers:

John & Jean Watling

Wednesday, Dec 19, 2 & 7 pm—Christmas Program

Saturday, Dec 15—Thrift Store Volunteers:

Devin & Krista Mitts

Monday, Dec 24-Friday, January 4—

Christmas Break Inclusive

Monday, January 7—Back to school

MY BUS PLANNER — YOU CAN NOW GET TEXTS

— With the weather getting colder the possibility of a snow day has increased. We are now subscribed to SMS notifications. Each user name can have 5 cell numbers associated to their account. **In order to do this please following these steps carefully:**

- Go to trentonchristianschool.com
 - Click on Bus Cancellations
 - Click on Bus Cancellation Information
 - Click the Cancellations & Delays tab
 - Click the Subscriptions Tab
 - Input your email address
 - Click forgot password (**even if you know your password**)
 - You will receive an email. When you receive the email click the **confirm**. Put a new password in when requested.
 - Sign in using your email address and new password
 - A new screen will come up with your bus information.
 - Click Information button (on left side of screen)
 - Click SMS (left side of screen)
 - Click would like to receive SMS
 - Input the cell numbers you would like to include
 - Click save
- You will now receive a text for upcoming bus Cancellations
- If you have any questions or troubles doing this just click the contact button at the top of the screen.

UPCOMING TCS STUDENT COUNCIL DECEMBER ACTIVITIES:

December 14th: This Friday is P.J. and Pizza Day!

Trenton Food Bank

Student council members will be away **Wed. Dec 19th from about 10:15 - 12:00** at the Trenton Food Bank. We will be celebrating their grand opening with them. **(Student Council members that would like to go need to have their permission form in by Friday Dec. 14th!)**

As we care for our community we will be taking a package with us...a collection of food. We are asking each class along with staff to bring in the following items:

JK/SK: baby food

Gr. 1: pasta and pasta sauces

Gr. 2: Canned meat and fish

Gr. 3: Dry and/or canned soups and stews

Gr. 4/5: Canned fruit and vegetables

Gr. 6: Breakfast cereal, canned/powdered milk

Gr. 7/8: crackers and cookies

Staff: beans

It would be greatly appreciated if all items could be in by Monday December 17th.

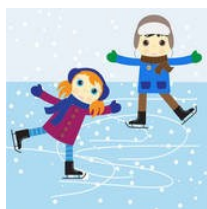
Friday December 21st School Skate. (transportation is provided)

Skating at Trenton Arena 12:30-2:30

Helmets are mandatory and skates are to be in a strong protective bag (no plastic bags).

SKATING:

TCS will be skating at Trenton arena Dec 21st from 12:30-2:30 p.m. All students are welcome.



Please note: those in Kindergarten will need to have a parent on the ice with them. Students are strongly encouraged to wear helmets.

PRAYER CORNER:

In years past we have had a continual prayer corner in our bulletin and we would like to continue that again this year. It's a great way to continue to hold the TCS community up in prayer. This week we remember the following families:

Johan & Cathy Schenk/Spicher: Averie (Gr. 8)

Mitchell & Jennie Smit: Marie (JK)

Tyler & Joleen Smit: Cheyenne (Gr. 6), Brooklyn (Gr. 4),
Madalyn (Gr.2), Sebastian (SK)

Jonathan & Stephanie Suurdt: Jacob (Gr.5), Heidi (Gr.3), Bianca (SK)

COMMUNITY NEWS:



Christmas Coffee House

*A Celebration of Christmas
&
the Arts*

Quinte Christian High School

~~Tuesday 9 am~~

New Date and Time: Friday, Dec. 14, 9 am
Community Members welcome!

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CLASSROOM NEWS:

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

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Mm is for Merry Christmas! JK is enjoying many fun Christmas activities over the next 2 weeks. Decorating, creating, playing and preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We have been working hard on our poem and songs for the Christmas concert. Just a reminder to have our baby food donation for the food bank into our class by next Monday. Have a marvelous week!

SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

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Kindergarten has been busy learning the poem "What Can I Give Him?" as well as the song "There was a Little Baby" for the upcoming Christmas program.

This week we will be working with the letter 'M, m'. Continue reading each day, Kindergarten! In Mathematics, we are learning to 'take inventory'. Students are busy counting and recording a set number of objects. With the help of our puppet friends - Jack and Jill - we are learning about different things we can do each day to stay healthy. Donations of small cardboard boxes and paper towel/toilet paper rolls for our production centre would be appreciated.

GRADE 1

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This week we will learn about how God planned for people to live in families just like Jesus did when he was born to Mary and Joseph. We will compare similarities and differences between our families. Students are still welcome to bring photos of their families for our family table at school. A homework sheet will go home this week about Christmas family traditions. Our Bible stories will be about Jesus' birth. It is pajama day on Friday at our school. Students are welcome to bring a favourite book to school too for our reading "party" in the afternoon in our pajamas.

FRENCH:

Grade 4/5 - We will work be working on posters this week. There will also be a unit test next week Monday and Wednesday (it is split into two parts).

Grade 6 - This week we will be writing our own mini-scripts with a focus on solving a conflict.

Grade 7 & 8 French

This week we will be reading a comic strip featuring a giant squid. We will be working with the verb 'préférer'.

MUSIC:

Logs were due for Gr. 5-8 for November 26-dec 9.

Grade 6-8 are performing at the Christmas program.

Concert band is performing at Crown ridge on Thursday December 20 in the morning. Please ask you child for the letter sent home last week. We are looking for drivers to and from the school for about 9-11:30.

GRADE 2

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French - We are continuing our work with our "La Nativité" vocabulary
Music - In music, we are continuing to focus on dynamics as we practice for the Christmas Concert next week.

Bible - This week, we will be looking at the stories of Zechariah and Gabriel's visit to Mary.

Memory Work - Test next week TUESDAY, DEC 18th on Luke 2:10-12

Creation Studies - This week we are looking at how the parts of our community work together, like the parts of the body and the Body of Christ.

GRADE 3

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This week Wednesday we are anticipating our trip to Hillcrest Terrace. Thank you for returning your child's forms and for offering to drive. Your help is very much appreciated! Please be aware that if your child as a particularly bad cold or other illness they may not be able to go as we are going to be around a vulnerable population - I hope this will not be the case, but is something we need to be sensitive about.

Spelling words for this week are (almost) all compound words: football, without, left-hand, good-bye, however, cannot, good-looking, afternoon, anything, anyway, haystack, right-handed, December, (WWW) everybody, everything, anyone, (Bonus) midnight, touchdown, meatloaf, hyphen.

Memory work for this week will be reviewing our theme verse for the year, Phil. 2:1-2.

A reminder that Friday is Pajama and Pizza day - don't forget to come to school in your PJ's!

GRADE 4/5

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2 weeks left until the Christmas Holidays! This is a reminder that Friday is PJ and Pizza Day! We will also be having a school skate on Dec 21st from 12:30 to 2:30, if your child needs skates contact me ASAP so we can arrange for them to borrow a pair. Week 14 spelling words are on Spelling city. Student's will go home with memory work this week, which is due for Friday. It is our theme verse, we are encouraged to have it memorized for our Christmas program on Dec. 19th. I realize they learned this earlier in the year but we will use this week to refresh our memory. Thank you for all the canned fruit and veggies that are coming in for the Trenton Food Bank. We hope to have all goods in by Monday December 17th.

TCS FLAMES Sports:

1. Junior Volleyball District Tournament on December 12th at Marc Garneau.
2. Winter Sports Teams Basketball and Hockey will begin practice and tryouts in January.

BIRTHDAYS:

Dec. 11-Lyla J.-JK
Dec. 16-Benry P.-SK
Dec. 16-Clara K.-JK

May you have a blessed birthday!

GRADE 6

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Welcome to another week. We continue to study the immune system in creation studies and we have discovered that God has certainly created our bodies in a very intricate fashion. In Math, we are looking closely at decimals...rounding, comparing and ordering decimals. In Language arts, we are concluding our novel study with an essay comparing the two main characters. On Wednesday, the majority of the class will be gone to Marc Garneau for a volleyball tournament. Please look for a letter. We need some drivers for this day. Please let myself or Mrs. Hoftzyer know if you are willing and able to drive. Thank you for your support.
Friday-Spelling Test--Lesson 13
Friday--Current Events--Danielle and Davis
Friday--PJ and Pizza Day

GRADE 7/8

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This week the grade 7/8 class will be focusing on the following Learning Targets in subject specific areas. Also, here are some important announcements:

Bible:

"We can understand how Paul faced opposition".

"We can understand the power of justification by faith in Jesus".

Announcements: - Memory Verse for this week is John 1:14. - Unit 7/8 Bible Test: Friday, Dec. 14.

Math (Grade 8):

"I can display data on a circle graph".

"I can identify key verbs in Math problems".

Announcement: - Unit 4 Math Test: Thursday, Dec. 13.

Language Arts:

"I can analyze character development in a novel".

"I can engage in the writing process through editing and rewriting a story".

Announcement: - Lesson 15 Spelling Test on Friday.

History:

"I can understand how and why Loyalists came to Canada".

Math (Grade 7): We are continuing our lessons on , "DATA MANAGEMENT". We have learned to describe and evaluate data presented on charts, tables, graphs, and solve related problems. We will learn to calculate and use mean, median, and mode. We will have a test on Thursday of this week.

Science: (Grade 7/8): This week we will continue our discussions and research with Practical Uses of Chemicals. Students have introduced to the symbols and terms relating to workplace safety, WHMIS (Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System) and MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet). Students will be researching and answering questions on one of the following topics: Petrochemicals, Sulphuric Acid, and Fertilizers.

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

ENSS—Gr. 8 Parent Information night Monday, Dec. 10 Gym A/B