KINGDOM BUILDERS

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Thank you to our TCS Bazaar team - great work! (from the TCS Administration)



A very special thank you to our entire team of volunteers who worked together to make the TCS 2025 Christmas Bazaar a success! A *special shout out to our Bazaar Leads: Brittany Hooper and Brianne Currie*!! The attendance broke records, and it was a wonderful community event!
A big thank you to everyone who gave their time/expertise to the Bazaar, from the Vendor Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator, Shopping Team, Set up Crew, the creative Greenery Ladies, the Cafeteria Gang, those that baked and/or cooked and/or donated food, the fun Baking Table Bunch, the Auction Squad, the Parking Guys, the Promo Team, and to the Tear Down Gang that worked to clean up and get the school ready for Sunday and Monday again…*THANK YOU!* It was another wonderful event, and we are so grateful!
Our Auction needs an Auctioneer, *and Daryll Sheppard* always delivers top-quality service as he manages and leads the live auction! Thanks a ton Daryll!

TCS and UCHS Membership meeting THIS Thursday - 7:00



The fall combined TCS/UCHS Society Membership Meeting will be held this Thursday evening at 7:00 at TCS. Members in good standing have already received the information package from both schools with all the reports. Members will be able to vote on certain areas at this meeting. Join us this Thursday at 7 to discover…

- What is the update on the new building? When will shovels go in the ground next year?
- How are the fundraising plans coming along?
- What is happening with the new land we are purchasing?
- What are the Big Four areas that the board has approved for Trinity Christian School JK - 12?
- What will the new branding look like (*Lawrence Crook will present our new colours and logo for Trinity*)…and it looks great!
- What will the grades 9 - 12 draft worldview document look like for high school?
- How are plans coming along for the May Equip Worldview conference that TCS will host? Who are the keynote speakers?
- When will we officially become Trinity Christian School?

Join us for the above updates and many more key areas dealing with Unity and TCS as we move toward Trinity Christian School JK - 12!

High School information Evening at TCS (Music Room) THIS Thursday at 6:00



Are you wondering about what Trinity Christian School 9 - 12 will be like? Do you have children in grades 5 - 8 and are starting to think about Christian high school? Join us this Thursday at 6:00 to hear more about the new high school building, vision and key curriculum areas that our board has approved.

If you know any families at Orillia, King or Alliston Christian schools who have students in grades 5-8 and may be wondering about 9 - 12?... Please encourage them to join in this high school information evening too! … more details…

November dates:

- 20 *Gr 7 Immunization Clinic*
  6pm Trinity High School Meeting
  7pm Membership Meeting
- 21 *Pizza Day*
- 24 *Hot Dog Day*
- 27 *VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT*
  BOYS - at TCS
  GIRLS - at TCS

TCS and Unity parents…please forward this newsletter to any parents you know from church/small group/neighbourhood that may be interested in Christian high school so they can also join us at 6:00 pm Thursday to hear about the exciting plans for Trinity Christian High School.

This high school information evening will run from 6:00 - 7:00 BEFORE the membership meeting.

Why Christian education?... Christian education lays a strong Christian worldview in the hearts of students and allows the Holy Spirit to work through teachers and peers to nudge them in their walk with God! It shapes their hearts toward God to help set faith for life!

Christian education…*connecting a student's world to God and challenging them to redeem this culture back to the way God had intended to be!*

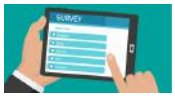


Final Week to fill out the Trinity Survey

TRINITY SURVEY: What needs to be in place for you to consider committing to Trinity Christian School for your entire JK through grade 12 educational journey?

This is the last week that the survey will be available, as it will close this Friday at 4:00.We want to hear from you…Are there key areas you would like to see in place to keep your children in our new JK - 12 system?

Over 80 of our JK - 12 families have already filled out this survey, and next week we will start to work through the data to listen, take note and hear your feedback.



All TCS and Unity parents, please CLICK HERE FOR THE SURVEY LINK, and take a few moments (no more than 3 minutes) to give us your feedback as it is valuable in this planning stage! We want to be your JK - 12 school!

Taking Quotes until January 31 for TCS cleaning contract

We have been very grateful for the good work that Mike and Bernice Huitema have done as our TCS Custodians over the past many years. The Huitemas have informed us they will retire from cleaning the school at the end of this school year. TCS is accepting quotes for a new cleaning team until the end of January. Please call Mr. Berg (or email: rberg@timothychristianschool.ca) if you are interested.

Info re: Anti-bullying Week Nov 17… Kindness Week & Wednesday Dress Up Day!

This week (Nov.17-21), the TCS Spirit Team has double the fun coming your way!

1. Kindness Week

As this is 'Bullying Awareness Week', we are going to have a week dedicated to showing Christ-like love and kindness towards one another. To do this, we are going to have a special raffle where each student will have the opportunity to keep their eyes out for acts of kindness. If they see an act of kindness, they will then write it on a piece of paper and put it in the box designated for that class. Finally, at the end of the week, the Spirit Team will pull a name from each class, and that lucky winner will receive a prize.

2. Superhero Kindness Day - WEDNESDAY Dress Up

On Wednesday, Nov.19, we will have Superhero Kindness Day! This is an opportunity for your kids to dress up creatively as a Hero of Kindness (for example-Captain Kindness or High Five Hero). Also, students can dress up as an existing superhero (i.e. Spiderman, Wonder Woman) if they choose.

We can't wait to see your creativity and kindness come to life this week!
~TCS Spirit Team

Thank you from our TCS Bazaar Coordinators: Brittany & Brianne

We would like to offer our heartfelt thank you to all of our incredible volunteers for the Christmas at Timothy Bazaar and Auction! This past weekend showed, once again, what makes Timothy Christian School such a special place.

We would especially like to thank all of our lead volunteers for their incredible work behind the scenes to make this event possible. **Mary Kalk** (Volunteer Coordinator), **Jenny Faris** (Marketing & Advertising), **Kim Kooy** (Vendor Coordinator), **Laurie and Jeff Van Campen** (Dutch Store), **Jill Connolly** (Greenery), **Christy McGee** (Bake Sale), **Amanda Smith** (Cafeteria) & **Colin Walton** (Parking Coordinator)

Also to our wonderful Auction Team who gathered donations, shopped for items, and logged everything onto Galabid: **Tracey Sheppard, Shannon Jackson, Danae Yeboah, Cecilia Hickey, Joanna Wojcik, Marianne Poznic, Modest Baffour, Amy Kiezebrink, Sara Vandenberg, Trish Bovenberg, Rebekah Walters, Lindsey Thornton, & Courtney Li.**

And to everyone who participated, your generosity, teamwork, and servant-hearted spirit were the driving force behind this wonderful event! Thank you, everyone, for another successful year!

Sincerely,
Brianne Currie and Brittany Hooper

Community News

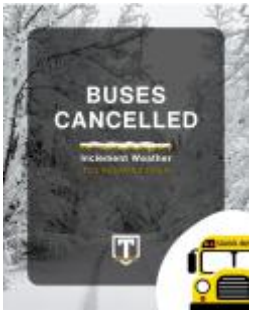
1. It is with heavy hearts that we pass on the news that Sandy Salazar, a TCS parent, the wife of Christian and mother to Sophia (8) and Mia (5), passed away this weekend after a long battle with cancer. Our prayers go out for the family.
   - ***Visitation information:***
     Friday, November 21, 5:00-8:00 pm
     Legacy Funeral and Cremation Services
     55 Cedar Pointe Drive
     Suite 600
     Barrie, ON
   - ***Celebration of Life Service:***
     Saturday, November 22, 11:00 am
     Harvest Bible Chapel
     7 George Street
     Barrie, ON
2. Congrats to the Troop family: Jeanelle and Bobby, Isla (1) and Mack (JK) on the birth of a new baby brother, named Cam (Cameron), last week.
3. We also congratulate the Couperus family: Nathaniel & Lindsey, Lydia (SK), Emily (pre-school), and Jonathan (pre-school) on the birth of a brother, Henry!

PITCH Opportunity: Support TCS by Volunteering at Our Concessions Table

We're looking for volunteers to help sell concessions during the *Boys' Volleyball Tournament this Thursday, November 27.* Shifts are flexible — come for any interval between 8:45 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. All proceeds support TCS, and your help makes a big difference!

If you're able to help, please email Deanna Faris at deannafaris7@gmail.com we'd love to have you join us

Winter is here… Bus Cancellation Procedure in Challenging Weather



- Once Landmark informs the school of cancellations, the TCS office will send an email to all TCS parents informing them that the buses are cancelled, but TCS remains open (*99% of the time, TCS will remain open when our buses are cancelled*). ***The email will be sent by 6:30 am. We will also post on social media.***
- When the TCS buses are cancelled, parents have the option of keeping their children at home for the day or driving their children to school by 8:45 am and picking them up at 3:25 pm. Please use the front door for drop off and pick up on snow days. *On these days, you do not need*

to inform the school if your children are staying home, as our assumption is that all students are home unless a parent drops them off at 8:45 am.

- Because we usually have less than 20% of our students at TCS on these days, no new lessons will be taught as it will be a quiet work day to catch up on outstanding work and reinforce skills.

Historically, Landmark has cancelled buses about 5 to 8 times between December 15 and April 15.

Do we ever close school in challenging weather…*yes*! It is very rare, but if we feel it is too dangerous for drivers to be on the road, we will cancel school completely due to very poor visibility or freezing rain. Again, we will send out a school-wide email to all parents and post on social media.

Bus Transportation Reminders:



1. **Please be sure your child is at the bust stop 10 minutes early.**
2. **How to contact Landmark Bus Lines Barrie on days when they are late**

TCS parents please note you can call **Landmark Bus Lines Barrie** (our bus company) anytime the buses are on the road to check in with dispatch on an ETA. **Landmark's contact: 705-722-6666**.

Students Late for School



A gentle reminder from our teachers: Parents, please be on time for school. From a teacher's point of view, having students come after 8:45 can be very disruptive to a lesson and to other students. It seems to be a trend lately that a number of students are arriving late regularly. At times, we can have up to 30+ students late. Dentist or doctor appointments are totally different, but our teachers have mentioned that there is a wave of students consistently coming to class after the bell in the morning. Students who come late miss out on morning instructions, important Math or Language Arts lessons, and can disrupt other students who are trying to focus on their work.

Thank you, parents, for your support! It definitely helps the day run smoothly for everyone if schedules are adhered to.

Illness: When to stay home



After an illness, students are welcome back to school when there have been 24 hours without symptoms (meaning your child has been 24 hours without a fever, has not been vomiting, has not had diarrhea, etc.) Coughing and runny noses are sometimes common at school so that shouldn't keep a child at home unless the child is unable to cope or manage independently with wiping the nose or coughing into the elbow, and the runny nose or coughing isn't a constant interruption or disturbance to the class. Thank you in advance for your consideration with this! Any questions, please ask the office.

Snow Valley Skiing/Snowboarding and Tubing



Historically, a parent-led winter event has been TCS family skiing/snowboarding/tubing on Thursday evenings at a special reduced rate. ***A new TEAM of parent coordinators is needed.*** We have had one parent express interest in being on a team to coordinate the discount tickets… anyone else willing to help out and spread the responsibilities around? A past parent is willing to guide you on how the program has usually been run. What is involved:

- The coordinator will need to be at Snow Valley every Thursday from January to March, from 4-5pm to collect money and hand out tickets (TCS families are asked to register for a Thursday 2 weeks in advance).

THIS IS NOT A PITCH OPPORTUNITY. If you are interested in keeping this program going this year, please contact the office, and we will put you in touch with the past coordinator. tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca

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Check out this link to buy TCS Gear: https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/
Show your TCS school spirit and wear black, gold, grey, or your TCS gear on Fridays!

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is ***Jesus Christ.***
1 Corinthians 3:11

Thinking about ordering TCS Apparel?

Check out a few of the MANY apparel options modelled by some of our staff and students! Our store offers quality brand names, including Under Armour, Champion, Columbia and more! All the clothing and accessory options are fully customizable (the preview photo shows one of many options), so be sure to explore the many colour, size, and logo options available for each item.

A few things to be aware of:

1. All orders are custom, and as such, they are non-refundable unless the shop has made an error. Be sure to review your order carefully before submitting!
2. Free shipping is available for orders over $100.
3. Sometimes, certain items/styles will have limited sizes depending on the stock available. Be sure to check back as availability will change.
4. All items are available to be purchased using a credit card.

All payment is done through the site and functions separately from the school.

Logging your PITCH hours

Logging PITCH hours is each family's responsibility! Hours not completed OR logged will be billed at the end of the year

Please be aware that it is each family's responsibility to track and log their own PITCH hours. Hours logged are pending until they have been reviewed by the PITCH Committee. To enter your hours, please follow these instructions:

- Log onto Sycamore with your family specific login (TCS School Id: 3982)
- On the left side of the School Homepage: Click "My School"
- Click "My Service Logs"
- Click "NEW" button on the right side
- Complete the form *choosing the appropriate heading*
- Click "**Save**"... entered hours are pending until approved by the PITCH committee
- *Families that are required to complete ONLY 15 hours, please be sure to log the SPECIAL PITCH AUTHORIZATION of 10 hours (these are the hours granted to you so you only need to complete 15 hours in total).*

Remember, each family is permitted to enter 2.5 hours for attending Society meetings (even if you aren't a member!).
Instructions for logging PITCH hours can be found on the Sycamore Homepage "***How To Submit PITCH Hours***".
If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact pitch@timothychristianschool.ca

Thank you for adding to the life of the school by volunteering your time!

Volunteer & Donate to the re-Source Thrift Shop South - 28 Commerce Park Drive, Unit B



One of TCS's financial supporters is the re-Source Thrift Shop South, and we very much appreciate the shop's dedication and support! This is a great place to volunteer a few hours a month/week to get to know the TCS community - Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, parents, friends, neighbours: We appreciate everyone's support! The team is fun to work with, and you will be raising funds to support many great community organizations, including TCS!

If you can donate a few hours, the shop would love to have you join the team. Please **SCAN this QR Code**. OR Click here for the link to the Volunteer Information Package. If you have questions, please email resource.barrie@outlook.com or drop in and speak with the shop manager Brenda.

Also, please consider donating your used items (please no furniture as space is limited) as that is what keeps the store generating funds! Take some time to drop by the shop and look around, there is always a treasure waiting to be found!
