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CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

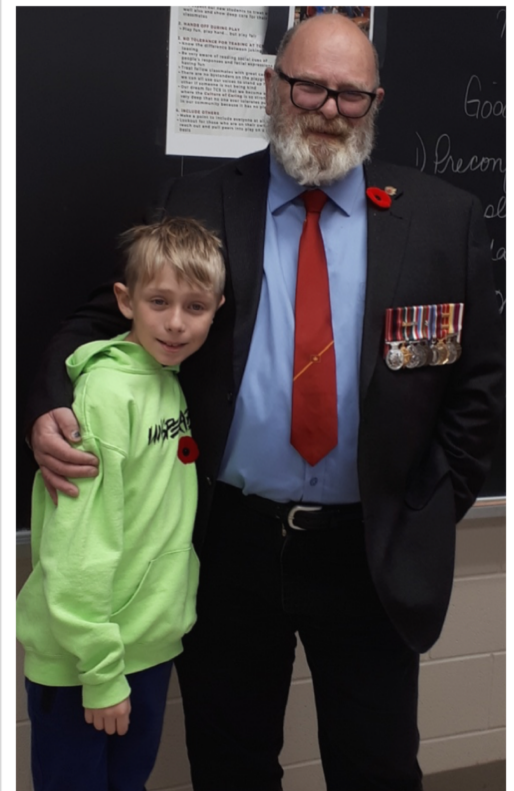


From the Principal...

Remembering our Veterans at TCS this morning!

This morning TCS honoured our veterans by taking the time to reflect on Remembrance Day. It started with the grade 3/4 class leading a Remembrance Day chapel from 9:15-9:45am. We then held a moment of silence at 11:00am as all students, teachers, and parents at the school stood and listened with respect to the Last Post. Then we remembered those who gave their lives for Canada during the minute of silence.

The picture below is of TCS parent, Rob Henderson, a member of the Canadian Armed Forces for 34 years, as he spoke to the grade 5 and 6 students after the chapel. Rob took some time to help the grade 5 and 6 students understand war and why Remembrance Day is so important. Thank you, Rob - not only for speaking to the grade 5 and 6 students... but also for your 34 years protecting this great land we call home (Canada!). We remember!



Annual TCS Christmas Bazaar & Auction – THIS SATURDAY!

This is the weekend! Our Annual TCS Christmas Bazaar and Auction is this Saturday, November 16th from 9am-2pm. Join us for great food, great community, fellowship, and great auction items! Spread the word—this is always a great day with our TCS Community! Click here to share the event page on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1942919005854657/>

If you would still like to sign up to volunteer, please email Christa Kers at kers321.ck@gmail.com.

Parent-Teacher Interviews—Wednesday & Friday

Please note that the online sign up for parent-teacher conferences is open until **today**! Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on November 13th from 4-8:45pm and November 15th from 9am-12pm. **A reminder that there is NO SCHOOL on Friday, November 15 due to interviews in the morning and set up for the Bazaar in the afternoon.**

NOVEMBER

- 11 9am - Remembrance Day Full Chapel (Gr. 3/4)
- 12 Volleyball Practice (3:30-5pm)
- 13 Pizza Day
Parent-Teacher Interviews (4-8:45pm)
- 14 Bazaar Baking Day! (Gr. 2-8)
Volleyball Practice (3:30-5pm)
- 15 **PD DAY (No School!)**
Parent-Teacher Interviews (9am-12pm)
- 16 TCS Christmas Bazaar & Auction (9am-2pm)
- 19 Volleyball Tournament (at King Christian)
- 21 High School Information Evening (6-7pm)
TCS Fall Society Meeting (7pm)
- 22 9am-Bullying Awareness Full Chapel (Gr. 3)
Pizza Day
- 29 9-9:45am-Bullying Awareness Full Chapel
Pizza Day

Bazaar Baking Day—November 14th

The Grades 2-8 classes will be participating in a baking day on Thursday to bake goodies for the Bakery at the Bazaar on November 16th. Please bring in a loonie or toonie to help cover the cost of the supplies needed to make the baking possible. Students can give their loonies/toonies to their classroom teacher to collect.

From the Resource Room

Parents: just a reminder, if your child received an IEP or Student Profile in their progress report, you are reminded to please review it, you may choose to discuss it at interviews, and then sign and return it to Mrs. Covert by **Friday, November 15th**. A copy will be sent home for your records after. Thank you!

TCS Membership Meeting – Thursday, November 21st!

The Fall TCS Society Meeting is coming up soon! Worldview specialist, Wesley Huff, will be speaking on the topic, “Why is worldview so important at the elementary age?” You will also hear updates from various committees, our TCS Strategic Plan, the admin report and an update from our grade 6 and 7 teachers regarding their trip to India. Come join us from 7-9pm on Thursday, November 21st! The fall report was emailed to all TCS Society Members last week.

Join us

Bus Cancellation Days at TCS

Now that we have started the winter season, here are a few reminders regarding TCS bus cancellation days:

1. TCS works very hard to keep the school open on bus cancellation days. As a general guideline, like the local public and Catholic schools in Barrie, TCS will remain open on bus cancellation days to the best of our ability, which works out most of the time.
2. When TCS began the process a few years back of keeping the school open on days when the buses were cancelled, the intent of the Board was to support the families who are both working and who had no options for daycare on these days (plus the additional cost of paying for daycare over and above TCS tuition)
3. Please note, due to the very low number of students who attend TCS on bus cancellation days, there is no new information being taught on those days. Students are grouped together and we do try to keep the focus educational. However, with only 40-50 students at the school on those days, no new lessons can be taught.
4. In the rare case of extreme poor weather (usually very limited visibility or ice), the school reserves the right to make the call to close the school for the safety of both staff and parents driving (this will be rare but the potential is there).
5. The school communicates to our parent community that the buses are cancelled or school is closed via email between 6:00 and 6:30 in the morning. Please ensure that the front office has your *current email* for this purpose. Most bus cancellation days are in January and February due to winter weather.
6. Our buses are almost always cancelled when the Simcoe County buses are cancelled. If you are ever wondering, check the Simcoe County District School Board website under buses - if they are cancelled, within 5-10 minutes we get the call from our bus company and then we send out the email to our TCS parents. You can also check this website for bus cancellations: <https://simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/>

*Note: On bus cancellation days, the school hours are between **8:30 and 3:30** for parents dropping off and picking up students.*



November is Bullying Awareness Month at TCS!

What is happening throughout November at TCS?

- **Wristbands**—each student and staff member were given a wristband this morning with the phrase “What Does Love Look Like?” on it. Our hope is that we, as a community, will use this phrase to help our students articulate how to live and treat each other as we do life at TCS this month.
- **Chapels**—November 22 and November 29 will be Bullying Awareness chapels. Grade 3 will host the November 22 chapel with Steve Bradley speaking about his recent book called, “Chase & Bolts” (children’s book about Bullying Awareness). Each classroom will receive this book this week and it will be read in each classroom by each teacher to help build some common language around the topic.

Steve will highlight some key points from his book at the November 22nd chapel and grade 3 will also expand on the wristband theme at that chapel. At the November 29th chapel we will have students share some stories and wrap-up the Bullying Awareness month.

- **Homeroom devotions**—twice a week throughout November, each homeroom teacher will share a ‘Bullying Awareness devotional’ to start the day to help students focus on supporting each other, not being a bystander and dealing with negative peers.

Overall, we will focus on the above areas throughout the month of November to help all our students reflect deeply on the phrase, “What Does Love Look Like?” Being that the phrase is right there on our wrists... it will be a quick and fast learning tool throughout the day. We will use this phrase to push us to care deeply about each other in the month ahead.

Parents, join us...! There are extra wristbands in the office and we encourage our TCS parents to stop by the office, take a wristband, wear it for the month of November, and join us as we help our students live the phrase “What Does Love Look Like?” in the TCS community. We want home and school to tag team and talk that phrase through and embed it deep into the values and culture at TCS. **We have a dream for TCS...** that the culture of caring is so deep and takes such a strong hold in our students... that no one allows others to be treated in an unfair or hurtful way. There are no bystanders! We all own the tone!

Thank You to the Grass Cutters

A huge thank you to our team of grass cutters over this past summer! There was a faithful team of parents, grandparents and long time supporters who faithfully loaded their lawn mowers on to trailers and cut the TCS fields all spring, summer, and fall - and we greatly appreciate all your hard work! Thank you!

High School Transition Information**November 21st High School Information Evening (6-7pm)**

New this year will be a High School information evening open to all TCS parents and students. This will be in our music room on November 21st from 6-7pm which is just before the TCS membership meeting. This is a general ‘learn about the transition to high school’ evening that will be hosted by Unity Christian School staff, but will help all parents and students better understand the transition to grade nine regardless of which high school they will be attending next year.

RVH Community Lecture Series - “Concussions: An Evening with Experts”

Below we are including a link with information about the RVH Community Lecture Series “Concussions: An Evening with Experts” for Tuesday, November 26 from 6:00-7:30pm. With so many people experiencing concussions and the new protocol involved, some TCS staff will also be attending this free event.

Note: you do have to register even though it is a free event at Georgian Theatre. <https://barriefht.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/11-Nov-26-Concussions.pdf>

From the Community...

In Memory of Mr. Steve Ellis

On behalf of our TCS Community, we would like to extend our condolences to Deb Ellis & her family. Mr. Ellis taught at Timothy Christian School (Barrie) from 1977 to 1990. He loved TCS and had a strong impact on many TCS alumni. The funeral details can be found in his obituary here:
<https://www.greybrucecremation.com/2019/11/steve-ellis/>

Update from the re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie – South

Thanks to all of our volunteers for their hard work last week. We had another great crew working hard this week. Our Monday inventory day was a huge success, a small but mighty group of people worked hard to transform the store. Throughout the week we had help as we continued to work through our seasonal items!! So much accomplished... so many donations have come in. We have heaps and heaps of donations (Christmas & Reg) so if you are in the neighbourhood... pop in and help us out! We are selling Christmas inventory like crazy!! Help us get it on the shelves!!

Check us out the Bazaar this Week!!

Be sure to stop by our booth at the Christmas Bazaar. We will be showcasing the shop on your behalf. There will be many repurposed projects on display and an opportunity to purchase some fun finds. We will be handing out water bottles and ornaments reminding people to pray for the shop. Check us out!

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is a powerful part of our community at TCS. For this reason, the staff pray for a group of families each week. The TCS staff prayed for the Gruber, Hamilton, Han families during devotions this week. May you feel God's ever ready presence in your decisions and experiences.

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES!

Bazaar Volunteers!

We are still looking to fill a few volunteer spots for our Annual Christmas Bazaar on November 16, 2019. Please contact Christa Kers at kers321.ck@gmail.com to find out where you can help if you're available.

Bazaar – Children's Game Hall Help Needed!

STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-8 and HIGHSCHOOLERS, please do sign up to help for an hour or two in the Kids Games Hall. We need YOUR help to make it a success! If you have children that are in grades 6-12 that can help with running any of the games (9-11:30am) or movie supervision time (11:45am-1:00pm) as well that would be so greatly appreciated! High school students can get signed off for some of their required volunteer hours by helping out at the Bazaar as well! We would also still 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. Thank you! - Jessica VanLoenen 705-627-1000 or ajvanloenen@yahoo.ca

Bazaar – Bakery Helpers & Baking!

We are in need of helpers in the bakery on the day of the Bazaar (Nov. 16). Time slots are 9-10:30, 10:30-12, and 12-2pm. Please email ae holland@rogers.com to sign up for a time slot. We are also always looking for extra baked goods to sell at the Bazaar! Thank you!

Bazaar – Café Volunteers & Donations

We could use a few more volunteers to help in the Bazaar Café (shifts of 9-1 and 10-2 available). We are also looking for donations of homemade soup (chicken noodle, dutch meatball, pea, vegetable), chili, pies, assorted pops, water & juice boxes. Please contact Natalie Riewe if you can help at nriewe1@gmail.com.



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INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT OUR ANNUAL

Christmas Bazaar

**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 16, 2019
9am - 2pm**

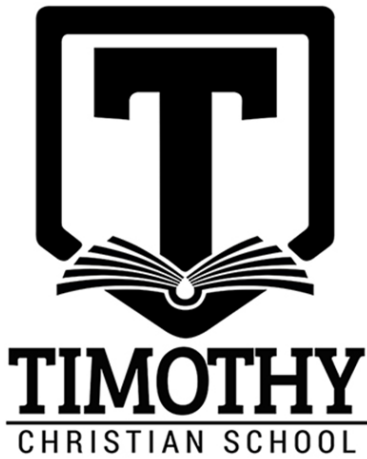
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