

October 9, 2018

From the Principal...

A Faithful Presence

The above phrase was the theme for the Canada Christian Schools conference in Ottawa which took place on September 26 - 28. There were close to 250 Christian school leaders from across Canada as part of this event which included 18 international delegates from other countries.

Diversity:

One area that was celebrated at this conference was the wonderful diversity that was represented throughout the different Christian schools. I sat in a small group with a principal from Brazil and we heard about the unique needs and challenges from that leader and lifted each other up in prayer. God's presence through Christian schools is now across countries, denominations, and ethnicities and that is so very exciting! We are growing and changing and truly representing the Body of Christ.

Reconciliation:

Through our Father's faithful presence comes the call to forgive one another and show deep love to one another. The theme of living our faith through forgiveness was a deep part of this conference as well.

A call to Action:

One of our keynote speakers for the conference was Jennifer Keesmaat who is presently in a race for Mayor of Toronto. She challenged us to step up at times and make a difference in this world.

It is a time of great optimism in Canada for the impact of Christian schools on our culture and this conference called us to be that 'Faithful Presence' in our communities.

Redeeming and Reclaiming:

Christian schools do great redemptive work in communities and often represent the 'Hope we find in Christ' in the cities we are part of.

OCTOBER

10	Picture Orders Due
12	Pizza Day
	Sainte Marie Among the Hurons (Grades 4, 4/5, 5)
15	TCS Merchandise Orders Due
16	Cross Country Meet (Owen Sound)
19	Pizza Day
	Split Chapels (Gr. 1 & 8)
22	Picture Retake Day
24	Pizza Day
25	Christian Teachers/ Convention (No School)
26	TCS Curriculum Review Day (No School)
29	Dutch Store Orders Due
31	Membership Forms Due

One of the workshop leaders, when leading a challenging workshop on reconciliation... quoted singer Bruce Cockburn and challenged us to "kick at the darkness until it bleeds daylight". Which was a powerful reminder that we, as Christians - representing Christ as agents of change and healing in this world, need to work relentlessly to redeem, restore and reclaim the world back to how God intended it to be!



New Families

Since the start of the school year we have welcomed two new families to TCS:

A special welcome to:

- Sergey & Oxana Remo: Anna (7), Tim (1)
- Luis & Cleuza Seborro: Calebe (3) - started today

We trust these new families will be welcomed into the TCS community over the next few weeks!

We have several more families who have taken tours this past week but **as of today our TCS student count is 229** which is a five year high for TCS.

We have officially started a waiting list for grades 2 and 3 for the remainder of this year at TCS, but please encourage families to still register in January for those grades for September 2019 as that will give us plenty of time to plan for new students.

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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 Board of Directors...

Board Reflections from October meeting:

- Mr. Berg led the board in devotions and shared highlights from the Christian Schools Canada convention he attended in Ottawa. The theme was 'Faithful Presence' of Christian schools in our current culture.
- The professional reading for October was the chapter called 'Reinforce Clarity' from the book *The Advantage*.
- The Society Reports from the committees are in process and the board began organizing the Society Meeting, which is November 22.
- The board approved the HR committee's recommendation to hire a new Educational Assistant for TCS. Her name is Joy Watson and she is on a one year full-time appointment to help support the larger classes we are blessed with this school year.

From the Office...

Paperless Newsletter

We are going to try going paperless for our weekly newsletter! Thank you for those who provided feedback. We had overwhelming support for going paperless. If you would prefer to keep having a physical copy sent home with your child, please let Leanna know in the office! We will continue to post it on our website and email out the link to the TCS Community each week. We will continue to send home paper copies of any forms that we need returned to the office (eg. PITCH Forms, pizza & milk orders, etc.) with your oldest child. Thank you!



Cross Country

We have just over a week until our cross country meet in Owen Sound on **October 16th, 2018**. I am in the process of finalizing the schedule for the day, but please be advised that we will be catching our bus early in the morning before school starts (8am) and will be arriving back at the school after school buses have left for the day. It will be a full day away from school and will require parents to drop off in the morning and pick up at the end of the day.

I am still looking for some parent volunteers for the day to help out at the meet with organizing the students to the start and at finish lines. I need approximately **4 more** parents please.

~Mrs. Gruber

Homework Highlights

Grade 4

Wed., Oct. 10 - MW: Ps. 135: 15 (oral)
Vocabulary Quiz: First Nations
Thurs., Oct. 11 - French test (review)
Fr., Oct. 12 - Class Trip—no spelling test/drill this week
Fri., Oct. 19 - Spelling Test Unit 5
Wed., Oct. 24 - Bible Test: Judges

Grade 4/5

Tues., Oct 9 - Spelling test Unit 4
Thurs., Oct. 11 -Scholastic book orders due
French test (gr. 4 review; gr. 5 review + classroom commands)
Fri., Oct. 12 - Class trip to Sainte Marie among the Hurons - 9am-2:30pm
Tues., Oct. 16 - Checking for Understanding: Sign of the Beaver Chapters 1-10
Wed., Oct. 17 -Reading Around God's World due
Thurs., Oct. 18 - Bible Test Unit 1: 1 Peter + MW 1 Peter 5:6-7 (fill in the blanks)

Grade 5

Wed., Oct. 10 -Bible test on 1 Peter
Thurs., Oct. 11 - French test (review + classroom commands)
Fri., Oct. 12 - Class trip to Sainte Marie among the Hurons - 9am-2:30pm
Mon., Oct. 15 - Spelling test Unit 5
Tues., Oct. 16 - Literature Quiz (Ch. 1-6 of The Sign of the Beaver)
Wed., Oct. 17 - Grammar Quiz—review sheet to come home with week

Soccer Update:

Congratulations to our soccer teams who placed second and third in the NTD Soccer Tournament. A huge thank you to our coaches, Mrs. Tankard, Mr. Robertson and D' Juan Robertson. Thank you to all the parents who braved the cool, windy day to cheer on the teams.

SOCCER PLAYERS - PLEASE RETURN YOUR TCS T-SHIRT TO MRS. GOODNOUGH ASAP.

Thank you for a great season. Please note that our final game against KBS on Thursday, Oct. 11 has been cancelled.

— **C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S** —

TCS MERCHANDISE ORDER FOR FALL 2018

If you are interested in ordering any TCS Merchandise for your family this Fall, please take a look at the Order Form attached. Simply, print out the form, fill it out in detail and return it to the school with payment. Orders are being accepted now, so let's support TCS, spread awareness and wear some TCS gear in our communities!

ORDER DUE DATE is Monday, October 15th!

The order will be placed with our suppliers on October 16th in order to have the apparel and products back for pick up at the TCS Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 17th. If there are any discrepancies or printing delays, you will be notified.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email: mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca or call Michelle Roberts at ext. 228



TCS MEMBERSHIP Forms due by October 31st

Please complete and return your TCS Membership forms if you haven't already done so. This will give you access to voting rights at our Fall and Spring Society meetings, policy information and providing the school with the Membership support needed.

Forms were mailed out in June, however, if you no longer have your form for the 2018/2019 school year Membership, please email the office for a copy of the generic form. Thank you for your ongoing support!

From the Community...

re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie South: News & Needs

Shift needs:

- Tuesday & Friday: 9:30-1:30
- Thursday: 1-5pm
- Friday: 1-4pm

Sort nights are every Tuesday evening in October from 6:30-8:30pm. Come out and help unveil Christmas and all sorts of other treasures with your Thrift store friends!

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!

Cross Country

Mrs. Gruber is looking for approximately four more parent volunteers to help at the Cross Country meet in Owen Sound on October 16. Please read the Cross Country section for more information or email bgruber@timothychristianschool.ca. Thank you!

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).



FROM THE PITCH COMMITTEE!

We are hoping all our families at Timothy are having a great start to this school year. 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. All families have received a 2018/19 PITCH form to fill out, and yes **we do need a new form from each family for each new school year.** Please send in your family's completed PITCH form to the TCS Office right away if you haven't as of yet. Starting soon, we will be calling families and following up with them if we do not have a completed form from them on record. Also, please do start reporting any hours to the PITCH Committee by emailing timothypitch@gmail.com 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. (Example: 2 hours - preparing food for the school BBQ) This is to abide by guidelines set out for charities/nonprofits.

Thank you and we look forward to serving alongside you this school year!

TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT OUR ANNUAL

Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 17, 2018

9am - 2pm



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