



THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Theme:

**"WE ARE SECOND TO
THE ONE"**

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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.

Staff Member Article

"I came to this school because it is a Christian School, but some people here sure don't act like it!" This statement said many years ago at a different Christian School was life changing. What does it mean to be a Christian? Is it a lifestyle or is it something else? Am I a Christian? Statements like this, cause us to think and reflect back on our lives, then moving us forward searching for answers looking for truth, changing us to be what God would have us be.

What does it mean to be a Christian? Well, this year, our theme of "We are second to the One" helps us. God is to be first in our lives. Getting to know God, through His Word, from Christian parents, relatives, friends, teachers and our pastor, at home, school, church, give us God's Riches At Christ's Expense. We may have these riches thanks to Jesus' work of redemption. Christ died so we may have life, a relationship with our Creator, the Creator of the universe. In learning who God is, we can learn who we are, what it means to be a Christian.

Is being a Christian a lifestyle or is it something else? When we look

at our life and see ourselves as part of a family that attends church regularly, prays with meals, has family devotions, parents involved in the church, attend a Christian school, mix with like-minded people, we might think, yes, this lifestyle is being a Christian. Living as a Christian is more than just a lifestyle filled with good things. It is being crucified with Christ, so I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body is by faith in the Son of God. Not always understanding why I need to learn certain things, trusting God despite my short-sightedness. Being a Christian is more than a lifestyle, it is self-denial, and doing God's will just as Jesus did.

Am I a Christian? Do I love God with my heart, soul, mind and strength? Do I submit to His will? Am I a servant to others? Am I showing that in my life, in what I do daily, how I think, live, act? Some mornings when I wake up, I know what lies before me is more than I can handle in my own strength, I am so thankful I can share this with my heavenly Father and He goes through the day with me. At the days end, it is good to

review how He took care of everything. Submitting everything to God and living in submission to Him is being a Christian.

Learning who God is and then who we are, living life as Jesus demonstrated is gold. As we look to ending this school year, with new knowledge gained, new perspectives, new "doors" opened, deepened relationships with classmates and others, an enriched life, memories made, we have much to be thankful for. May our transforming lives be visible to others and a testimony of God's grace. May we always be ready to give an answer for the hope that lies within us and to answer God's call to all Christians to go into all the world and make disciples of all the nations.

Corinne Tempelman



Celebration Tea



The school recently celebrated its annual Celebration Tea. During the afternoon program the students presented a variety of different performances for the grandparents and special friends that came to visit the students. It was a fun afternoon of food and fellowship, and the students really looked forward to the visit by their special friends in their classrooms.



Eighties Day



One of our special days this spring was an Eighties Day. The students were asked to go back in time to the 1980's and dress in the clothing that was popular during that era. The students really did their best in looking through their parents' closets and finding some really 'RAD' and 'Outa Sight' outfits. Would we ever admit that we wore those clothes when we were younger?



Art: Making Masks



The students have been having a lot of fun in art class as they are creating different masks. Grade 7/8 are creating masks of their own faces, and the high school students are creating masks of their own design.



Swimming Lessons: JK/SK - Gr. 1/2



Our primary students have had a wonderful opportunity to participate in some swimming lessons at the Canada Games Complex this spring. The students are learning skills that they will be able to use during the summer season that is coming closer and closer each and every day. The students have had a great time participating in this activity.



Having Fun with Hula Hoops

All the students in the school recently had the opportunity to participate in a free workshop that involved being active and learning how a hula hoop can be used to increase fitness and to have a lot of fun.



Grade 1 & 2 Assembly



The grade 1/2 class recently presented their class assembly to the rest of the student body. The students did a great job memorizing all of the lines for their skits, the songs, and the memory work for their assembly.



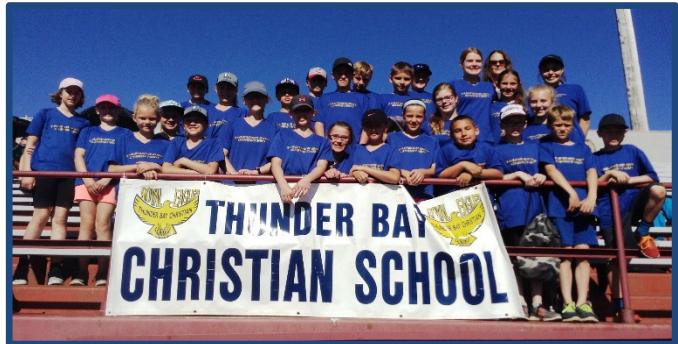
Cool Class Activities in JK/SK

All the cool activities that are happening in the kindergarten class would make the kindergarten class a fun place to revisit for a little while.



Track and Field

Our school's athletes once again had the opportunity to participate in the annual Catholic School Track Meet. The athletes represented themselves and the school in a very positive manner as they demonstrated their God given skills and did their best during the competition. Thank you to all the coaches who helped the athletes prepare for the competition.



High School Outdoor Education Class

The grade 9/10 outdoor education class has had many opportunities this year to go out and explore Thunder Bay and to witness the beauty of God's creation that is all around us here in northwestern Ontario.



Graduates and Certificates



Elise B.



Hope B.



Matthew H.



Rachel J.



Alicia N.



Julia S.



Sydney S.



Grade 10



Joel C.



Joanna H.



Ian M.

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