TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

From the Principal …

February Parent-Teacher Conferences - THIS Wednesday, Feb 15th 4-6pm
February Parent-Teacher Conferences are optional. The instructions to book your conferences online through Sycamore were sent out via email on Saturday. If you need to reschedule your booking, or need assistance, please contact the office.

February
14 Wear Red/Pink/Purple/White Day
3:30pm-Boys Basketball Exhibition Game @ TCS vs. Minesing Public School
15 3:30-4:55pm Junior Sports Program
OPTIONAL Parent-Teacher Conferences
17 PIzza Day & TCS Colour Day
20 NO SCHOOL - Family Day Holiday
21 4:15pm-Girls Basketball Exhibition Game @ TCS vs. Cookstown
24 Pizza Day & TCS Colour Day
Grad photos
28 Last day for discounted EQUIP tickets
MARCH BREAK - Off Friday, March 10 to Friday, March 17

🚨 **PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Grade Seven Parents/students - Grad preparations for June 16**
This week we will be sending a letter to our grade seven parents asking for a team of volunteers to help with our grade eight graduation on June 16 for PITCH hours (a grade seven student's hours contribute to your family PITCH hours). Our grade seven parents and students traditionally help decorate and serve the graduation dinner. We will need a few parents to be key leaders to organize, other parents to help with the different tasks and the grade seven students to serve. We hope to have the key leadership team meet before March break. Are you creative, organized or just enjoy helping with exciting events??? We need you grade seven parents!

New Family Registration is now open for September 2023!
Do you know of any potential new TCS families who might be considering Christian Education this fall? Have them book a tour by contacting the office. **NOW is the time for new family registration at TCS** to avoid the disappointment of waiting lists which will likely start in mid-April. We already have one class full for September 2023. New family registration opened up on February 1st and we are processing the registrations over the next few weeks.

Please pass on to any perspective **new TCS families that enrollment for new students is open** for September 2023.

TCS Board Update
- Thank you to our TCS families for re-registering in such a timely manner!
- Also, thank you to our community for participating in the TCS survey!!
- TCS is participating in a discussion alongside Unity to evaluate a long term strategy for Christian Education in Barrie.

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Tuition Bursary Info

The TCS Bursary is now open and accepting applications for tuition assistance for the 2023/24 school year. If you desire Christian education for your children but are struggling to make your payments, please don't hesitate to submit an application. If you are considering applying for a TCS bursary, or have any questions, please contact Sheri Cantle, TCS Financial Administrator (finance@timothychristianschool.ca) **TODAY** as the first round of applications were due last Friday.

Hot Dog Days

Please mark your calendars for these hot dog days **:** Wed Feb 22, Mon Feb 27, Mar 6, Mar 20, Mar 27, Apr 3, Wed Apr 12, Mon Apr 17 & Apr 24.

Grade 7 & 8 Basketball

Our Boys' Team will be hosting an exhibition game vs Minesing Public School on Tuesday, Feb.14 @ 3:30pm. Go Knights!
Boys' and girls' basketball teams will practice after school on Thursday, 3:30-5pm. The basketball tournament will be on February 23.

PIZZA Days

Please mark your calendars for these Pizza Days: Feb 17, 24, March 8, 24 and 29.

Junior Sports Program - THIS Wednesday - Feb. 15th

Please remember, THIS week is the Junior Sports Program. Please mark your calendars for these Wednesdays: Wednesdays March 1st and March 29th.

EQUIP Worldview Conference - Have you got your tickets yet?



Alan Shlemon has dedicated his life to training Christians to thoughtfully articulate their faith and values. He realizes that when people are properly equipped, they're more confident about talking with others. Because they become more skilled in maneuvering in conversation, they're more effective at sharing their faith. Alan holds a Masters of Arts in Christian Apologetics from Biola University and has spoken to thousands of adults and students across the US. Alan works for Stand to Reason and he comes to us all the way from California. What makes his training unique is his ability to make complex issues accessible to anyone - adult or youth audiences. We are excited to have Alan join us on Saturday, April 1 to talk about some of the difficult challenges to the Christian faith, and help equip us to speak graciously to the people that God has placed around us. Come be equipped by Alan to answer the tough questions when they arise in conversation, and be ready to answer the questions your children will have as they grow up in the world in which we live! Invite your friends and family to join us! ***Early Bird tickets are available until February 28th and childcare and lunch options are available.***

Check out our website to see more information about the speakers and the topics, and to purchase tickets. Our hope is that our school and church communities would be ***equipped*** through this conference to help our students be

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transformed by the truth to stand strong in their faith! TCS families can get their tickets for a reduced cost, but only until Feb. 28th. **Ticket prices go up March 1** and childcare spots may fill up fast, so don't delay… get your tickets today!

There is **childcare available** on Saturday, as well as add on **lunch options**!! Coffee, tea, and baked goods will be available as well. Childcare for preschool (ages 0-4) will be offered on site at TCS. Childcare for JK-Gr.6 will be offered around the corner at Emmanuel Barrie for a day-camp format day. *Please note that childcare is available only for families attending the Saturday conference and that parents will be asked to pack snacks/lunches.*

Here is some information about ticket sales:



Tickets for the **Friday Night Youth Event are just $5**! Share this with your youth pastors and encourage them to purchase a block of tickets, or purchase tickets individually for students in Gr. 6-12. *See the event poster at the end of this newsletter.



The Early Bird Tickets for the **Saturday Conference are $25** until Feb. 28. Parents who have a child attending TCS can use the promo code "TCSFAM" to receive an extra **$10 off this price** until February 28th!
*See the speaker line up info at the end of this newsletter

You can add the following items onto your ticket price:

- Lunch (choice of wraps/sandwiches with chips and a drink)
- Babysitting (ages 0-4 will have limited spaces available at TCS, while JK-Gr. 6 will be hosted at Emmanuel Barrie for a day-camp format day). *Please note that babysitting is available only for families attending the Saturday conference and that parents will be asked to pack snacks/lunches.*

UPDATED PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: EQUIP Conference

We have had an amazing number of people sign up to help out during the Equip Conference. However we still have a bunch of volunteer positions that need to be filled in order for this event to run smoothly. At this moment we are in desperate need of volunteers to help with **Parking** and **Childcare. If you** are planning on attending the event, then don't worry! There are many volunteer positions that give you the ability to gain PITCH hours while also enjoying the conference. **Please click here and fill out the Google Form**. If you have any questions that are not answered in the Google Form, then you can email our Volunteer Coordinator Brianne Currie at **bri.sauder@gmail.com.** Note: If you would like to sign up for multiple volunteer positions, then **please fill out one form for each position.** (Example: to sign up for setup and childcare, you will need to fill out two forms)

Parking Crew - This role involves directing traffic in the parking lot, and also keeping the sidewalks clean.

Childcare - During the conference, we are providing childcare for all of those who are attending. We are going to need lots of extra hands to love on these children. We are also looking for some volunteers to take on roles such as Snack and Craft Organizers and Team Leaders.

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Setup/Takedown Crew - Setup will take place on Friday morning (March 31st). This will mainly include tables and chairs and Signage. The takedown crew will be responsible for cleaning up tables, chairs and sweeping the floor.

Youth Conference - The Youth Conference will take place on the evening of March 31st. We will need some volunteers to help supervise this event. This role will also include collecting tickets, and serving food or snacks and running games.

Welcome/ Registration Team - We are looking for some friendly individuals for this team. This role includes greeting everyone at the door, taking care of registration, directing people through the halls, and also helping out wherever we need an extra hand.

Baking - If you are not able to volunteer on the day of the event, we are also in need of some baked goods donations. These baked goods will need to be NUT-FREE and individually wrapped.

Food Service - We need a team of volunteers who are able to prep, serve and clean up during the lunch break. We will also need some people who are able to manage the bake sale.

Food Donations - We are in need of snacks and juice boxes for all of our kids in childcare on the day of the event. We are looking for store bought, NUT FREE snacks.

UNITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS - We have many positions that can be filled by students, (parking, childcare, food service) so if you have a Unity Christian High School student who is in need of some volunteer hours then please email Brianne at **bri.sauder@gmail.com**.

TCS Family Skiing / Tubing / Snowboarding at Snow Valley… Reserve tonight by 7pm for NEXT Thursday, Feb 23!

We will be skiing / tubing / snowboarding on Thursday nights this year: February 23, March 2 and 9.

Costs:

- Lift ticket and lesson is $21.
- Rentals are for skis or snowboard equipment and will be $19.
- Tubing is $19. (taxes included)

To reserve your tickets:

You MUST email Kathryn Cryer (bodybykat@hotmail.com) no later than 7pm on the Monday, **TEN DAYS** before you ski. Only email reservations will be accepted. Please be sure to include the following info in your reservation email:

- Number of lift tickets
- Number of rentals (ski or snowboard)
- Number of lessons (lesson times are at 4:30pm and 5:30pm)
- Number of tubing tickets
- Name of person picking up the tickets

All tickets must be picked up on the date of your reservation ***no later than 5:15pm with exact change*** (CASH ONLY). You will need to pick up your tickets from Kathryn in the chalet at the top of the stairs (look for the TCS sign).

Check out this link to order TCS Gear:
https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/

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🚨 **PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Scrapday Event & Golf Tournament**

If you are interested in joining the team to plan and coordinate the TCS Scrapday (scrapbooking event) and / or the TCS Golf Tournament (May 26), please contact the office: tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca. These are annual fundraising events at TCS and we want to continue to offer these if possible.

Bus reminder

Please remember to have students at their bus stop 10 minutes before their scheduled stop. This assists drivers in staying on schedule, especially in uncertain weather. Thank you!

How to record PITCH hours:

Recording PITCH hours is done via Sycamore. Here are the instructions for submitting them:

- 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 L6ogs”
- Click the blue button “New Log” in the top corner
- Complete the form choosing the appropriate heading
- Click ‘Submit’

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

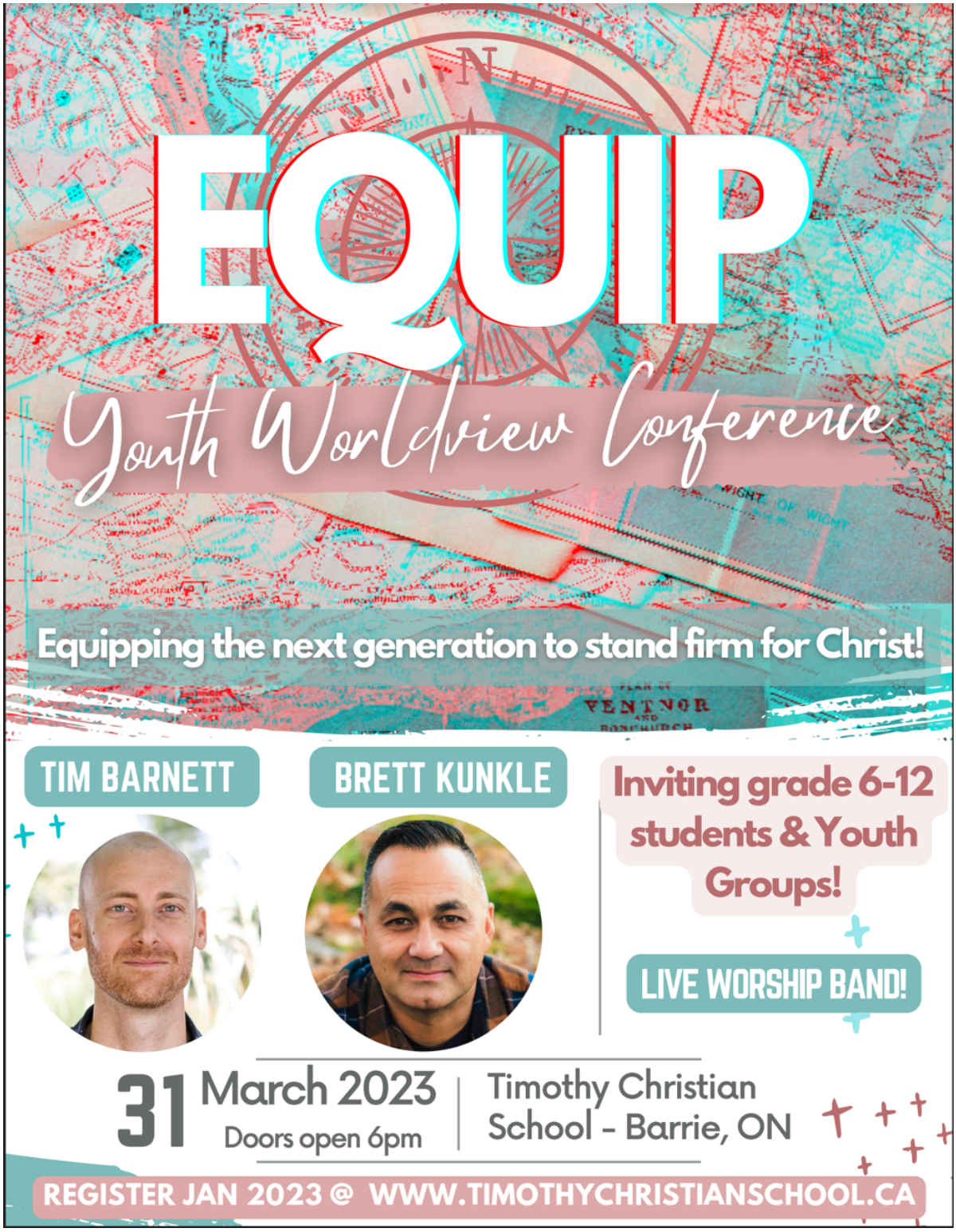
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- **Website:** https://timothychristianschool.ca/
- **Instagram:** @tcs_barrie
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