



# TCS Newsreel

"Set your hearts on things above, where Christ is...Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things." Col 3:1-2

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

What wonderful sunny days we have been blessed with these past weeks. I for one do not mind the fact that we don't have any snow. February can be a dull and dreary month but this year so far, it's been the exception. The days are getting longer and brighter. This is a reminder to me that God is in control of the seasons just as he promised to us in His word. Genesis 8:22 – "As long as the earth remains, there will be *springtime and harvest*, cold and heat, winter and summer, day and night." (NLT)

As the board looks to the future of TCS, please pray for them that God will give them wisdom and guidance in the plans that are being made. It's that time of year when the board begins to look forward to next year and the school budget. We have been so blessed in that God has continued to bless and uphold our school in the years past and my prayer is that as we follow Him and continue to do His will that He will continue to bless TCS. This Wednesday morning, the school, along with our church pastors will be praying for our students. You as parents have been invited to also join us in praying for specific needs of the school. I hope to see many of you here from 8:30 – 9:15am.

With our registration campaign starting this week have you put your TCS decal on your car yet? Now is a great time to hand out those three brochures you were given to tell others about our school. With everyone doing their part, with prayer being the #1 factor, God can bless us abundantly! Last year, our prayer group prayed that God would bless us with 54 families for the 09/10 year. Do you know how many families we have? 54! This year they are praying for more, and with us all praying, God can answer that prayer too!

Another topic that we have been talking about here at school is homework. In the coming weeks I hope to share some homework tidbits weekly to help you, help your child.

With the Olympics happening in Canada beginning this weekend, take time to enjoy the gift of sports with your family, cheering on the best of the best. We here at TCS hope to enjoy a day of "Winter Olympics" this coming Wednesday, snow or no snow. It will be a fun afternoon working together in our school teams, enjoying winter.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

#### February

- 10 Assembly of Prayer with Pastors  
TCS Winter Olympics
- 11 Gr 5-8 to TDChristian's play
- 12 Pizza Lunch
- 15 Family Day: NO SCHOOL
- 16 Chicken Orders due
- 24 Basketball Tournament
- 26 PA Day: NO SCHOOL
- 27 **Veggie Tales Movie Event - 11am**

#### March

- 1 Chicken Orders delivered
- 1-2 Gr. 5-6 to Ste. Marie Among the Hurons
- 5 **Invite-a-friend-Day!**
- 8 Report Cards Home
- 9,11 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 12 NO BUS
- 15-19 March Break
- 22 NO BUS
- 27 ~~Veggie Tales Movie Event - 11am~~

## Movie and Pizza Night



Thank you to all who came out to the TCS Family Social event last Friday. We had a great night together - 90 people in all. Stay tuned for our next movie event on Saturday February 27 featuring a brand new VeggieTales movie called - Pistachio. More details to come.

## TCS CERTIFICATES

Certificates can be purchased in the office Monday - Friday. Weekly orders are picked up Wednesdays (am) and returned Fridays of the following week.

### BASKETBALL PRACTICES

Girls' practice schedule for February. All practices will end at 4:45.

Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup>

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> - Tournament - details will follow.

Boys will practice Wednesday this week.

### FROM FUNDRAISING

Chicken orders are due back the Tuesday after Family day. Happy selling!

### PIZZA LUNCH REMINDER

The next lunch this Friday (February 12). Sorry, we are unable to accept additional orders.

### STRAIGHT PINS

We are in need of one box of 'straight pins'. Do you have an extra box that could be donated to the school?

### TCS WINTER OLYMPICS!

Wednesday, February 10, 2010. We know that many of you would rather be playing in the snow than sitting in a classroom. So, this event was brought into action! On this day, you will gather into your school teams and do some fun activities! Each activity will be outside, so please wear your snow pants, mitts, hats, boots, and scarves. Thank you!

# FROM THE TEACHER'S DESK

## MRS. UBBENS – GRADE 7/8

*“Sometimes a person’s mind is stretched by a new idea and never does go back to its old dimensions.”*

*~Oliver Wendall Holmes, Sr.~*

\*Schedule Change - We have been invited to TDChristian to see the play SCHOOLHOUSE on Feb 11 in the morning and will return by lunch time.

**Spelling:** test and assignment this week

**Math:** test will come home Wednesday for signature

**History:** test will come home Wednesday for signature

**Writing/Art:** (in writing class today we began Art Reports – tomorrow students will have a significant writing class to work on their rough copies. Typed rough copy due Friday. Good copies of both Biography and Art report due next Wednesday.

### Mme Hudson - French:

**Grade 7** - Vocab quizzes will continue each class. **French Club** is offered every Thursday at noon.

**Wed., Feb. 10:** Project materials due at school for a one-class work period. The rest of the physical structure of the project must be completed at home. Students were reminded that this is not an art project. It must be neat and colourful and meet the language criteria. Pre-fab objects and pictures are perfectly okay! The majority of their time should be spent on the written work. The physical layout must be fully planned (not necessarily complete) for Friday, February 12 when we will begin working on the written part of the project.

**Wed., Feb. 18:** Rough draft of written project due.

### Grade 8

**Fri., Feb. 12:** Registre d'écoute due. Project rough draft due.

**Fri., Feb. 19:** Project good copy due.

**Mon., Feb. 22:** Oral test. (This involves reading the unit story aloud to me. Students should be practicing and asking for help with pronunciation well before this date.)

**Wed., Feb. 24:** Written test (Vocabulary, **irregular verbs**, imperative, questions with inversion)

**French Club** is offered every Thursday at noon. This is a great place to get help with the project or with studying.

## MS. MIEDEMA – GRADE 5/6

- **Class Trip: Schedule change** - Lord willing we will watch TDCH's theatre production, "Schoolhouse," on Thursday, February 11. We will plan to leave the school at 9:00 by school bus and will return by lunch time.
- **Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons:** Our trip is less than a month away! Today, an information package was sent home with each student. Please sign and return the enclosed forms by Friday. Thank you!
- **Science/Writing: Rocks and Minerals Report** We're typing our reports this week. This task will be done at school. The end is in sight!
- **Scholastic Book Club Orders** – February flyers were sent home last week. Please return all orders with payment by Wednesday, Feb. 10. Thanks!
- **Gr. 5 Music:** Practice #73-78, *It is Well With My Soul*, and small group piece. Please hand in January Calendars ASAP!
- **Memory Work:** John 1:1-5, 10-14 (due Thurs. Feb. 11). Be sure to practice every day!
- **Devotions Leaders:** Tuesday - Abiya; Thursday - Zachary
- **Grade 5 Math:** Continue to practice your 2-digit division at home. Remember to round, estimate, multiply, and subtract.
- **News in a Nutshell Reporters:** Valentina & Andrea. Be prepared to present your news article on Friday.

**IT'S COMING...  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS...**

**MARCH 5  
IS INVITE-A-FRIEND DAY!**

JK through Grade 4, do you know of other children of Christian families that you would love to have spend the day at school with you? Well, invite them to spend Friday, March 5 here at TCS. (*It's a PA Day in the public school system so they won't be missing school.*)

This year we're doing it a little differently in that JK through Grade 4 will be doing the inviting and the class treat will be given to one of these classes. Remember, your class must have at least 4 visitors in your class and the most overall to win the class treat.

More information is on its way over the coming weeks, but in the meantime...

*Let The Inviting Begin!*

**FROM THE GOLF  
COMMITTEE**

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This week:

- Tues. Feb. 9** Gr. 6 Math: Integers Test  
Language Power Quiz: Unit 6 ("Study Skills")
- Wed. Feb. 10** Scholastic Orders due  
"Winter Olympics" – dress in warm outdoor clothes
- Thurs. Feb. 11** Memory Work due  
Spelling Test: Lesson 18 (Personal word list)  
Class Trip: TDCH Play – "Schoolhouse"
- Fri. Feb. 12** Sainte-Marie trip forms due

Next week:

- Mon. Feb. 15** Enjoy time with your family! ☺
- Thurs. Feb. 18** Spelling Test: Lesson 19
- Fri. Feb. 19** Bible Test: Unit 4  
Gr. 5 Recorder playing test

**Mme. Hudson**

**Grade 6:** Vocab quizzes will continue each class. **French Club** is offered every Thursday at noon.

**Mrs. Lise**

**Health:** This week we begin looking at the bully and what makes them behave the way they do and how can we help them.

## MRS. HUDSON - GRADE 3/4

"This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."—John 15:8

Last week we began talking about what it means to bear fruit as God's children particularly as it relates to our work in the classroom. We will continue to discuss this topic this week in the context of reflecting God's image in how we do our schoolwork (Gen. 1: 27) and in thinking about things that are "excellent or praiseworthy" (Phil. 4:8).

Love (and friendship ☺) is in the air... We will do a few activities related to Valentine's Day on Fri., Feb. 12. If your child would like to hand out cards, please include everyone in the class (16 children). Let me know if you need a new class list. Please refrain from exchanging *gifts* at school.

Spelling words for Grade 3: our, are, everybody, anyone, everything, write, right, plus personal word lists.

Spelling words for Grade 4: employee, invasion, signature, deodorize, plus personal word lists.

Our unit on Fractions is going very well. Students in grade 3 who still need to catch up on memorizing their addition facts would benefit from using this time. They should all be memorized by now. Please speak to me if you are unclear on how to help your child in this area.

**Ms. Chiang**

**Social Studies:** This week we will be focusing on Canada's provinces and territories. Remember to review Canada's landforms and major bodies of water, as well as the river system. Use the review sheet sent home today to help.

**Bible:** We are looking at the story of King Saul. Read through 1 Samuel 8-12 at home this week to review what has happened so far in the story.

**Ms. Miedema**

**Gr. 4 Music:** Practice #73-78, *It is Well With My Soul*, and small group piece. Please hand in **January Calendars** ASAP!

***Here's a summary of what's coming up:***

**Wed., Feb. 10:** TCS Winter Olympics—Bring warm, outdoor clothes

**Thurs., Feb. 11:** Spelling test; Spelling assignments due



## **ANNOUNCEMENT FROM SU SPORTZ**

SU Sportz (Scripture Union Sportz) would like to invite you to join us on Family Day, February 15 2010 at Ricoh Stadium for a special day of activities for the whole family. The Marlies will face the Abbotsford Heat at 2 p.m., and have offered us Center Ice seats for \$15 each (normally \$30 each).

There will be plenty of family-friendly activities before and during the game. The purpose of this event is to provide an opportunity for church families to invite their unchurched friends to a fun event outside of the church walls.

SU Sportz has the privilege of organizing a post-game program which will be fun and interesting for all ages: it will include interviews and sharing of Christian values by public personalities including Herbie Kuhn (the Voice of the Raptors) who will be our M.C., and Paul Henderson (Canada Cup 1972). There will be Leafs personalities as well, and a short presentation of SU Sportz' own Real Deal Leadership program.

The Marlies' promo crew will bring in their mascot, and provide the children with a chance to win prizes. Bring your neighbours! Let your children invite their classmates! This is going to be a fantastic event for everyone.

If you have any questions, please email at [play@susportz.com](mailto:play@susportz.com)

## **MRS. HAYASHI – GRADE 1/2**

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Grade 1/2's announcement will come home with the students on Tuesday.

## **MRS. GROOT & MRS. PORTER – JK/SK**

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The weather certainly can be unpredictable. It keeps us humble and reminds us of God's sovereignty. At the time of this writing it is cold and sunny with very little snow on the ground. Although this weather would be detrimental for the winter Olympics in BC, not so at TCS. We have some very creative spirit club leaders. They have designed games that we can do in any weather. This Wednesday afternoon we will enjoy our very own TCS Winter Olympics. Please make sure your child is dressed for the outdoors and has extra clothes just in case.

Happy half birthday to Rebecca who turns six in the summer. We will celebrate her 5 ½ birthday today. God bless you with a fantastic rest of the year being five.

Our letter of the week is Vv "I am the vine; you are the branches." John 15:5 Vv is also for valentine. Our sight words for this week are: 'this' and 'is'. Remember, some children are coming home with a mini book. Please take the time to have your child practise reading this mini book to you.

We went to the Library today. Enjoy your books. Some children have the odd book past due. For those books, I will send home a photo copy of the card with the title and author so you can look for the book at home. If you think you have returned the book please send me a note and we will look for the book in the classroom. Thank you for so faithfully reading to your child.

February Scholastic book orders (due Wed. February 17) and the Home Activity Page came home with your child today.

Our Valentines' exchange and Friendship Celebration is this Friday. Remember your valentines and wear red and/or pink. Please do not send food treats with their valentines. I will provide a fun treat for the children on that day.

In Math we are continuing our work on geometric shapes: working in centres and doing some group activities too. Ask your child how we played Shape - 0. The children are getting better at recognizing and printing numbers 1 to 10 (JK) and 11 to 20 (SK). On the back of the Home Activity page the numbers are mixed up. Ask your child to identify the numbers. Practising daily for five minutes or even less is very helpful in improving your child's ability to identify numbers.

**100's DAY - Please read this special reminder.** Our 100<sup>th</sup> day of school is coming close. We have been counting days and it looks like our 100<sup>th</sup> day will be Friday Feb. 19. Of course we are planning a special celebration and in connection with this, please help your child make a collection of 100 items to bring to school on that day. We will be doing some activities with these items. (No food, please.) The items do not all have to be the same. (i.e. different school supplies, medical supplies, kitchen supplies, hair items, building supplies, etc.) Think about gathering items in groups of 5, 10, 20 or 50 to equal 100. This is great learning for the children and lots of fun.

*Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.* Romans 12:11