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Our Mission:

TCS is an interdenominational, Christ-centred, educational environment, which provides academic, spiritual, physical and social development of children

Our Purpose:

TCS provides a sound Christ-centred education, which develops the gifts of God's children and equips them to love and serve God and all of His creation.

Our Theme:

"...if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." Phillipians 4:8

From the Office...

"The best sermon is a good example."
Benjamin Franklin

Much of the activity in any school, at this time of year, deals with evaluation, especially as we get close to report card time. Teachers evaluate student progress through daily observations of their seatwork, their interactions with others and their written work and projects. But evaluation also has a self-evaluation component for the instructors. Educators need to reflect on the effectiveness of their

What's Happening at TCS?

Chapel

There will be no chapel this week as Friday is a Professional Development Day for the teachers.

No Classes this Friday

Just a reminder that Friday, November 18th is a Professional Development Day. Teachers will be working on evaluations and report cards.

TCS FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – This Thursday!

Please be sure to be there – we need your involvement. Remember to bring your Annual Fall Report, which went home last week. The financial report has not yet been approved, so they will be available at the meeting on Thursday. Coffee will be on. Meeting starts at 7:30pm in the Music room. Remember that your attendance will count for PITCH hours.

Lice

Please check your child(ren)s head as a case of lice has been found in the upper grades!

Mrs. Goodnough, Principal

educational program and their instructional methods in order to make adjustments for the next term.

Students don't always need adults telling them how to do something or how to live; rather they need to be shown. Our children are always evaluating how well we can 'walk the talk'. They need good examples to help them steer in the right direction. As well, they need to get a better sense of the greatest example of all – Jesus.

Families Coming and Going

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to the Vlasblom family, Logan in Grade 1 and Erin in JK, who are moving to Alberta. Also, the Corkett family is moving to Thunder Bay. Liam is in Grade 5 and Aiden is in Grade 3. We wish you God's blessing as you settle in your new homes and schools. Keep in touch!

We welcome the Du Preez family. They have moved here from South Africa and are about to experience their first Canadian winter!! Mika is in Grade 8 and Connor is in the full-time SK class.

Photo Retakes—THIS TUESDAY!!

For those requesting retakes and absentees the date will be **Tuesday, November 15th at 9:00 am.**

Praise and Prayers...

This Monday, the staff had the opportunity to pray for the following families:

Fords, Fungs, Garlands, and Gourleys



Last Friday morning, one of our buses was involved in an accident. We are so thankful to God that there were no serious injuries!

Please pray for the Knight family as their 9 month old son is in Sick Kids Hospital. He has GAINED WEIGHT this week which is a huge answer to prayer!! Praise the Lord! Please continue to pray for this family for strength and rest in the days and nights to come.

Christmas Gifts for Parents

Normally classes make gifts in art class for their parents for Christmas. This year, we are trying to cut back on spending so there will be no homemade gifts from the students; however, students will still be making cards.

Dental Screening

December 5 and 6 is dental screening for all students. More information will be coming home soon so please be watching for it!



With Much Appreciation

The grade 8 class wishes to thank you once again for your support of our meat fundraiser. We were able to sell 441 boxes. We hope you create many wonderful memories while gathered around the dinner table with friends and family. We'll see you again in May!

~Grade 8

LOST – Clarinet

A Grade 8 student left their clarinet on the school bus a few weeks ago. Unfortunately, it is still missing. We have checked with Unity Christian High School as well. If you happen to see or have any information regarding this lost instrument, please contact Robin at the school office. Thanks very much.

Outside Maintenance

If you are handy and have some time to work on general school maintenance and are looking for ways to get some PITCH hours, we would love to share the workload. Volunteer opportunities are available for inside and outside maintenance. We offer flexible hours (day or evening) and job security. If you are interested, please contact Jan.

PITCH Update

1. LAST big reminder to send in all PITCH agreement forms and cheques if you have not yet done so. The PITCH Committee has been working hard this Fall to establish the new program changes, and we really appreciate all the support, cooperation, and helpful feedback! Thanks so much to everyone!

2. Attending the Fall Society meeting this Thursday allows you to claim 2.5 PITCH hours. See you there!

~The PITCH Committee

Jump Rope/Hoops for Heart

We will be needing some volunteers to run the stations on our event on Friday, November 25. The schedule for the day is:

11:00-12:00	JK-Grade 2
	(Jump Rope)
1:10-2:00	Grades 3-5
	(Jump Rope)
2:15-3:15	Grades 6-8
	(Hoops)



If you are available to help out during a specific time slot or for all of them, please contact Mrs. Smith or Mrs. Geertsema at the school or via e-mail. You may claim PITCH hours for helping us, so please sign up!

Donations are due on Monday, November 21st. When asking for donations, please only ask people you know and do not go door-to-door.

Scrapday 2011

This day has been booked for Saturday, January 28, 2012. Tickets will go on sale at the Christmas Bazaar on November 19, 2011. Don't miss the early bird price of \$40 for a full day from 9am—8pm. After January 13, 2012 the price will be \$45.

Barrie Colts Tickets

Looking for a GREAT Christmas gift idea??!! TCS is selling tickets to the Barrie Colts game on December 29th! Stay tuned for more information in next weeks newsletter!



Volleyball Teams – Go TCS Go!

The girl's and boy's team will be travelling to Meaford on Wednesday, November 16th to participate in the North of Toronto District Volleyball tournament.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR—NOVEMBER 19, 2011

TCS Christmas Bazaar and Auction

This Saturday, November 19th from 9am—2pm. Remember to mark this day on your calendars! We encourage you to invite as many friends, neighbours, families and coworkers that you can! Many auction items have been rolling in already and it looks like it is going to be a great day! We always have a PD day the day before the bazaar (the 18th) for the committee to have lots of time to set up their areas.

For those of you who are new to our community we have a list of areas in which you can be involved in order to fill your PITCH hours or just to join in the fun! There's something for everyone!

The *Christmas Garden* can still use more garden items. If you are interested in making any fresh arrangements, please call Lisa Miller. There will be a raffle for a couple of decorated mini Christmas trees—perfect for an apartment or home!

The *Kitchen* requires a number of people to keep it running smoothly. Please contact Sandra ASAP if you can help out with any of the following:

Workers: 2 people for cashier, 1 person to help with table clean up, dishwashing general kitchen help from 10-2

Deep Fryers: Anyone willing to donate their deep fryers for the day, they are needed for deep frying the croquettes. We need 2 of them to keep up with the flow of sale.

Food Donations: 7 Pots of homemade soup. Pea soup is a hit but at this point I'll take any kind. 5 Pots of chili, 100 juice boxes, cases of pop (only have one case donated so far)

The *Games Room* is looking for more helpers! Please contact Dorothy or Lisa if you have time to help man some games. We also could use some medium and large prizes. This could include gently used stuffed animals or other gently used toys.

Shuffleboards Needed

If you have a shuffleboard game, please call the school. We are hoping for 2!

Donations for the *Live & Silent Auction* are always appreciated (and needed!). If you're out shopping and pick something up **OR** if you have a service you can donate, please call Julie Eisses or drop it off in the office. As well, helpers are needed during the live auction and at the end of the silent auction. Please contact Julie if you have an hour or two in the afternoon. A list of auction items is attached to today's newsletter! More items will be at the auction that have arrived over the weekend and throughout this week!

Walter's Amazing Vegetable Stand will need help in the front foyer setting up (the day before) and selling carrots, potatoes, onions, kale, yams, peppers, tulip bulbs and fresh floral bouquets on the day of the bazaar.

Bakery—Who can't resist the taste of fresh, homemade baked goods? We are hoping A LOT of people at the upcoming Timothy Bazaar!!

We are asking every family in the school to participate in our baked goods table by donating their talent and time in making some squares, loaves, boeterkoek or any other specialty!! Please give us a call to let us know what you would like to donate so we can get an idea of what to count on! We also need one more person from 10:30am-12:30pm.

This year you have a chance to win a
**KITCHENAID MIXER,
CURTIS STONE
MIXING BOWLS,
TWO AMAZING
COOKBOOKS and
other accessories
amounting to a \$500
value!!**

Raffle tickets will be sold for only \$20!! Tickets can be purchased **NOW** from Robin in the office and on the day of the sale.



The Bakery Table is once again selling pre-ordered **HOMEMADE** boeterkoek! We are so excited to offer this awesome authentic Dutch treat once again this year Please bring in your fresh baked goods Thursday, Nov. 17 and place them in the kitchen clearly marked for the Bazaar Bake Table.

Thank you very much for your help in this fun school event!! If you have questions, please call Kathrin or Monica.

This year there will be a new *Candy Store* and we're looking for donations to help stock it. Please consider donating candy by dropping it off at the office the next time you're at the school. **We also need helpers!!** If you can volunteer some time, please call the school.

Vendors—Mr. and Mrs. Demmings are organizing the vendor tables. They will be accepting phone calls for any artisan or craftsperson interested in renting a table. Gym - \$45 8 ft. table provided or Hallway - \$30 bring your own 8 ft. table. If you or someone you know is interested please give Randy and Christina a call. As usual, we will accept only vendors that sell homemade cottage industry products (some exceptions for food)

- **absolutely no** mass produced items such as Tupperware, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, Discovery Toys, Party Lite Candles, etc.

Christmas Cheer

Student Council will be collecting toys, diapers, canned goods, and new hats and mittens for Christmas Cheer! Students will be going around on Tuesday to tell students more details!

Unity Day in Barrie!

The Grade 7 and 8 students enjoyed a fun packed day at Unity on Wednesday, November 9th. The students had an opportunity to get a feel for what Unity has to offer in courses and programs, as well as a time to connect with other Grade 7 & 8 students in the area. Thank you to all the drivers who helped transport our students safely there and home.



THE ZIPLOC GAME

A hearty welcome to all the new families at TCS!

We'd like to tell you about our Ziploc Game that takes place in the Children's Game Room at our annual Christmas Bazaar! We'd love for you to participate! It's fun and it will cost you next to nothing to join in!

What we typically ask our families to do is to go around their homes and find any neat little thingy-dingies that are new or gently used that you no longer use or need and put it into a sandwich-sized Ziploc bag.

Maybe you have some marbles, hockey cards or any trading cards, pencils, erasers, hair-clips, hair accessories, small toys of any sort, candies, smarties, m&m's, lego, cd's, small craft supplies, stickers, magnets, jewellery, match-box cars or any small item that you think another child would like.

Each bag is then given a number. You pay your loonie to the person in charge and pick a number out of a hat. Whatever number you pick will have a corresponding numbered Ziploc bag and that's the bag you get! It will always be a surprise to see what you end up with! You can even trade bags with your friends if they have something you like and you have something they like!!!!

So have fun everyone! Remember, Moms and Dads, this is a great way to get rid of some clutter, (but useful to someone else!) around the home!

Maybe you have some leftover Halloween candy? Bring your bags in to your teachers and we will collect them on November 17th, the Thursday before the Bazaar.

SEE YOU ON SAT NOVEMBER 19, 2011!!

OPEN HOUSE at Unity Christian High School

Wednesday, November 30, 9:00AM to 12:00 noon

AND

Wednesday, November 30, 7:30 to 9:00PM

This day at the high school (25 Burton Ave.) is intended for any parents who want to know more about Unity Christian High School. Whether your child is in grade 6, 7 or 8, this is a perfect opportunity to see the school, meet the teachers and students in the morning, or meet with the principal in the evening.

In the morning, you will have an opportunity to visit classes, speak with students and staff and tour the school. In the evening, if that time works better for you, you will be able to tour the school, meet with the principal and some current parents and have some questions answered (transportation, tuition and the like).

If you wish to join us in the morning, please call the school (705-792-6915) to register, and we'll make sure there's lunch for you as well.