

# "THE SCOOP"

"STAY IN THE LOOP AT TCS & READ THE SCOOP!"

Part 5 JANUARY 2018

Only 5 more months until summer holidays! We do have to get through Valentines, St. Patrick Day, Easter & Grad, but summer is on it's way! The 2016-2017 yearbook has arrived. TCS students were very busy last year. Please remember that there is a 5-day break in February including Family Day. (Feb. 15-20) Please take some time to get outdoors with your family. Use the local arena's & ski hills, or just go for a nature walk. Talk to your children about what is going on in their lives. Find out what they enjoy at school. (gym & recess) Find out what they don't like about school. (Homework & tests). Show them you care about them by being interested in what's important to them. They grow up fast! Just check out their yearbooks!

#### Q. How do I get a paper report card?

A. You MUST contact the office staff & request a paper copy. All marks are on POWERSCHOOL. Most grades can be accessed regularly through the year. This help you see exactly how your child is doing.

## Q. Where do I find pictures of what has happened at TCS?

A. On the website. <a href="www.tcs@aspenview.org">www.tcs@aspenview.org</a> CLICK "More School News" there are folders with pictures from each month of the year. Sit down & look at them with your kids. See if they can find themselves, learn what their friends look like. FACEBOOK always has great pictures. Thorhildcentral. LIKE posts & share them with your friends & family.

## Q. I received a survey in the mail. Do I have to fill it out?

A. PLEASE fill it out & send it back. The Alberta Education Accountability Pillar Survey is sent to parents of Gr. 4, 7, & 10 students. It is a great way to provide information to the school division about how satisfied you are with the education your child is getting at TCS. It is IMPOPRTANT to complete the survey. The data will be used to improve the delivery of education. If you are SATISFIED/HAPPY with things, it is still important to hear from you.

#### Q. Are there ski trips planned?

A. YES. You should have received a package of info already. Gr. 1-6 will travel to Long Lake Ski hill twice. Gr. 7-9 will go once. Gr.7-12 students have an opportunity to travel to Jasper & ski @ Marmot! Sign up forms are in the office. The trip is March 18 & 19. Sign up ASAP! Parent helpers are welcome at Long Lake to help put boots & skis on, pick kids off the snow, buckle helmets & enjoy the day. Check with teachers to see when you can come out.

#### Q. What's "OPEN GYM NIGHT"?

A. School Council is working with staff to have a fun gym night in late February. All ages are welcome. Parents are encouraged to come out & play in the gym with the kids. Random prizes will be given out, along with drinks & snacks. Play along side our local EMS crew, your child & your neighbour. More info will be available closer to the date.

#### Q. Can I help with this year's yearbook?

A. YES. Mrs. Polak & Miss Gross will soon be starting the 2017-2018 yearbook. If you have an interest in making a great keepsake for the student's, please contact these ladies.

#### Q. What is the difference between Public, Private & Charter schools?

A. Superintendent, Mark Francis, can answer this question. School Council hopes to have Mr. Francis attend our next meeting in February to answer this for us. Plan to attend & get to hear the answer first hand.

## Q. Will the kids be going skating?

A. YES. Staff are planning skating days at the local arena for March. That gives you 1 month to dust off & sharpen your blades! Please come out to tie skates, drive the white bus & skate with your child.