



TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Monday, September 18, 2017

TCS School BBQ...This Thursday at 5:30 in the Gym!

We welcome all of our TCS parents to the TCS school BBQ this Thursday, September 21st for a 5:30 start in the school gym with opening welcome!

5:30 – welcome in the TCS gym

5:45 – 6:30 – Food and fellowship in the parking lot at the back of the school (thank you board members for cooking up the burgers and hotdogs!)

6:30 – 7:00 – Meet and greet the teachers in the classrooms (we have traditionally used this 30 minutes for students to show parents their classroom and give a chance for the parent to meet their child's teacher.

7:00 – 7:30 – Clean up

Note information tables set up at the BBQ:

Please note we will plan to have three tables set up at BBQ for Membership, Bazaar and the Thrift Store. This will give you a chance to pay for a membership in the TCS society (which allows you to vote at membership meetings etc.) and talk with the folks leading the Bazaar and Thrift shop to sign up or help with those two wonderful organizations.

SEPTEMBER

19 Soccer Practice

20 Picture Day

21 Back to School BBQ & Book Fair

Soccer Practice

22 Full Chapel

TCS Terry Fox Run

26 Soccer Practice

28 Soccer Practice

29 Grade 5 to Saint Marie among the Hurons

OCTOBER

3 Soccer Practice

5 Soccer Tournament

6 Full Chapel—Grade 5

9 Thanksgiving Day—NO SCHOOL

20 Split Chapel

26 Pizza Day & Progress Reports go home

26&27 PD Day (Teachers Convention)—NO SCHOOL

TCS Always Learning from Others...Christian School Principal's visiting Finland next week to Learn and Grow Professionally! — From Mr. Berg, TCS, Principal

Timothy Christian School and the OCSAA (Ontario Christian School Administrators Association) have a lot in common – they both love learning from other schools what leading edge programs can look like.

The OCSAA - that most Christian school principals are members of, has been doing some fundraising for a special professional development opportunities over the past few years. Most of the donations come from wealthy Christian donors who are long term supporters of Christian education but their own members have also made donations over the years to support this project.

The 50 – 80 thousand raised recently will go towards covering the majority of the cost of sending 35 Christian school leaders (from Christian schools across Ontario) to Finland for a week to learn from the schools there.

I was very blessed to be included in this grant last Spring and the TCS board approved this professional development for next week. The grant covers the majority of the cost of this trip with only a small amount covered by TCS. So, due to this grant, the 35 Christian school leaders who applied and were approved for the grant, will be spending next week in Finland visiting and learning from several schools about why their educational system has been so successful over the years. The educational/professional development tour will include visiting/touring a different schools in Helsinki every day from Monday to Thursday and workshops on the Thursday and Friday gleaning what works in education in Finland.

It is one of those very rare learning opportunities / professional development that only came along due to the fundraising through the principal organization.

I very much look forward to growing and learning and gleaning best practices for TCS throughout next week. Mrs. Goodnough, our vice principal, will be in charge for the week that I am away.

When you have a chance to review of school vision statement at the front of the school when you walk in, you will see meaningful, stretching professional development connects very well with our TCS vision statement which pushes us to be 'dynamic, vibrant and leading edge' providing really good education that lands on a clear Christian worldview. It is very exciting to live this vision out practically by learning from the success Finland is experiencing.



#aliveinCHRIST

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do **ALL** in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Col 3:17

Homework Highlights

Tests and Major Assignments: Grades 3-8

All tests, major quizzes and major assignments will be published in the weekly school newsletter under the grades 3, 4 & 5 homework section by the classroom teacher **five school days** prior to the due date and on Schoology for grades 6-8.

Review Sheets/Study Sheets:

All grade 3 – 8 teachers will give out a review sheet/ study sheet summarizing the key areas of a test a minimum of **three days** before the test date. These will be generated by the teacher on the content being covered.

Review sheets/study sheets will be taken up in class by the teacher a minimum of **two days** before the test so the students go home with the proper information.

Review sheets/study sheets will have a direct connection to what is being tested. More may be expected on a study sheet but a test will not have items that are not on a review/study sheet.

For Grade 6—8 Parents: All assignments, tests and homework related items will now be found on **Schoology (an online homework program)**. The grades 6-8 teachers will be sending information with their students to inform parents how this will work for the upcoming year and how parents can check in.

Grade 3

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Thurs. Sept. 21 | MW—Col 3:17 (oral recitation) |
| Fri. Sept. 22 | Spelling Test—Unit 2 |
| Thurs. Sept. 28 | French Quiz |
| Fri. Sept. 29 | Swimming Lessons start |

Grade 3/4

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|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wed. Sept 20 | No Memory Work |
| Fri. Sept 22 | Spelling Test—Unit 2 |
| Wed. Sept 27 | MW—John 2:32-33 (written, fill in the blank) |
| Fri. Sept. 29 | Spelling Test—Unit 3 First day of swimming... Bring a swimsuit and towel |

Grade 4

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|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wed. Sept 20 | No Memory Work |
| Fri. Sept 22 | Spelling Test—Unit 2 |
| Wed. Sept 27 | MW—Hebrews 11:3 |
| Fri. Sept. 29 | Spelling Test—Unit 3 First day of swimming... Bring a swimsuit and towel |

Grade 5

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|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Wed. Sept. 20 | MW Col 3:17 (oral recitation) Spelling Test—Unit 2 |
| Tues. Sept. 26 | Math Test—Unit 1 |
| Thurs. Sept. 28 | French Quiz |
| Fri. Sept. 29 | Saint Marie among the Hurons |

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES

We are excited for a new school year filled with learning, fun and service within the TCS Community.

At TCS we have a board mandated program called PITCH which requires all families to “pitch in” by committing to 25 hours of volunteer service each school year. Thank you to those families who have submitted their completed PITCH forms for this school year. A reminder to those families who still need to fill a form out to please send that into the office. Also, please do start reporting any hours to the PITCH Committee as soon as you complete them; that way we all stay on track for keeping record of hours completed. Each hour must be recorded including task and date completed. (This is to abide by guidelines set out for charities/nonprofits)

New families: If you have any questions you will be learning more about the PITCH Program on Sept. 14 at the New Parent Orientation, and if you have not filled in a form yet, we will have them there for you. Thank you to all our TCS Families for their volunteer hours which help make Timothy the success that it is for our students.

Terry Fox Run—Friday, September 22

Miss Duff is looking for a few volunteers to help out with the Terry Fox run this year. Please email tcsge@timothychristianschool.ca if you are able to lend a hand while the students are running the track.

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.

Christmas Bazaar Vendors

Bazaar Vendor Tables are going quickly! If you are interested in being a vendor at this year's bazaar, please send in forms as soon as possible, as tables do fill up very quickly! Forms are available from the office, or send an email to bazaar@timothychristianschool.ca to be added to the email distribution list.

Nut Free Lunches

Just a reminder that we have some nut and seed allergies in the school and we try to be a nut free environment. Please make sure students lunches do NOT contain any nuts!

It's Terry Fox Time!

This coming **Friday, September 22**, TCS will be holding our annual Terry Fox Run. We'll be meeting in the gym right after lunch recess for a pep talk, then its out to our new track to run! Terry's dream was that if every Candian could donate just \$1, then the doctors would have lots of money to do their research. So we've asked the children to bring in a loonie or toonie to their class to help us fundraise for cancer research. The class that raises the largest dollar amount will get to choose a piece of outdoor equipment to use during recess times!

*** Don't forget to wear **red & white** to show your Canadian pride on Friday!



We're "ALL IN" for the TCS Book Fair!

The library is filled with lots of team spirit as we prep for a new year of reading fun! We're kicking off the year with an Olympic twist and have a **BOOK FAIR** planned to run for Thursday night (Sept. 21) during the BBQ and Friday morning (Sept. 22).

This year we are welcoming a new company called, "**Living Books**", instead of the usual Scholastic Book Fair with an aim to better support our theme of "All In #aliveinCHRIST". This company will be providing a wide range of faith based products for us to purchase. Sales from the Book Fair will also help the library to purchase many of the offered books for our own shelves!

So come and join us at this year's **OLYMPIC BOOK FAIR...**



Soccer—Grades 6-8

Soccer practices will be Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 3:35-5:00pm. Cleats and shin guards are required. The tournament will be on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at the Barrie Community Sports Complex on Nursery Road in Midhurst.

2017/2018 Yearbook

This year's price: \$17.00, hardcover, more pages, more fun!

ADVERTISING: Did you enjoy last year's yearbook? Come, be a part of it again and purchase advertisement space in this year's yearbook or consider sponsoring a page from your family by purchasing a "tag line twenty" see the attached information for details and pricing.

PRE PURCHASE: This Wednesday is picture day and new this year, if you order your Lifetouch portrait package online you will also be able to prepay for your yearbook as well as personalize your child's yearbook with their name on it. Yearbooks will also formally go on sale later in the school year, but why wait?

NEEDED: Some of the first pages in this year's yearbook will be "May-June Recap Pages" SO, please send Mrs. Covert your May/June 2017 pictures including: SK Grad, class trips (Medieval Times, Ottawa, Aquarium, Science Centre), Track and Field, Fun Day and Gr. 8 Graduation...we will reflect, before we spring ahead into this year. Please also send "First Day Photos" for this current school year.

Current Grade Eights: Start submitting your baby photos to Mrs. Covert now.

Milk Order Forms

Forms are attached to this newsletter. **These forms are DUE THIS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**, so make sure to get them into the office as soon as possible! Proceeds from this fundraiser go the Grade 7 class.

Picture Day

Picture Day! Wednesday, Sept 20

This Wednesday is picture day! Don't forget to wear your best smile :)

****BIG NEWS - Update from Development & Marketing!!**

TCS MEMBERSHIP:

There will be Membership News coming out soon. This permits non-parents & the broader community a glimpse into the life of TCS through receiving our newsletters, InTouch flyers & Members are invited to the Society meetings with the rights to vote. Policies & adjustments are being finalized and letters will be sent out into our community within the next few weeks. Membership Application Forms will be available at the Family BBQ. If your extended family or your friends are interested in being connected to TCS in this way, please feel free to pick up a form and pass it along to them!

TCS ANNUAL DRIVE

September marks the beginning of new school year as well as the kick off for our Annual Drive. This drive provides funding for needs over and above tuition in the area of our operating costs. Our Annual Drive goal is \$125,000.

NEW LOGO & BRANDING at TCS:

Much work, creativity & collaboration has been happening over the course of the summer in the area of Marketing & new Logo Development for TCS. Last year, the Board approved the initiative of a new logo design & rebranding to live up to our theme of "dynamic & vibrant learning environment". With the new website in place, this was the next step. It has been a few years since there has been the option to purchase apparel & merchandise. We're happy to say that option will resurface this year, more details to come....

We are thrilled to announce that a logo design has been chosen out of the 25+ designs that had been created, tweaked & adjusted over the past 2 1/2 months. The creative direction of this logo was to be clean, simple & have longevity as we travel into the future. It has been designed to have many uses with area of social media presence, signage, apparel, merchandise, display banners, stationary & swag.

Same great school, same great community with a new look.

Join us at our Family BBQ to catch a glimpse of the new logo!!

Order forms for apparel & merchandise to come shortly...

Police Checks

A reminder to parents—if ever you would like to help in the school at all during the year, or drive for class trips, you are required to have an updated police check on file with the school (within the past 3 years). If you require a police check form Miss Winger can send you a letter home from the TCS office.

Attachments to be Returned...

- Internet Use Form (signed and returned)
- Code of Conduct (signed and returned)
- Media Consent Forms (**NEW STUDENTS ONLY**)
- PITCh Form (available on TCS website under "Admissions")
- Milk Order Form—**Due Wed. Sept 21**

**Join us TONIGHT
6 pm - 9 pm
Sort Night**

**We are overloaded with
Donations!**

Re-Source Thrift Shop

We have had an overabundance of donations in the last week... and we need help!

Attention volunteers and potential volunteers...

Mark Monday October 2 on your calendars. Members of the board will be on hand all day as we get al of the Christmas items out of storage and on the floor. It is a large task and a great opportunity to learn about many of the tasks of the store. 9am—9am join us for a morning, afternoon or evening. For an hour or six! Pizza will be served for lunch and dinner.

WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF HELP on Wednesday!!!

We are super short staffed. Email
resource.barrie@outlook.com

**Volunteer Orientation
And
Christmas Inventory
Changeover!**

**Monday, Oct 2
9 am - 9 pm
Pizza served for lunch
And dinner!**

Milk Program

Grade 7 Fundraiser

From September 27 to December 21 2017.

Step 1: Fill in each student's name, grade and teacher.

Step 2: Write 'W' for White Milk or 'C' for Chocolate Milk under each day of the week.

Step 3: Tally Milk per day then calculate Subtotals and Grand total.

Step 4: Attach payment to this form and return by **Wednesday September 20th**



SAMPLE:

| Name | Gr | Teacher | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri |
|----------------------------|----|---------------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|
| 1. Love Milk | 1 | Mr. Great | W | C | C | C | W |
| 2. Me Too | 4 | Ms. Wonderful | W | C | C | C | W |
| Milk per day | | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Number of days in the term | | | X11 | X12 | X13 | X12 | X10 |
| Subtotal | | | 22 | 24 | 26 | 24 | 20 |
| x \$0.75/carton | | | \$16.50 | \$18.00 | \$19.50 | \$18.00 | \$15.00 |
| | | | | | | Grand Total | \$87.00 |

Fill Out and Return with Payment:

| Name | Gr | Teacher | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri |
|----------------------------|----|---------|-----|------|-----|-------------|-----|
| 1. | | | | | | | |
| 2. | | | | | | | |
| 3. | | | | | | | |
| 4. | | | | | | | |
| Milk per day | | | | | | | |
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| Subtotal | | | | | | | |
| x \$0.75/carton | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Grand Total | |

Note: Please make cheques payable to TCS.
Students attending the soccer tournament Oct 5 will have their milk delivered the following day.

Thank you for your support! GRADE 7s



SEE BEFORE YOU BUY!



PICTURE DAY IS:

**Timothy Christian Elementary
School**
Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Mark your calendar!

View proofs, select background options,
and order after Picture Day

**Optional: If you have special notes for the photographer
fill out form & return on Picture Day.**

Notes to the Photographer (such as any diet or fun facts to get a great smile):

Student's Name:

Teacher:

Grade:



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page to find great tips & ideas
to get ready for this year's
school picture.

*All students will be photographed. Please notify your child's
teacher if you do not want an individual portrait taken of your
child. Your child may be included in a group portrait requested
by the teacher.*

**Questions?
1-866-457-8212**

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Size: 4.275" x 5"

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Size: 3.685" x 2.5"

Price: \$50.00

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Size: 3.5" x 2"

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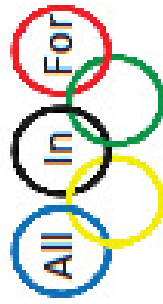
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"Tagline Twenty" Price: \$20.00

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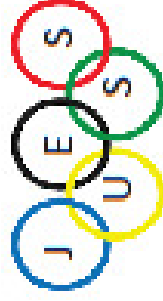
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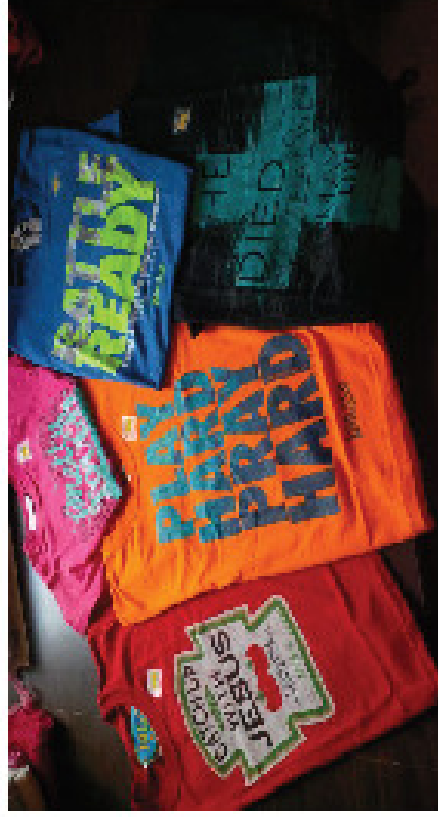
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