

## NEWSLETTER

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#### TCS Staff Attend Toronto North Professional Development Day...This Friday—PD DAY

A reminder from the TCS Year at a Glance that was sent out in August, there will be no school at TCS this Friday as our staff join all the Toronto region Christian schools at TDCH to learn about the 'Responsive Classroom". This PD day will focus more on what kind of good structures need to be in place in a classroom/school which lead to more effective learning.

The 'Responsive Classroom' consists of practical strategies that better support social, emotional and academic growth which leads to strong and safe communities.

Our Christian school organization is constantly reviewing the best school strategies that lead to the most effective teaching. This Friday's one day workshop will be about what school structures best allow and support good learning environments.

The link between a good school atmosphere and effective learning is proven again and again. That is why at TCS we spend a lot of time on the 'minor student situations' because we know if we do a good job of dealing with the 2 - 4 (on a scale of 1 - 10) situations we stay proactive and keep them from getting higher on the scale...which leads to better learning overall and a stronger community.

This workshop on Friday, with over 20 other Christian schools, will cause us to dig even deeper into this research.

#### MARCH

28 Grad Photo Day

Badminton Practice (3:30—4:45)

29 Pizza Day & new pizza forms due today

31 PD Day—NO SCHOOL

#### APRIL

3 Badminton Practice (lunch)

6 Badminton Practice (3:30—4:45)

7 Pastor Appreciation Morning & Pizza Day

10 TCS Open House 9am-noon & 7-8:30pm

11 Badminton Practice (3:30—4:45)

12 Pizza Day

13 Badminton Practice (lunch)

14-17 Easter Weekend—NO SCHOOL

#### **Important Upcoming TCS Events**

A reminder of four very important dates for students at TCS in April:

- 1. Pastor Appreciation Day next Friday, April 7
- Student Presentation Evening April 27 from 6 8 at TCS. You don't want to miss this!
   6-7pm Student PBL project celebrations
   7-8pm Spring Presentations (the same presentation that will be presented at Grandparents Day—this includes both choirs, gr. 6-8 bands and a black light presentation)
- 3. Grandparents Day on Friday, April 28 from 11:30 2:30 (please note the later start this year and **new start time** going forward)

Parents, if you could make every effort to have your children at school for these upcoming events for the choirs and bands we would greatly appreciate it.

#### <u>2017 Spring Parent Survey...We would love to hear from You!</u>

A reminder that throughout the month of March we have been sending out the TCS Spring 2017 Parent survey attached to the newsletter email each week. This will be the third and last time it will be attached to the weekly newsletter.

We do plan to have it available at the Spring Presentation/Student Project evening for parents on April 27th as well as at the May membership meeting just incase we missed anyone.

Please take the time to fill them out online and email them or print them out and hand them into the office or place them in our parent feedback box. We greatly value your feedback and would like to hear from all of our families on how we are doing.

#### Hot Chocolate and Pajama Day!

'Tired' of the chilly weather? Well it's time to shake off our boots and jump into another 'Spirit Day' at TCS! Next <u>Wed, Mar. 29</u>, the Student Council will be hosting our annual Hot Chocolate and Pajama Day. A cup of hot chocolate costs <u>\$1.00</u> per student and all proceeds go to our sister school in the Dominican Republic. Money will be collected by classroom teachers until March 29. So put on your favourite 'jammies' and slippers and join us as we say 'good night' to winter!



#### Diving Deeper by Faith

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

#### **Grad Photos—Tomorrow!**

Reminder that Grade 8 Grad Photos are tomorrow, March 28! Please bring a white collared shirt, and boys should also have a tie.



#### <u>Existing TCS Family Registration Confirmation For</u> <u>September 2017</u>

This week the administration will begin to interview and approve new families for September 2017. For the few existing TCS families who have not returned their registration confirmation yet for September 2017, please note we start to place new students into classes this week and the board does begin to consider class size guidelines this time of year. Waiting lists are a possibility when classes begin to grow.

#### Not returning to TCS in September?

If you are moving or not returning to TCS next September please put this in writing to the front office so we can plan on this as well. March and April are traditionally our 'New Family Interviews' months and we try to be as organized as we can holding spots for our returning TCS families before we accept new families.

Occasionally we have to cap classes in the spring and would not want to miss a family or assume they are not returning. Your help in informing us will help us hold a spot for you - thank you in advance.

#### **Homework Highlights**

#### Grade 4

Wed. Mar. 28 MW - Psalm 51: 10-11 (Recitation)

Thur. Mar. 30 Spelling Test: Unit 22

Wed. Apr. 5 MW - Psalm 51:10-12 (Written)

Fri. Apr. 7 Spelling Test: Unit 23

Social Studies Quiz: First Nations Vocab

Thurs. Apr. 13 NO Spelling Test

Math Test: Fractions

Thurs. Apr. 20 Bible Test: King David

#### Grade 5

Tues. Mar. 28 Spelling Test: Unit 20

Wed. Mar. 29 MW - John 3: 16-19 (Fill in the Blank)

Thurs. Mar. 30 RAG slips due Mon. Apr. 3 RAGW goal due Wed. Apr. 5 Quiz on verbs

Thur. Apr. 6 Math Test: Transformational Geometry

French Test

Fri. Apr. 13 Easter Chapel

Grades 6-8 Homework info is available on Schoology.

#### PITCH

#### **HOT DOG DAY—Help Needed**

In order for us to run Hotdog Days after March Break, WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS! Normally we'd send



home order forms today; however, we need more parents to help with making hotdogs! If you are available on Mondays and some Wednesdays from

11:30am-1pm (YOU DON'T NEED TO BE AVAILABLE FOR EVERY SINGLE ONE—we put a schedule together if you are only available some dates). Please contact Karen at 289-338-1579 or by email at ttkhorlings@hotmail.com and hopefully we can send out order forms after March Break!

#### Pasta Dinner & Show—with the OPP Chorus

We are in need of help in the kitchen and serving dinner for this event. Please contact Michelle Roberts if you're interested!

mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca

#### ITEM NEEDED FOR THE TCS AMAZING RACE

If you have a canoe we can borrow for Saturday, April 22 for a challenge on the Amazing Race, please email Jessica VanLoenen at ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca. We will need a few. Thank you!

#### Are you handy or creative?

As we near the Amazing Race Experience on April 22, we also near the Family Fun Carnival that will accompany this event. As part of the Carnival we need a few super fun carnival games to be constructed. We certainly have a number lined up already but if we could get a few more talented individuals, or couples that could construct one or more that would be terrific. This is one way to earn some solid PITCH hours. Please email Adam VanLoenen avanloenen@northwoodmortge.com to



#### **BASEBALL SEASON is coming!**

The TCS Baseball Team is short on our roster this year. Would you enjoy a great season of fun, activity, a committed team sport & fellowship with other TCS families?? If you're looking for a team to get connected with this season, look no further!!

We would love to hear from you! Please contact Julie Eisses for more details at <u>jjeisses@hotmail.com</u>.

## THE AMAZING RACEE EXPERIENCE



Mark your calendars for our AMAZING RACE 2017 fundraiser for Timothy Christian School

## Saturday, April 22 Teams of 4

only \$100 per person

All are welcome to an afternoon of fun, food, games, competitions, face painting & much more!

More details coming soon!

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#### TCS AMAZING RACE AND CARNIVAL—SAT. APRIL 22:

After rave reviews and fundraising success, the TCS Amazing Race Experience will be back this year on **Saturday**, **April 22**!

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 the City of Barrie. We are sure you have heard how much FUN this event is from last year's contestants, and this year's race will be longer and have all new challenges!

Find the registration form for teams as well as Sponsorship Opportunity Package by visiting the Events tab at www.timothychristianschool.ca.

### PLEASE REGISTER YOUR TEAM THIS WEEK FOR THE AMAZING RACE!! FIRM DEADLINE OF FRIDAY, MARCH 31!

Getting your team of 4 people together and registering for the Race this week will really help us in planning and ordering supplies.

Email Jessica VanLoenen at <u>ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca</u> if you have any questions at all about the Race or Carnival.

TCS FAMILIES—We are planning a Family Fun Carnival Saturday, April 22 starting at 2pm at the school while others are running the Amazing Race. This will be open to all of YOU as well as anyone you'd like to invite for a fun Saturday afternoon out. Carnival Admission will be \$10/ticket and will be available starting next week. There will be a live animal show, full size obstacle course, bouncy castle, carnival booths, games, competitions for adults and kids, face painting and more! Please plan on attending this exciting fundraiser event with your family, friends and neighbours. Help it be a success for Timothy!

A huge THANK YOU to our Business Sponsors so far: re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie South Holmes for Homes Realty, & Contractors Rental Supply Barrie (CRS)

#### TCS Now Having Conversations about Church Rentals

Letters went out last week to all the Barrie churches informing them that TCS has rental space available after Harvest leaves at the end of August 2017.

We have informally talked with several churches but we do not have a church renting for the fall at this point. The plan to assertively pursue a church renter for Sundays is part of the strategic plan over the next few months. Any leads from our TCS parent or supporting would be greatly appreciated.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS, More info to come...

**Pastor Appreciation Day:** April 7

FAMILY EVENT: Amazing Race & Carnival: April 22

Grandparents Day: April 28

FAMILY EVENT: Pasta Dinner & OPP Chorus: May 12

Purchase tickets by emailing the school!

Advance tickets: \$15 for a family of 5, or \$5 per

ticket.

Tickets at the door: \$20 per family, or \$8 per ticket.

Pasta dinner starts at 6:00pm, OPP Chorus

performance is at 7:30pm (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME)

Golf Tournament: May 26

#### Pizza Forms

Forms are available on the TCS website under the "Resources" tab. These are due March 29 to start the new pizza cycle on April 12th.

#### **Yearbook Sales**

Beginning this week you will see advertising for yearbook sales. We will officially start taking money next week. There is an online purchasing opportunity order online: ybpay.lifetouch.com. This year's yearbook is a newly formatted hardcover edition developed by a team of students under the leadership of Mrs. Covert.

This year's yearbook costs: \$15. The number of books being published is limited so purchase early to avoid disappointment.

#### Yearbook Advertising

Thank you to the Timothy Community for your overwhelming support of advertising in this year's newly formatted TCS yearbook. Those members of the community who have contacted us will receive confirmation details soon.

There is **NO** advertising space left; 26 "Tagline Twenty" spots do remain where individuals and families can sponsor a page with the tagline at the bottom: "Lovingly sponsored by the \_\_\_\_\_Family"

Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Tina Covert (tcovert@timothychristianschool.ca) or Mrs. Michelle Roberts (mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca)

#### **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.

#### **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.





Check out inspiretimothy.ca for details.

#### **Inspire Bursary Campaign**

Thank you for your continued support for the INSPIRE BURSARY CAMPAIGN. We have been blessed with wonderful support to build our Bursary Fund for our future, but we still need your help. Please consider donating today...any donations made up until May 1st will graciously be matched 4 to 1...join us for a brighter future at TCS!

#### re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie South

We are looking to the community for three specific time slots that are consistently not being covered:

Tuesdays 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm Thursdays 5:00 - 7:00 pm Fridays 1:30 - 5:00 pm

Consider committing to even just one of these shifts per month, it would help out immensely with our scheduling.

There is a SHORTAGE this week of the above shifts as well as: Saturday 1:30 - 5:00 pm

Contact Amanda if you are able to help out at amandajoysmith@outlook.com



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



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





#### **TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

invites you to join us for our upcoming...

#### PASTA DINNER & SHOW!



Join us for an entertaining evening for all!

Enjoy a pasta dinner, fellowship and a musical performance! The OPP Chorus will sing a variety of music that's sure to please everyone, from gospel greats to current movie hits!

Dinner at 6:00pm - OPP Chorus at 7:30pm

Please purchase tickets in advance! Family of 5 for \$15 or single tickets for \$5 (Tickets at the door \$8 each) Order your tickets now! Call: 705-726-6621



The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Chorus was formed in 1998 and is supported by the Communications Support Unit of O.P.P. Corporate Communications. As Goodwill Ambassadors, the Chorus sings for various O.P.P. functions as well as performing in Churches, nursing homes and senior's residences as well as for service clubs and community events.

Their repertoire includes gospel and other sacred pieces, Broadway tunes, current movie hits and many popular songs, plus a full Christmas program. With such a broad range of music the chorus is sure to please everyone.

Join us for a great evening of entertainment! See you soon...