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CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal...

Thriving and Finishing Strong in the Final Few Weeks of the School Year!

In this week's video, I mention how the provincial government announced last week that all schools in Ontario will continue with the online program of instruction throughout the end of June. The plan now is for all schools in the province of Ontario to start face to face again in September. Lots of guidelines will be in place for that time, but, that is the plan for now. Finish well, my friends! We are truly (*no, really... this time we are!*) in the final four weeks of this school year. The next three weeks will be the regular Teacher-Led Online Learning Pathway that we have been running at TCS since March 25. We encourage all our families to stay with the teachers and finish well! For the last week of school, we will mix it up and have a few different activities. Part of the end of the last week will also include a parent pick up time for books, personal items, etc. Look for that during that last week. Stay with us and finish this second term at TCS strong!

Report Card Writing Day on Friday, June 5th (PA Day - No School)

A week from this Friday (next week Friday, June 5) will be a Professional Activity Day for TCS teaching staff, which means they have that day to write Term Two report cards. There will be no instruction sent home on that day. Normal instruction will be sent home starting again on Monday, June 8. As mentioned previously, the June report cards will have a different look to them to allow for the unique assessment that has occurred this term to better reflect the style of instruction. Parents, please note the report cards will reflect the work students put into this past term. We strongly encourage our parents (and students) to stay with us and finish well and the June report cards will reflect this learning journey for each child. We understand the weather is finally feeling like summer and it is easy to check out... but the end of this school year is in sight and whatever you drop now (homework wise and learning the skills), the teacher has to make up in the fall. End well and stay with us TCS parents! This year will soon be in the history books! The intent at this time is to send the June report cards home via email on the last day of school which will be on June 19. A printed copy will also be placed in the OSR (Ontario Student Record) as we normally do each June.

Grade 8 Graduation on Friday, June 12th

The TCS staff and administration (with board approval pending) are processing some unique ideas that will safely allow some time for the honouring of our grade 8 graduates. Part of this will be virtual/online and part of it may be an opportunity to drive by and show support. Once we process it and have it all figured out to make sure it supports social distancing properly respects current COVID-19 protocol, we will email the plan to our grade 8 families. Please keep the original graduation ceremony date and time of June 12 from 6-8pm available as we would like to run the safe/COVID-careful activities during this time. More to come later this week.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM
ALL OF US AT TCS!

- May 26: Oliver (SK), Abby (3/4)
- May 28: Nola (6)
- May 29: Annika (JK-B), Bellamy (JK-B)

Spring Society Update this Thursday, May 28th

We are planning an online Spring Society Update this Thursday, May 28th at 7:00pm. All the information for this meeting was sent out two weeks ago. **To receive the link for this online meeting, you must register using the following link:** <https://forms.gle/Poie7itYX7QVkdRT9> If you have any questions you would like the Board to address, please also include these in your registration for this meeting.

Pick Up/Drop Off Day for Student Items at TCS

1. TCS staff are planning for a drive-through style pick up at the end of the last few days of school on either June 18th or 19th to allow parents to pick up student items and drop off textbooks, Chromebooks, instruments, jerseys, etc. If you can wait for that, we would appreciate doing it in a mass drive though like we did for grades 3-8 parents back in April.
2. We also understand that a few of our TCS parents are needing some items to be picked up sooner and we would like to arrange a few options for those parents who can't wait (eg. shoes, etc). Please fill out this form and we will get back to you to try and arrange for a few special visits at the end of this week.
<https://forms.gle/cmyv2U1SrtyJeJdh6>

Week Two of Celebrating Student Work at TCS during the Teacher-Led Online Learning Pathway!

Parents, please take the time to look at the amazing student work that has gone on at TCS over the past ten weeks that we have run this Teacher-Led Online Learning Pathway at TCS. There is lots to celebrate and a lot of wonderful work that has been done! *Truly, learning has thrived over the past ten weeks at TCS and we want to showcase this work again this week!* This is week two of celebrating student work with pictures in the newsletter. This week will include a couple short videos that feature students presenting their work to teachers and other pictures of student work (all with both the student and the parent permission given). Please take the time today to look over this great student work! Way to go TCS students! In the middle of very different circumstances... *learning has thrived at TCS*. Celebrate with us as you view the pictures at the end of the newsletter! Here are links to Selah's project (<https://youtu.be/4r-FrSrr31M>) & Layla's project (<https://youtu.be/VI0JBcic69A>)

Pictures of Student Work to Share with our Community?

During this time of teacher-led online learning, there have been many projects happening across the grade levels. You may have seen some of the Grade 6-8 students "Spreading Hope" projects on our Facebook and Instagram pages. We think there might be some more inspiring work out there to share from other grades too! If you're interested in sharing your child's work, please feel free to send in a photo and we'll be sure to share it to the Newsletter or on our social media platforms. Please email any pictures to mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca as soon as you can so we can begin to showcase their great projects!

Helpful Educational Websites for TCS Students

Looking for good educational websites that your children can work on when they are finished with schoolwork? Here is a link with several resources:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1n7j6v8WZk1Co7zulqQtCOXJf4nujvtT6Y-Xys0sCods/edit?usp=sharing>

Thanks to Miss Gronfors who surveyed the TCS classroom teachers and pulled together a list of websites that parents may find helpful from Primary through to Senior grades as well as French. We will try and update these websites now and then throughout the next few weeks.



“Sing Together” – Christian Elementary Schools Music Project!

This is a project being launched by Edvance Christian Schools Association to bring together students from other Christian elementary schools to sing with the gladness of our good and faithful God. Edvance invites TCS to participate in a collaborative singing project—a digital video compilation of hundreds of students singing “Build My Life” together! “Build My Life” is a contemporary worship song that captures the idea of building a firm foundation on God. In these challenging times, singing together gives our children an opportunity to bring joy, to bear witness to God’s grace, and to express their faith and trust in God. This music project will mark a hard time in our history with an enduring message of hope.

The song learning materials are fully prepared for students to do at home, and will be accessible to parents via an online website www.edvancesingtogether.ca. Submissions will be due by June 10, 2020.

Parents will find on this link:

- A backing track for kids to sing along to
- Words and a lyric video with the backing track (karaoke-style)
- Easy filming instructions for parents (no special equipment required—just a cell phone!)
- Instructions on how to upload the videos filmed at home

If you have any questions or are having troubles accessing anything on the link please contact Sarah Burt at Edvance, by email at sarah.burt@edvance.ca, she is the collaborative leader for this project. There is no need to email the videos to any TCS teachers or staff; the process is so simple! The final musical compilation video will be posted as a private Youtube link for parents and students to see and it will be shared with TCS if our students choose to participate in this province wide activity, making history and uniting hearts. We are so excited to see the final product! Enjoy!



Grass Cutting Volunteers

We are looking for new recruits to cut grass this year. We will still have our regular team of lawn maintenance people but it's always excellent to have more people on board if you're able and willing to help out! Please email Mike Huitema at mandbhuitema@hotmail.com if you're interested in helping or have any other questions. Thank you!

**PRAYER CORNER**

Prayer is a powerful part of our community at TCS. For this reason, the staff prays for a group of families each week. The TCS staff prayed for the Van Loenen (G&M), Van Luik, van Zyl, Vanderboon, and Veenstra families during devotions this week. May you feel God's ever ready presence in your decisions and experiences.

TCS Spring Annual Drive 2020

The COVID-19 crisis has affected many of us in different ways. Families have been affected by financial strains due to job loss, and we have had to cancel our Rental opportunities which we depend on as income. As stressful as this time has been for all of us, we are so thankful that our teaching and administrative staff were able to quickly collaborate to develop the "teacher-led online learning" platform. This was integrated the week after March Break and has been a successful way to connect the teachers with their students to continue their curriculum education online. Due to all of these challenges, the annual budget at TCS has been impacted and we pray that with your help, we can stabilize our budget this year.

*We urge you to consider supporting our Spring Annual Drive to aid in stabilizing our budget this year. Please see the attached Donor Card or go to our **NEW** "Support TCS" tab on our website: www.timothychristianschool.ca ; press **Donate Now**. **YOU CAN SUPPORT US ONLINE!***

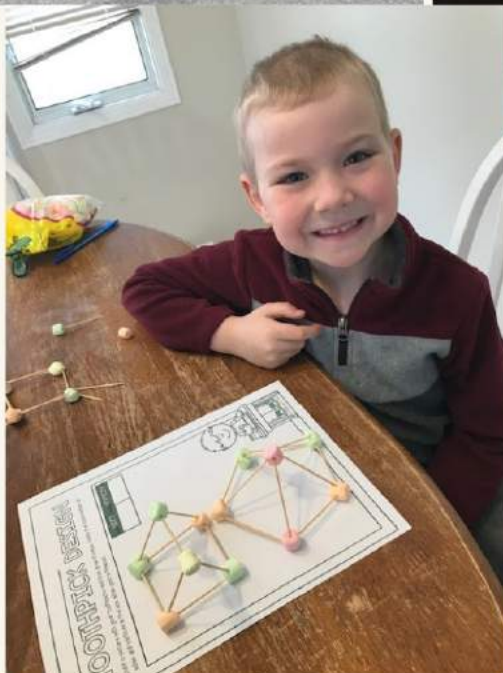


TCS relies heavily on the financial support of our extended TCS Community. This support enables us to offer a moderated tuition rate for all families, provide additional discount programs and needs-based tuition assistance, as well as achieve other strategic dreams and necessary initiatives. Would you consider supporting the wonderful work of Timothy Christian School through our Annual Drive this year? Through your support, you will help to ensure that our students will continue to receive dynamic and quality Christian education. Your investment would have a lasting impact on the families and students that God has entrusted us with. Our Annual Drive goal for the year is \$125,000, will you help us to reach this goal?

TCS STUDENT WORK



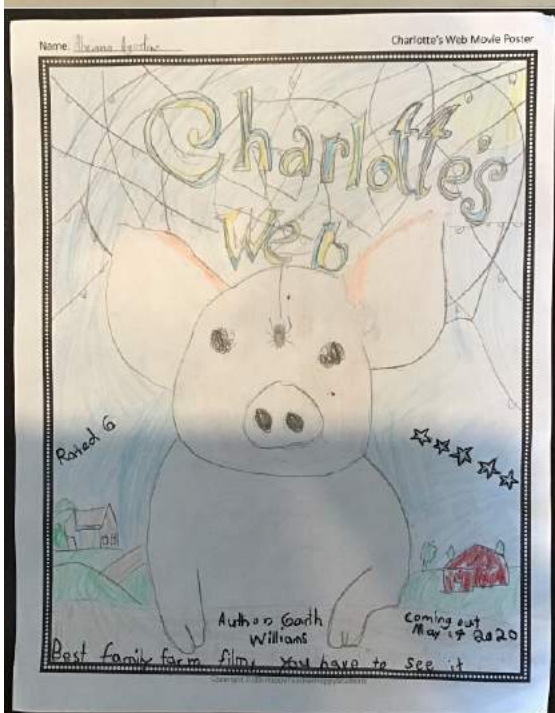




Bake-off Disaster!

One hot summer morning me Mikayla and Cathrin where getting aree bakery ready for another day. Then I had a idea so I told Mikayla and Cathrin "we should sell lemanad to." They agreed with me. so I got the bakeing going when Cathrin and Mikayla got the lemanad ready. After we got the shop ready we sold all of the lemnad and all most all of the cup cakes. The next moning we got invited to a bake-off competition so we got bakeing. Evin thow our shop was closed we were stil bisy. I whent to get a cup of flower but the bag was empty! I was horafid so I went to tell Cathrin and Mikayla. They where sad. We nedid 4 more cups of flower to finish our cake. The gugis wont take a

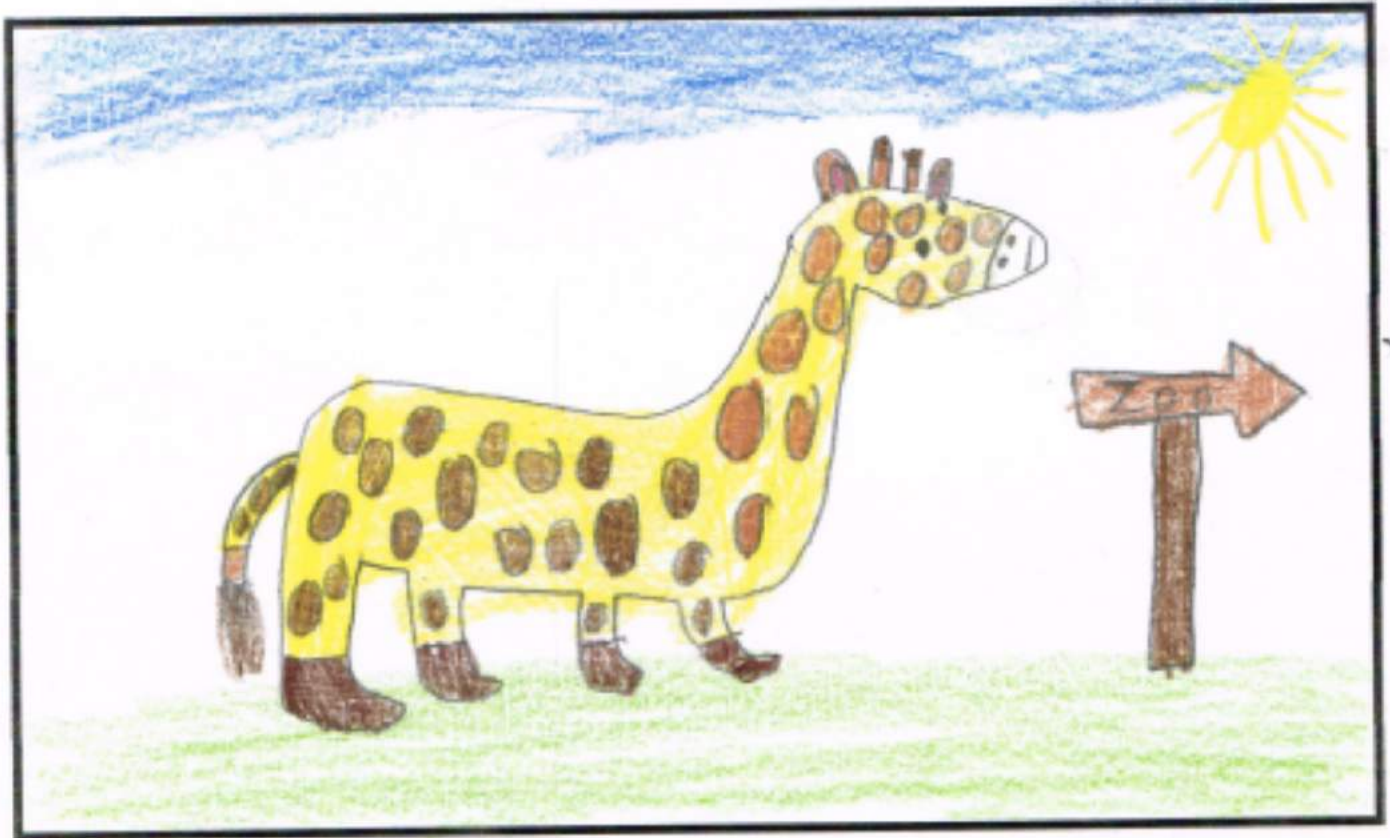
had finished cake. We were in trouble.
We asked 10 different bakeries but none
of them had extra flavor. We were in
even bigger trouble now. Then I remembered
that our mom's also worked at a bakery. It
was called Yum Yum. After we called all of
the bakeries that we knew we called my Mom
and she had extra flavor. So I went to
get it. When I got back I finished
the cake with Cathrin and Mikayla. The
cake had many cupcakes on it. We got it
in the truck. At the end we won a
gold trophy filled with cake. We were proud
of our self because we won.



Topic _____

By: Avery B

Title Giraffy and me go to the Zoo.



It was a nice sunny Day and me and Giraffy decided we wanted to go to the Zoo. Giraffy is my baby pet Giraffe. Me and Giraffy went in a taxi it didn't take us long to get to the Elmvale Zoo. First when we get to the Zoo I get Giraffe food. Then I gave Giraffy the Giraffe food and he ate it when I was paying. Next we walked to where the Giraffes were. I asked Giraffy?