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# TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Christian School Teacher's Convention this Thursday and Friday—NO SCHOOL

Wednesday after school our TCS staff will drive down to Redeemer College for our annual Christian School Teachers' Convention. It is always an exciting two days of learning, taking in workshops and sharing best practices with the other 700 or so Christian educators in Ontario.

The theme of the convention this year is "**Leading with Love**" and will host keynote speakers Steven and Joanna Levy and James Smith. Steven and Joanna are both educational leaders from the Massachusetts area and James Smith is professor of philosophy at Calvin College.

**A reminder to parents there is no school on the Thursday and Friday as teachers attend this yearly Christian Teacher Convention.**

## Progress Reports to TCS Parents This Wednesday

Parents please be on the lookout for the first term progress reports for all TCS students that will be going home with your child this Wednesday, October 26 at the end of the school day.

A reminder that we moved to a two report card term this year at TCS with full report cards going home on February 8 and June 23.

We added a progress report on October 26 as a mid term early glance of areas of strength and areas that require support and improvement. Parent/teacher interviews are now being scheduled for November 3 and November 8 as a follow up to the progress reports that go home this Wednesday.

## Parent-Teacher Conferences—November 3 & 8

Parent-Teacher Night is slotted for November 3 and 8 from 4-8:45pm. Please call or email Robin in the office with what date and time preference you would like and I will try to plug you in at that time!

## Bazaar—Dutch Store Orders: Cheese, Croquettes...etc.

Order forms are on the TCS website under "Resources". Forms are **due by November 4th**.

## Deep Sea Day—THIS WEDNESDAY!

Our first Student Council event is coming up on Wednesday, October 26. Dive deep in school spirit by dressing up as your favourite underwater "creature" such as a diver, an octopus, a shark, jellyfish, seahorse or even a surfer! Come celebrate our new school theme and help us have a WHALE of a good time!!



## Looking for a Leader (or a small team of leaders) to Run the TCS Bazaar NEXT Year

The board and administration have been working hard calling and asking TCS parents if anyone would be interested in being part of a team to replace Julie Eisses leading the TCS bazaar.

We have not yet found someone and continue to call and ask. If you know of someone who might be interested please email the school office. We would be happy to follow up that email with a discussion.

## Auction Items for the Bazaar

Every year we ask families to help with our huge bazaar fundraiser! This fundraiser raises many thousands of dollars to help keep your tuition down! We ask families to contribute their time and resources where possible to the bazaar fundraising efforts! If you have any new items you would like to donate to the live or silent auctions, please drop them at the school before November 19th! Thank you!

### OCTOBER

- 24 Hotdog Day & JK/SK to Hewitt's Farm
- 25 Grade 5 to Sainte Marie Among the Hurons
- 26 **Deep Sea Day**, Pizza Day & Progress Reports go home
- 27&28 PD Day (Teachers Convention)—NO SCHOOL**
- 31 Hotdog Day

### NOVEMBER

- 1 Unity Day for Grades 7&8
- 3 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 4 Pizza Day & **Dutch Store Orders due**
- 7 Hotdog Day
- 8 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 11 Full Chapel & Pizza Day
- 14 Hotdog Day
- 16 Pizza Day



## Diving Deeper by Faith

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

### Thanks for your Patience...Shortage of Bus Drivers this Year

Thank you, parents, for your patience over these past few months as many of the bus companies have struggled with a severe shortage of bus drivers. Things are settling down a bit now but most bus companies were struggling to just have a driver on a bus route and have not been able to even think of consistency of drivers on routes.

TCS has been working with Sinton and we have passed on some of the frustration from parents, but there has not been much they can do as the shortage has been province wide.

Not only the company that we have a contract with (Sinton) but all the bus companies across the GTA have experienced a significant shortage of drivers. This is the reason some of the TCS routes have had 3 or

more drivers over the past 8 weeks. Sinton is doing their very best to settle things down and you should see some of our regular drivers back in the next few weeks.

### **Who to call for what re: bus issues?**

A reminder that anything to do with the driver of the buses (safety, conduct etc.) please call Sinton direct as we have a contract with the company and the drivers work for Sinton not TCS. The bus company holds their drivers accountable and is in charge of safety issues (lights on, proper stops etc.).

Regarding student conduct among students, please email or call Mr. Berg direct (rberg@timothychristianschool.ca). The bus driver is in charge of student management on each bus but the TCS administration works with the student monitors/patrollers and does the follow through regarding student behaviour on the buses and holds students accountable.

### **Still Looking for a Red Steel Hockey net...any out there?**

Before we purchase one more hockey net from Costco, just wondering if our TCS community would have one that no longer gets used around the house that could be donated?:

**A large steel (with a net) red hockey net** - the kind you buy at Costco for our outside hockey games for our senior classes. We have one being donated to TCS next week and are looking for a second one. If your children have outgrown one we would be interested in it (only the steel red Costco kind to match the one we are getting).

### **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](mailto:isabel.back@gmail.com) and we will add your request to our prayer list.

### **Please Pass on to Church Leaders: Open Dates for Rentals 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.**

## **TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT OUR ANNUAL

# *Christmas*

# *BAZAAR*

## *Saturday, November 19th*

## *9am - 2pm*

**Silent & Live Auction, Dutch Store,  
Craft Vendors, Baked Goods, Jewelry,  
Christmas Floral Decor, Fresh Vegetable Stand**

*Enjoy a hot lunch & purchase great gifts too*



**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT**

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## PITCH OPPORTUNITIES

**BAZAAR LEADER NEEDED** Looking for someone to take over for Julie Eisses next year (and shadow her this year). Contact Mr. Berg if you are interested!

**CHRISTMAS GARDEN** Do you have a flare for creativity? The Christmas Garden Gals are looking for volunteers to work with Christmas greens! No experience needed. We will teach you how to make the beautiful garden arrangements. This is a great opportunity for 2-4 ladies ~ the more the merrier! An excuse to get together, enjoy some good conversation, get a little sparkle on, let the creativity flow AND make a great contribution to the annual bazaar. If you are interested in exploring this opportunity **please contact Lisa Miller or the school as soon as possible.** We will teach you everything you need to know! Salary is low but fun is high!! We promise you will get in your PITCH hours. Get in touch with us today!! We begin building the week of the bazaar...Don't miss out!!

**CAFETERIA** Natalie Riewe: 705-424-9575 or [riewe@rogers.com](mailto:riewe@rogers.com) is in need of 7-8 more people to help serve food at the buffet table, sell meal tickets, bus and clean tables. Shifts of 9-1, 10-2 or 9-3 are available. If you cannot help during the day, make a donation of homemade pies, soup, chili, cans of pop or bottles of water!

**AUCTION SETUP** Julie Eisses is looking for volunteers to help setup the auction items on Fri. Nov. 18, and help with the auction on Sat. Nov. 19. If you are available, **please contact Julie at 705-739-3550.**

**CHILDREN'S GAMES** We are looking for small prizes and candy to give out. We still need 2 adult volunteers to help with the selling of game tickets from 9-11:30am and 2 adults for child supervision during the movie from 11:30-1:00. Please send any donations to the office and email if you are able to volunteer. We will also need students to help with running games from 9-11:30 and an experienced face painter!

**BAKERY** Drop your home baked goods off on Thursday, November 17th or the morning of Friday, November 18th. They can be left in the gym kitchen, clearly marked for "bazaar bake sale". Butter tarts, iced loaves, pies, squares and boterkoek are especially big hits. Remember to claim your pitch hours for baking!

Volunteers are needed to sell baking at the bazaar on Saturday: 8:30-10:30 (2 people), 10:30-12:30 (2 people), 12:30-2:00 (1 person). Please contact **Charleen.young@hotmail.com**

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.



## NOVEMBER AT RE-SOURCE THRIFT SHOP BARRIE SOUTH

1. It is our 1st Year Anniversary!
2. Two Sort Nights

-Thursday Nov 10 - 5 pm -9 pm  
- Monday Nov 21 - 5 pm - 9 pm

**AND...**many opportunities to use your talents to serve!

**Do you have 2-4 hours to commit to the Thrift Shop?**

Committing 2-4 hours each month goes a long way into making the Thrift Shop Successful!

Use your talents, share your passion, and have fun doing it...all while blessing the school, the Thrift Shop and the community!

Sort nights aren't always about just sorting clothes...train on cash, stock shelves, clean the store, fellowship and have LOTS of laughs.

Other ways to serve - Sort and price jewelry from the comfort of your own home, be part of the silent auction team, help with pick up and deliveries....

**Every little bit helps, there is a place for everyone!**

# Homework Highlights

## Grade 4

Wed. Oct. 26 No Spelling Test (short week)  
Memory Work: Ps. 135: 13,14 (written)  
Wed. Nov. 2 Math Test: Addition/Subtraction  
Thu. Nov. 3 Literature Circles: Week One Role due  
(Book Talk day)  
Fri. Nov. 4 Spelling Test: Unit 7  
Fri. Nov. 11 Spelling Test: Unit 8

## Grade 5

In Math we are learning double digit multiplying and appreciate your help in reinforcing this concept. It is difficult for many students to grasp the multiple steps and your help at home is very helpful. We will be moving into dividing next, so mastering multiplication facts is very beneficial for success in this concept.

We are also working on a wreath for the Remembrance Day chapel. If you have any extra egg cartons (the cardboard type), please send them with your son/daughter. Thanks!

Reviews for tests need to be completed in class and will be sent home once they are completed.

Tue. Oct. 25 Sainte Marie among the Hurons trip  
Wed. Oct. 26 Reading Around God's World slip  
Tue. Nov. 1 Classroom Newsletter to go home  
Math Quiz—Multiplication  
Wed. Nov. 2 Memory Work - Jeremiah 17:7 & 8  
(orally)  
Fri. Nov. 4 Math Quiz - Dividing  
Tue. Nov. 8 Math Test - Unit 2  
Thu. Nov. 10 Social Studies Test "From Far and Wide"  
Unit  
Tue. Nov. 15 Bible Test - Unit 2

**Grades 6-8 Homework info is available on Schoology.**

## Grade 8 Meat Fundraiser

Coming this week—grade 8 will be selling "North Country Meat (formerly called MacGregor Meat) starting this week. Once information is available, an email will go home with information. Please contact a grade 8 student if you wish to purchase meat. Orders are due November 23 and delivery happens December 2.

## Cross Country

Last week there was a mistake in the Cross Country section...here is the placements of everyone who went to Cross country. Great job everyone!

**Primary Girls:** Caitlin Tjeerdsma (4), Raina Weening (7), Sophia Back (8), Maile Arnott (10), Maija Karjalainen (11), Cecelia Agostino (12), Emma Karjalainen (13)

**Primary Boys:** Isaac Kenney (1), Eliot Weening (2), Owen Tankard (3), Ethan VanLoenen (4), Nicholas Steeves (5), Nathan Fairchild (11), Ari Weening (12)

**Junior Girls:** Mya Fairchild (2), Jillian Kapteyn (3), Hannah Riewe (5), Lilly Villeneuve (8), Katy Vanderboon (9), Yuah VanZyl (12), Avery Pennell (14)

**Junior Boys:** Owen Kenney (3), Emerson Weening (5), Chase Pennell (8), Matthew Tjeerdsma (9), Cooper Green (13), Martin Kloosterman (14), Liam Hollander (15)

**Senior Girls:** Elissa Frielink (1), Bethany Nelson (2), Hailey Villeneuve (3), Aliyah Uyenka (11)

**Senior Boys:** Jeremy Dykstra (5), Marlon Gordon-Tennant (8)

## Dundas Cross Country

The Cross Country team had a great time on Friday at the Dundas race. There were over 400 students racing in 4 divisions from all over Southern Ontario. The conditions were less than ideal; however, Timothy athletes showed much grit and determination as they ran through the rain and mud against some of the best runners in Southern Ontario! All students finished their races and left it all on the course. Well done Cross Country Team, you represented TCS well!

Special mention to the Grade 8 students who ran their last Cross Country race with TCS—Elissa Frielink, Bethany Nelson, Aliyah Uyenka, Marlon Gordon-Tennant, and Jeremy Dykstra!

## Cross Country Photos

Please forward cross country event pictures to Mrs. Covert at [tcovert@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:tcovert@timothychristianschool.ca) in order for them to be included in this years yearbook!

## Inspire Bursary Campaign Now Launched - TCS is Raising \$250,000 to help Future Families

For those who missed the TCS BBQ, Rudy Westerneng, a member of the campaign team, launched this campaign which is about the importance of raising these funds to help support families and further stabilize our school's finances. As a school we realize there are families who do require help at times and this bursary would be help in that very important journey. There is a website made for this campaign at [www.inspiretimothy.ca](http://www.inspiretimothy.ca). Please pass on the word and stay tuned - we want to keep Christian elementary school accessible to families.

### **New Yearbook Format: Sponsors/Advertisers needed**

We are excited about the new format for the TCS Yearbook. This year we will be working closely with Lifetouch Photography, the company that takes the student pictures. A team of students along with Mrs. Covert will work with a yearbook consultant who will guide them through a computer design program to publish this year's memories.

If you or your business would like to sponsor a page in the yearbook or place a sponsorship advertisement, please contact Mrs. Covert or Mrs. Roberts—various rates are available. This is an exciting opportunity!

Sponsorships and advertising are available now and will reduce the final overall cost.

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**Calling All Parents of Grade 7 and 8 Students!** Are you wondering about educational options for your child when they enter high school? **UNITY DAY IN BARRIE** is the perfect opportunity for your child to check out Unity Christian High School. On **Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., students in grades 7 and 8 are invited to the annual open house at the school (25 Burton Ave., Barrie). 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. We look forward to seeing your children!

### **PANCAKES! PANCAKES! PANCAKES!: The 12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST of UNITY CHRISTIAN HIGH**

**SCHOOL** will be offered on Saturday morning, **November 12, 2016** in the Timothy Christian School gym (750 Essa Road). There will be pancakes, sausages, fruit, juice; great food, great company! Proceeds will go to STUDENT ACTIVITIES. Come on down! It all starts at 8:00 a.m. Last pancakes are served at 11 a.m.

### **Re-Source THRIFT SHOP**

The next Sorting Party is Monday, October 24 from 5-9pm. Come help sort the hundreds of donations we've received!

Did you spend your childhood playing with a plastic cash register and Monopoly Money? Have you always dreamed of using a REAL cash register? THIS IS YOUR BIG CHANCE! On Monday, Oct. 24 from 6-7pm the re-Source THRIFT SHOP is training cashiers!! Learn how to use the cash system so you can volunteer in the future!