



From the Principal ...

## TCS interviewing for a 3rd Kindergarten position this week!

Due to the wonderful growth this spring at TCS, the HR committee is interviewing several candidates for a 3rd kindergarten class. If you know of any OCT certified teachers who have a passion for Christian education, please inform them we are accepting resumes up to the end of the day this Wednesday. This 3rd kindergarten position will be 60% (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) and it will be a one-year term.

#### TCS new Tuesday and Thursday (optional) Kindergarten Class already full for September!

Several weeks ago we announced that the TCS Board approved an optional Tuesday and Thursday kindergarten program starting this September. We are very excited to announce that *this program is already full* and we will be starting a waitlist for anyone who is interested. The waitlist would put a student on a priority list in case anyone who is presently in the program moves or changes their mind. Based on the survey we took earlier in the spring, there was some interest from families to 'opt-in' to a Tuesday and Thursday program which would allow kindergarten for JK and SK to run five days a week for those students. Part time families would be required to pay the full-time rate but full-time families would not be charged any other cost. Within two weeks this program filled up and we are now starting a waitlist for those interested. A reminder that this program is an 'opt-in for the full year' expectation not a day to day opt in.

## Essa road construction starting this week

We have been informed by the city of Barrie that Essa road will be scraped and repaved in the weeks ahead. The city will also be changing the entire formation of the crosswalk/stop light of the TCS intersection where we turn into the street the school is on. The repaving of Essa road will run from Mapleview, along the school down to County Road 27 over the next few weeks. Note to expect delays coming to school as there will be single lane traffic during this process.



## TCS Resource Program Evaluation survey - due this Friday

Last week the TCS administration began an evaluation/review of our TCS Resource Program. About 30 plus families who have children in the TCS Resource program received an email last week with a link to a survey asking several questions about the program. TCS staff were also sent an email asking for input. We thank those involved in advance for your valuable input into this very important TCS program. The administration looks forward to summarizing the input and providing Mrs. Covert and her team with many confirmations and good suggestions to keep this program healthy and strong for years to come.

April

27 Meat orders DUE 29 Resource Survey's DUE Pizza Day

May

13 Meat delivery

19 Spring Membership Meeting

## TCS Membership meeting on May 19

Please circle the date of May 19 for our first in-person membership meeting at TCS in two years! We are very excited to see our membership face to face to give you updates on TCS. The meeting will include:



- Information on the 60th Anniversary planned for next year March 31 and April 1st.
- A presentation by several staff members about a Christian conflict resolution (called Wayfinder) process that several TCS staff members have been trained in.
- Updates from the principal and the finance department.
- Affirming three new board members which you will see when the membership package which will go
  out in the next few weeks.

## Very Exciting plans for the TCS 60th Anniversary next March!

God has been so very good to TCS over the years! Next year we have the incredible blessing of celebrating 60 years that TCS has been in the community of Barrie! To celebrate this wonderful event we are planning a two-day Worldview conference on March 31st (with our senior students) and April 1st (with parents and the Barrie community). Since next year we will be launching our full worldview/apologetics program in all the grades at TCS, it seems to be the perfect opportunity to host a conference that celebrates the powerful teaching and learning about apologetics and



a Christian worldview at TCS. Circle the calendar for March 31 & April 1, 2023, as TCS celebrates 60 years of God's goodness!

## Grade 7 and 8 Fundraiser: North Country Meat Sale Orders DUE THIS THURSDAY

Grades 7's & 8's are selling meat from North Country Meat as a fundraiser toward school trips. Take a look at the delicious meats they are selling by clicking here. This is the same quality product served at many restaurants (such as The Keg). If you are interested in buying meat, please contact a grade 7 or 8 student for more information or the office tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca. Your support in buying this meat is greatly appreciated! Orders are due by April 27th. Meat will be delivered May 13.



\*Parents please refer to instructions that were sent home in your child's package regarding submitting your orders. Thank you in advance!

## Administrative Assistant Needed at First CRC – Apply by April 27, 2022.

First Christian Reformed Church of Barrie is seeking an Administrative Assistant. Contact Henry Winters (h.winters12@sympatico.ca) or Phyllis Alberts-Meijers (palbertsmeijers@gmail.com) for the job description and for further information. Confidentiality is assured.



## **Badminton Team**

We are thankful to God for His grace and goodness to the TCS Badminton Team as we were able to compete again for the first time in a few years. We had a great season together which ended on a high note during last week's tournament. Each member of the team worked hard toward their goals, demonstrated perseverance and used their unique gifts to glorify God. TCS finished with four 1st place finishes (girls singles, boys singles, girls' doubles and boys' doubles) and one 2nd place finish (mixed doubles). Go Knights!



## Grade seven parents and students...we need you on June 17!

A reminder to all our grade seven parents and students that we are looking to you for help in both decorating the gym and church and for serving the grade eight graduation dinner on June 17. Both grade seven parents and students will be helping in this process as it takes about 30 people to help with this event on June 17. If you have not signed up yet, please fill in the survey where you can help. Many hands make light work and this is the time for the grade seven students to serve and help grade eight. Please sign up to help here.

## **Yearbook Advertising and Sponsorship Opportunities**

We are still looking for yearbook sponsorships and donations! Your generosity will help make the yearbook more affordable for our students. We have 20 pages still available for sponsorship (minimum of \$30/page), or if you'd like to make a general donation to the overall cost of the yearbook, gifts of \$25 or more may be eligible for a tax receipt. Thank you in advance

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for your support! Please email agronfors@timothychristianschool.ca for more information!

#### FROM THE PITCH COMMITTEE RE: HOURS FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR

Being that this school year has continued to be a unique period where extra school events have not been running and volunteering opportunities were somewhat limited due to the pandemic, we as PITCh committee, have heard your concerns on not being able to complete the required PITCh hours for this year. Normally at this time, we would be sending out emails to let all families know where they are at with hours completed and giving ideas on where they can make up their remaining required hours.

The Board has decided to waive the outstanding PITCh hours for families for this 2021/2022 school year (This means that no monies will be charged for incomplete hours for this school year). All PITCh forms submitted with credit card information for the 2021/22 school year have been shredded, and the office will follow up with families who submitted cheques. Present hours accumulated from the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years will be recorded to your Sycamore accounts. However no hours will be carried over for next year. In September the PITCh program will restart fresh and new for 2022/23 school year with the regular required volunteer hours per Timothy family: 25 hours for full time or 15 hours for part time (Kindergarten only and/or students in Christian elem. & Christian Highschool).

Thank you to all the families that participated and especially to those families who worked hard to put in their PITCh hours in a year when it was a bit challenging. We are so thankful for your dedication and yearly commitment!

If you have any questions about this year's hours or about the PITCh program in general, email us at <a href="mailto:timothypitch@gmail.com">timothypitch@gmail.com</a>.

## Bradford Greenhouses Fundraising Program in time for spring gardening!

Our fundraising program with Bradford is here! When you shop at Bradford Greenhouses (in Barrie or in Bradford) a percentage of the value of all sales can be directed towards TCS. This helps us purchase Bradford Greenhouse products for the Bazaar each year. **Before** the cashier starts to ring through your purchases you must mention that you would like your purchase to support Timothy Christian School. Thanks!



#### **COVID Guidelines**

Please continue to screen your child(ren) for illness. The link to the latest COVID screening tool can be found at the top of our school website homepage (<a href="www.timothychristianschool.ca">www.timothychristianschool.ca</a>). Answers about the required isolation period and list of symptoms can be found on the <a href="pdf">pdf</a> of the latest screening tool. We leave it to our parent to know the latest guidelines.

# **Pizza Days coming up:**

Please mark your calendar for the April Pizza Days:

Fri April 29 Fri May 6 Fri May 13 Fri May 20 Fri May 27 Fri June 3 Wed June 8 Fri June 17

Wed June 22



## From The re-Source Thrift Shop, South

- Donations needed! Please drop off gently used items during business hours (we currently cannot accept large furniture pieces, ex. tables and sofas).
- Volunteers needed! If you have a passion to support Christian education and love thrifting, we'd love to have you. Stop by the store or email resource.barrie@outlook.com.



# -TCS Lost & Found is overflowing... come take a look! -

## Earth Day April 2022

Last Friday each class spent some time outdoors cleaning up the neighbourhood and taking care of God's creation!



