

From the Principal...

No School this Thursday & Friday as TCS staff take time for Professional Development

A reminder from the year at a glance that was published in August: there will be no school on Thursday and Friday as TCS staff are involved in the Christian School Teachers' Convention on the Thursday and have an in-school PD day on the Friday.

• **This Thursday, October 25 - Christian School Teacher Convention at Redeemer University College**

- ◊ The theme of the Christian School convention this Thursday is "Deeper in and Further Out" and the keynote speakers are Curt Thompson and Jim McKenzie. They will be speaking on transformation and Christian schools in the future. In addition to the keynotes, there will be many break-out workshops that deal with a variety of topics that teachers deal with on a regular bases. The TCS staff is very much looking forward to learning and growing with over 700 other Christian School educators across Ontario.

• **This Friday, October 26 - TCS staff have an in-house PD day to work on Curriculum**

- ◊ The board has given TCS staff permission to work on curriculum at the school all day this Friday instead of attending the Friday morning of the convention. Since the Friday part of the convention is only in the morning, often the TCS staff spend more time on the road travelling back and forth to Redeemer University College in Hamilton than actually in workshops. By taking the full day this Friday at TCS, we get a chance to focus on TCS curriculum, talk through the recent MAP testing, and review and update curriculum that includes reviewing the new Writing Program that is now being implemented in grades JK - 8.

Progress Reports coming home on Wednesday, November 7 with students at the end of the day

A reminder, TCS parents, that each student will be coming home with a mid-term progress report on November 7th. Please take the time to review these with your students and use them as part of your talk with the teacher during interview time on November 14 or 16.

These progress reports are 'big picture'. They are a checklist form and are intended to tag areas that should be processed at the upcoming conferences. Details can be processed with the teacher at the parent/teacher conferences that are only a few weeks away.

New Format for November Parent/Teacher Conferences on November 14 or 16

There will be a new format for parent/teacher conferences this November. As stated in the year at a glance calendar in August, TCS parents will now have two options to sign up online next week to meet with your child's teacher:

1. **Wednesday, November 14** between 4:00-8:45pm

2. **Friday, November 16** between 9:00am and 12:00pm.

⇒ There is **no school on November 16** due to interviews in the morning and set-up for the Bazaar which is on Saturday, November 17. There has always been a PD day on the Friday before the Bazaar to allow TCS volunteers to set up for this major school fundraiser)

For some of the larger classes, we encourage parents to make good use of the new Friday morning option for parent/teacher conferences to take some of the pressure off of the Wednesday after school/evening which will fill up very fast. Online sign-up for conferences will start next week.

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"Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." - 1 John 3:18

From the Office...

"BE LIKE A TREE" DAY!

Student Council would like to invite everyone to help us celebrate the Fall season with our first event of the year—*Be Like a Tree Day*—on Wednesday, October 24! Yes, just like the old song we loved to sing, we're asking you to dress up like your favourite kind of tree: pine, maple, oak, weeping willow, palm, Douglas 'fur', dogwood, apple, orange, peach, pear, plum, the options are endless! So BRANCH out and try something new...cause it's going to be UNBE-LEAF-ABLE FUN!



TCS MEMBERSHIP FORMS & PAYMENT DUE

Next week is the deadline to update your Membership Status. If you have yet to complete your form and submit payment, this is your chance. If you would like to be a member of the TCS Society, please provide the form and payment to the office so we can update your status before the October 31st deadline. Membership privileges are as follows:

- you will have voting rights during our Fall and Spring society meetings
- you are able to chair a committee within the school society & support events and functions
- you have access to important school information, policies and forms. (*You will be required to request this information from the main office.)
- you are showing a sign of commitment and support of the TCS environment

If you have any questions at all, please contact the school.

Don't Miss the

DEADLINE!

OCTOBER

- 22 Picture Retake Day
- 24 'Be Like A Tree' Day!
Pizza Day
- 25 **Christian Teachers' Convention (No School)**
- 26 **TCS Curriculum Review Day (No School)**
- 29 Dutch Store Orders Due
- JK/SK Field Trip to Hewitt's Fun Farm
- 30 Volleyball Practice (3:30-5pm)
- 31 Membership Forms Due

NOVEMBER

- 1 Volleyball Practice (3:30-5pm)
- 2 Pizza Day
- 6 Unity Day for Gr. 7/8 (10am-2pm)
Volleyball Practice (3:30-5pm)
- 7 Progress Reports go home
- 8 Volleyball Practice (3:30-5pm)
- 9 Remembrance Day Chapel (Gr. 6)
Gr. 7—Health Unit Vaccinations
Pizza Day

Homework Highlights

Grade 4

- Fri., Oct. 19 - Spelling Test: Unit 5
- Wed., Oct. 24 - Bible Test: Judges
- Tues., Oct. 30 - Math Test: Addition & Subtraction
- Wed., Oct. 31 - MW: Psalm 135: 15, 18 (written)
- Fri., Nov. 2 - Spelling Test: Unit 7 (Unit 6 was our review last week)

Grade 4/5

- Tues., Oct. 23—No Spelling Test this week
- Wed., Oct. 24—Reading Around God's World: FIRST Destination—Australia!
- Thurs., Oct. 25 & Fri., Oct. 26—NO SCHOOL—Students can work on First Nations item for display

The students have been researching a First Nations in Social Studies in small groups. They have been assigned a topic: homes, food, clothing and tools/transportation. All the research has been completed at school. We will print coloured pictures in the lab on Monday and Wednesday. One part of the project is to make an item that relates to their topic. They will need to do this at home and **bring it to school on Mon., Oct. 29th.**

- Tues., Oct. 30—Spelling Test Unit 7
- Fri., Nov. 2—MW: Jeremiah 31:33 (fill in the blanks)
- Thurs., Nov. 8—First Nations Test
- Fri., Nov. 9—Scholastic Book Order Due
- Thurs., Nov. 15—Grade 5 Math Test on Unit 2: Whole Numbers
MW: Jeremiah 31:33-34 (fill in the blanks)

Grade 5

No memory work to be completed in this short week.
Mon., Oct. 22 - Spelling Test: Review of Lesson 1-5 Words

- Mon-Wed Oct. 22-24—Students will work on in-class portion of Native Project
- Mon., Oct. 29—Spelling Test: Unit 7
- Wed., Oct. 31—Native model home project due—assignment sheet to come home Oct. 22nd.

Cross Country

Congratulations to all cross country team members! First place team finishers were the Midget boys team (Gr. 1-3), and Junior boys & girls teams (Gr. 4-6). We also had quite a few individual winners - Elijah Kenney (1st), Ari Weening (2nd), Raina Weening (1st), Jillian Kapteyn (1st), Rebecca Hellinga (2nd), Owen Tankard (2nd), Hannah Riewe (2nd). I am very proud of the enthusiasm & dedication that all cross country team members displayed last week. Congratulations on a great showing.

Please remember return your shirt & shorts this week!

From the Community...

Unity Day in Barrie

Calling all parents of Grade 7 and 8 students! Are you wondering about educational options for your child when they enter high school? Have you considered your child receiving the Ontario Secondary School Diploma while receiving a Christian education? Unity Day in Barrie is the perfect opportunity for your child to check out Unity Christian High School. On Tuesday, November 6, from 10:00am-2:00pm students in grades 7 and 8 are invited to the annual open house at the school (25 Burton Avenue). Students will visit classrooms, meet teachers, and be involved in interactive activities. There will be time for games, listening to music, and hearing our students talk about their experiences and opportunities in extra-curricular events. Lunch and snacks are provided. TCS will be sending our Grade 7 & 8s.

Unity Christian High School Pancake Breakfast

Pancakes, Pancakes, Pancakes! The 14th Annual Pancake Breakfast of Unity Christian High School will be offered on Saturday, November 10, 2018 in the Timothy Christian School gym. There will be pancakes, sausages, fruit, juice, great food, and great company! Proceeds will go to student activities. It all starts at 8:00am and last pancakes are served at 11am. We hope to see you there!

TCS Christmas Bazaar

It's that time of year again, the Timothy Christmas Bazaar and Auction is around the corner and we need your help! Please consider donating to the live or silent auction. What new item or unique experiences can you donate? Experiences often include: cottages, fishing trips, tickets sporting events and excursions. Please consider what opportunities you have to make an impact at TCS and let us know how you can help make a difference. Please send your donations in to Miss Van Loenen at the TCS office.

Dutch Store Orders

The Dutch Store Order form is now available! Orders are due by Monday, October 29 to the TCS Office or Melanee Weening **OR NEW THIS YEAR:** email your order to dutchstoreorders@gmail.com (please send payment to TCS Office).



Unity Annual Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by UNITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL



Saturday, November 10, 2018

Breakfast is served at Timothy Christian School in the gym
(750 Essa Road, just south of Mapleview)

There will be pancakes, sausages, fruit, juice; great food, great company!
Free-will donations accepted, with proceeds going to STUDENT ACTIVITIES.
Come on down! Breakfast is served 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



Unity Christian High School

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FACE PAINTING ANYONE??

Do you know of someone that would be willing to do face painting at the school Bazaar on Nov. 17? I would really love to offer FACE PAINTING at the Bazaar this year in the Games Hall area. This would also be great for High school students that would like to earn some of their required volunteer hours (we can give them a letter for their requirements). Please do let me know, I will happily follow up and get in contact with any of your suggestions.

Jessica VanLoenen—ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca or 705-627-1000

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES

TCS Christmas Bazaar—November 17

We are looking for people interested in joining the Bazaar committee to help coordinate the volunteers, vendors, auction items and general set up. If you are interested in joining our team and participating in this awesome event please contact tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca. Thank you!

Bazaar Children's Game Hall Area

I am in need of four adult volunteers. Two to help run the Prize table from 9 -11:30am. Two adults to help during the movie time from 11:45 - 1:00pm. If you have children that are in grades 6-12 that can help with any of the games or movie supervision time as well that would be so greatly appreciated!

We would also love to have donations of prizes... any unopened/unused toys, books, games, candy that you have as "extras" laying around the house, bring them in to the school office and we will gladly use them as prizes at the Bazaar for the Children's Games. Also Halloween candy is on sale and any donations you could bring us would be helpful! Thank you!

Contact: Jessica VanLoenen ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca, 705-627-1000

Face Painting at the Bazaar

Please read the message from Jessica VanLoenen on the previous page about volunteering for face painting at this year's Christmas Bazaar on November 17!



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