



INSPIRE

BURSARY CAMPAIGN

*Here's the Challenge:
Donations by May 1st, will be matched 4 to 1!*

Join us today...together we can INSPIRE the future!

Are you up to this Challenge?

We've received great feedback as well as a series of generous donations to the INSPIRE Bursary Campaign!

We now have a challenge
for the TCS Community...
ARE YOU UP FOR IT?

**4
to
1
challenge!**

*Every dollar donated
by May 1st will be matched 4 to 1!*

*Consider this: \$500 turns into \$2500
and \$1000 turns into \$5000*

*We can ALL make a difference!
Join us to INSPIRE the future...*

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For details, check out: www.inspiretimothy.ca

Professional Activity Day Monday, January 30

A reminder from the TCS year at a glance that **there will be no school next Monday, January 30th** as TCS staff will be writing report cards on that day. With the snow days recently it has been challenging assessing students so we are very much looking forward to a normal week gathering information to use on Monday, January 30 to articulate and write report cards for parents.

Report cards will be sent home to parents with each student on February 8th at the end of the school day. Please note optional parent/teacher conferences are set for the following week on Thursday evening February 16 as a follow-up to any questions parents may have about report cards.



January 23, 2017

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TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

www.timothychristianschool.ca

Split Chapel this Friday in the Music Room

Grade 4 will be leading a chapel for primary grades this Friday at 9:00am in the Music Room. Next Friday, Feb. 3, grade 6 will be leading the grade 5-8 chapel in the music room at 9am.

Open House Date on February 13 from 9am-12pm

A reminder to ask a potential family to attend our first TCS open house of the spring on the morning of February 13th. Share the good news of Christian education.

Re-Registration Packages Going Home on Wed. Feb. 1

A reminder that all existing TCS families will receive a re-registration package on Wednesday, February 1st asking you to complete it and return it to the office within two weeks along with a \$300 deposit to hold a place for your child(ren) at TCS for September 2017.

Thank you TCS parents in advance for your support in this journey as we now begin to plan for next year. For those families who missed the TCS November Membership meeting, our Finance Committee presented a seven year plan using 4% as the predictable rate of increase for tuition going forward over the next few years (to the best of our ability).

JANUARY

- 25 Hockey Practice
- 27 Split Chapel & Pizza Day
- 30 **PD Day for Report Card Writing—NO SCHOOL**

FEBRUARY

- 1 Hockey Practice
- 2 Founders Cup Hockey Tournament at Holly CC
- 3 Milk orders due & Pizza Day
- 8 Term 1 Report Cards Go Home
- 10 Full Chapel & Pizza Day
- 13 **TCS Open House 9am-noon**
- 15 Basketball Tournament @ TCS
- 16 Parent-Teacher Conferences 4-9pm
- 17 Pizza Day
- 20 **Family Day—NO SCHOOL**
- 24 Full Chapel, Pizza Day & Debt-Free Kids Workshop

- 28 Grad Photo Day

MARCH

- 1 Grade 7&8 Immunizations
- 3 Pizza Day
- 6 **TCS Open House 9am-noon**

Friday Night Skiing at Snow Valley

Once again, Snow Valley is offering discounted Friday evening rates for our school this season! The dates are Fridays, as follows: Jan. 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24, Mar. 3 and 10

Rentals are \$15 for ski's or snowboard equipment
Lift ticket and lesson is \$16.25
Tubing is \$18
Note that lessons are at 4:30pm and 5:30pm.



TO RESERVE A SPOT YOU MUST E-MAIL ED WRIGHT AT wright_29@yahoo.ca BY NO LATER THAN NOON ON WED OF THE WEEK YOU WISH TO SKI. ONLY USE E-MAIL TO PLACE YOUR RESERVATIONS! In your email please let us know: the number of lift tickets, rentals (ski or snowboard), and tubing tickets you are ordering. Include the name of the person picking up the tickets on Friday. **All tickets must be picked up no later than 5:15pm on the day of skiing.** Thank you! We look forward to another fun season of skiing!

THANK YOU so much to those who contributed to Scrapday this year!! From the committee to vendors to those who made food! Thank you so much for everyone's part in this amazing fundraiser! A reminder to those who made soup that your crockpots are in the gym kitchen. Thanks so much!

New Milk Order Forms DUE FEB. 3

This fundraiser runs from Feb. 13-June 16. There will be no milk on Fri. May 19th due to Track and Field Day. Snow days will be covered the last week of school—the week of June 19th. Forms are due Friday, Feb. 3.

Please Pass it on to Church Leaders—Rental Opportunity at TCS September 2017!

As you may be aware, Harvest Bible Chapel is in their last year with us and they plan to move into their new building by August 31, 2017. **This means there will be a rental opportunity for a new church at TCS starting September of 2017.**

Diving Deeper by Faith



"Now **faith** is **confidence** in what we hope for and **assurance** about what we do not see." ~ Hebrews 11:1

THE AMAZING RACE EXPERIENCE

TCS Amazing Race Experience Fundraiser!

After rave reviews and fundraising success, the TCS Amazing Race Experience will be back this year on Saturday, April 22! I had a wonderful core group of people last year to plan and carry out this endeavour and am looking for some enthusiastic Amazing Race group members once again. If you are interested in helping make this super fun fundraiser a success for our school family, please do email me at ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca.

TCS FAMILIES—This will be a thrilling race full of detour challenges and road blocks much like the popular TV

show, and will take place in various locations and pit stops all over our city of Barrie. Start thinking up your Race Team of 4 people and registration details will be coming out soon. **Mark your calendars for this exciting fundraiser event – Saturday, April 22!**

~ Jessica VanLoenen

PITCH

Battle of the Books—Read From Home!

Attention Readers! If you enjoy reading and need some extra PITCH hours please consider helping out our **Battle of the Books** teams. We are looking for some parents who will commit to reading a few of our novels and to writing questions as they read. The team uses these short questions to 'study' and review the material in the novels for our competition in April. We will provide sample questions to our readers to help you get started. Please contact Tamara Kloosterman (Junior Team) at tkloosterman@timothychristianschool.ca or Jody Vanderboon (Senior Team) at jvanderboon@timothychristianschool.ca if you would like to get PITCH hours while you read at home!

Amazing Race Committee

The TCS Amazing Race Experience will be back this year on Saturday, April 22! I am looking for some enthusiastic Amazing Race group members to plan and carry out this fundraiser again this year. If you are interested in helping please email me at ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca, even if you cannot make the first meeting this Wednesday!

~ Jessica VanLoenen

You may report your hours by email to timothypitch@gmail.com or by filling out the paper forms on the info table in the school office.

Homework Highlights

Grade 4

Tue. Jan. 24 Health: Muscle Quiz
Fri. Jan. 27 Bible Test: Samuel

Grade 5

Tue. Jan. 24 Spelling Test—Lesson 14
Thu. Jan. 26 Science Test - Matter
Wed. Feb. 1 MW: Luke 2:17-20 (fill in the blanks)
Fri. Feb. 3 Reading Around God's World goal due

Grades 6-8 Homework info is available on Schoology.

Old iPhones

We are looking for old generation iPhones that can be used as iPods for in class learning and research. This is an on going collection in hopes we can facilitate a whole class learning environment. If you have the charger for them too that is very helpful. Any passwords also need to be disengaged so that we can access and refresh the programs on the phone. Please bring them to the office and leave with Robin. Thanks so much.

Coffee and Prayer Time—Monday Mornings

Please feel free to join us, any week that you can, for a coffee/tea and a time of prayer on Monday mornings from 9-10am in the staff room. Babies and pre-schoolers welcome! If you are unable to join us but have a prayer request, please email Isabel.back@gmail.com and we will add your request to our prayer list.

Debt-Free Kids Workshop

Peter VanderHelm will be leading a workshop at TCS on Friday, February 24th in regards to finances! You won't want to miss this opportunity so make sure you save the date! More details to come!

Unity Christian High School Information

The parents of Unity Christian High School would like to invite you to an evening of dessert and discussion on Wednesday February 8th at 7.30pm. In an informal environment, please come and talk with us about education in a Christian high school. Ask your questions and meet families who made the decision to send their children to Unity. We would love to meet with you. Please RSVP to Pamela at info@unitychristianhigh.ca by February 6th.



Re-Source Thrift Shop—Barrie South

Donations keep coming in and we have lots to do at 28 Commerce Park Drive, Unit B. If you have any time, please come by and we will put you to work!

If you would like to be added to our email/Facebook community distribution please email Penny passion4realestate@hotmail.com

We are always in need of volunteers to keep the store open.

RETAIL JOB OPPORTUNITY:

Re-Source Thrift Shop -

Barrie NORTH (221

Cundles Rd. E. Unit 6 & 7)

is currently seeking a

person to fill a need as a

Full Time (40 hr/week)

Salesperson. This paid position would require opening and closing the store 5 days a week (2 out of 4

Saturdays/month required), be responsible to be the

daily cashier, assist in the daily operation of the store and acquire general knowledge and understanding

of store operations. Applicants must be willing to work within a team environment and excel at customer

service. Applications will be accepted until Monday

February 6th, 2017, at 12:00pm. Please email resume

to Kevin at vanschubert@sympatico.ca or contact at

(647)531-1379 for more information.

now apply now
hiring



Join us at
Timothy Christian School
for an Open House tour!



Open House 2017:

February 13th: 9am-Noon

March 6th: 9am-Noon

April 10th: 9am-Noon & 7-8:30pm

May 8th: 9am-Noon & 7-8:30pm

June 12th: 9am-Noon

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Parent Survey Results from Spring TCS Parent Survey and Parent Exit Surveys

November 2016

Below you will find a summary of the results from both the May TCS parent survey and results from our parent exit surveys that TCS does in late September and October.

Thank you parents for your feedback as your input is appreciated. All the comments are read. The direct comments are reviewed by a committee of the board and the administration. The themes are then compiled and we look for consistent comments that are mentioned several times for the final summary. Then the board and the staff review a summary of the results and learn from the themes that come out.

We appreciate your feedback and learn every year from the main theme areas how to improve at TCS. Our heart is to continue to improve and get closer to the school God longs for us to be.

TCS Vision statement..."Timothy Christian School delivers a dynamic vibrant learning environment offering leading edge programs that inspire children to be alive in Christ."

Survey Question - How did we, at TCS, do this past year in reaching our vision?

Parent Feedback:

- 19 out of the 23 who commented on this section rated us either excellent or very good (10 stating excellent).

Survey questions: Where have you seen evidence of us meeting our vision statement?

Parent Feedback:

- Parents stated school chapels, positive student environment and TCS community. These examples were mentioned multiple times in the survey as evidence of reaching our vision.
- Other examples included service projects, working hard on Christian worldview and challenging students in their faith as other examples of evidence.

Survey question: What are the top two areas that TCS is shining bright in?

Parent Feedback:

- Clear and good communication between staff and parents and the improved communication between board and membership this year.
- Positive student atmosphere/positive parent community connections at TCS (mentioned multiple times by parents).
- The teachers at TCS (mentioned multiple times by parents) and especially how TCS staff pursue Christ-centered learning and lead by example.
- Projects teachers are doing with students, the discussions on growth mindset and the move in this direction of deeper learning.

Survey question: What are two areas that TCS could work on to improve the school?

Parent Feedback:

- A continued focus on the French program and to continue the journey to improve it and keep it fun and hands on.
- A request for no student tests on Monday (this change to no Monday tests across the grades was made by TCS staff at the start of this school year).
- Some feedback that student homework could be a bit much at times.
- A focus on smaller classes when possible.
- Continued momentum to improve technology at TCS (appreciation for what has been done thus far and a focus to continue).

Survey question: Are there any areas that the board/administration should have on their radar?

Parent Feedback:

- Email response time could improve in certain areas (student issues are dealt with promptly but in other areas there was delay at times).
- A parent suggestion box could be added at the school for ideas and input on an ongoing basis.
- Keep security in mind regarding the monitoring of visitors as they enter the school (Consideration of a front door buzz-in process that some other schools have adopted. Note: This is being considered for future)



Yearbook

Sponsorship Program 2016-2017

Would you like to **support our school**, but don't know how to?

Could your business use some **great advertising** to boost your sales?

We are announcing a new format and design for our TCS Yearbook this year, working along with LifeTouch Photography. By purchasing advertising space in the upcoming yearbook, you can help support TCS, while highlighting your business!

**Advertising Prices will be listed
in the upcoming Newsletters.**

**Due to publishing restrictions,
advertising deadline
is set for March 31st.*

LifeTouch®

For more details, contact: 705.726.6621 or email
tcovert@timothychristianschool.ca

Yearbook News!!

There will be a new format for the TCS Yearbook this year, working along with Lifetouch Photography. This year, the new design offers a hardcover/full colour format....with a new advertising twist!!

We're offering the opportunity for Advertising sponsorship within the yearbook to offset the cost of print & design. Please see the attached poster and the price outline for the variety of sizes offered. If you would like to sponsor and advertise for your business (or family) in support of TCS this year, please contact Tina Covert or Michelle Roberts

tcovert@timothychristianschool.ca

mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca

We pray this will be a great year of captured memories!

**Ads can be either horizontal or vertical based on your company logo or design.*

1/2 Page Advertising

Size: 8" x 5.395"

Price: \$125.00

1/4 Page Advertising

Size: 4.275" x 5"

Price: \$70.00

1/8 Page Advertising

Size: 3.685" x 2.5"

Price: \$50.00

Business Card Ad*

Size: 3.5" x 2"

Price: \$35.00

(*Provide your own business card)

"Tagline Twenty" Price: \$20.00

Running along the bottom of a printed page:
(*"Lovingly sponsored by the _____ Family"*)