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Welcome Back to School!

We hope each of our families had a wonderful March Break and we look forward to great things happening at TCS over the next few months!

PD Day - THIS FRIDAY

A reminder from the September TCS calendar that this Friday is a PD Day for TCS staff and there are no classes. TCS staff will be working on Worldview curriculum, developing class projects that will be presented in May and curriculum unit changes for next school year. We are committed to making sure our Christian vision is strong and consistent at TCS and the curriculum is reviewed and updated on a regular basis to ensure students experience a very high quality at our school.

Easter holidays & Easter Chapel

A reminder that the Easter long weekend is Friday, March 29 to Monday, April 1st. Our grade four class will be hosting the Easter chapel NEXT Wednesday, March 27, at 9am. All parents are welcome to join us.

Two Teachers Hired for September 2024!

The HR team and TCS board are very pleased to announce we have hired two teachers to support the student growth next year.

- Lindsey MacAdam has been hired for a junior position next year. Lindsey has done a wonderful job as an EA in our Resource department for the past few years. She recently completed her teaching degree and is now certified with the Ontario College of Teachers. Lindsey brings a wealth of experience to the classroom from her time supporting the TCS resource department. She also brings a deep enthusiasm and passion to teaching.
- Hayden Cowie has also been hired for a senior teaching position at TCS. You will remember we hired Hayden as a part-time teacher last fall to cover teacher prep time in a variety of grades. Hayden is strong in worldview and brings strong student rapport to the classroom as a homeroom teacher.

Both of these new staff members bring a strong faith to TCS and will be great collaborators and team players on staff. We are very pleased to add these two quality teaching staff members to the team for September 2024.

Registration open for September 2024

TCS is now accepting registrations from new families for next year and we are filling up quickly! All student spots are now on a first register - first enroll basis. Spread the word to potential TCS families that now is the time to apply!

March Dates:

*No School **THIS** Friday,
March 22 as it is a PD Day!
** Easter Holiday is next week, No
School March 27 - April 1*

19 3:30-5pm Badminton Tryouts (gr 7 & 8)
20 Pizza Day
21 3:30-5pm Badminton Tryouts (gr 7 & 8)
22 **PD DAY - NO SCHOOL** (buses will be
running for Unity)
25 Hot Dog Day

26 3:30-5pm Badminton Tryouts (gr 7 & 8)
27 Pizza Day
9am Easter Chapel
3:30-5pm Junior Sports Program
28 3:30-5pm Badminton Tryouts (gr 7 & 8)
March 29 - April 1 Easter Holiday

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Board highlights from the March meeting

1. The board, Finance committee and administration have started the budget planning process for the 2024/25 school year. We greatly appreciate the commitment from our TCS families for next year and will be presenting the budget at our May membership meeting.
2. We are thankful to everyone who came to the Town Hall meeting on February 29. We encourage everyone to come to the next Town Hall which will be held in April. More information to come.
3. The TCS board approved an updated Accessibility Policy.
4. The board was thankful to approved both Mrs. MacAdam and Mr. Cowie for teaching positions at TCS for next year. We are grateful for the high quality teaching staff we have at TCS and are thankful to add two more top level teachers to our team.

Normal day at TCS on April 8 (Solar Eclipse)

The TCS board has decided to keep school a normal day on April 8 (the day set for the Solar Eclipse). Parents can choose to keep their children home if they wish that day or send them to school. TCS will run a normal day with lessons as usual for the students that are present. The only change to the day is the buses may leave 5 minutes late as the eclipse should be completed by 3:23 (students would then board the buses at 3:30 and leave at 3:35 or 3:40).

Celebrating Diversity and Cultures at TCS...and Celebrating Student Learning on May 22

On May 22 TCS will be hosting both Grandparents' Day AND Celebration of Learning (when our students present their projects to parents). This year we want to also add an **International Food Festival** to the event! Are you passionate about food from your home country? Is there a special food from your culture that you would love the community at TCS to experience? We have such a wonderful diversity at TCS that an international food festival is a special way to both understand the various cultures at TCS but also to experience them. Next week we will share more information. Next week we will be looking for a variety of cultures from different countries to step up and consider hosting a food table on May 22 after the celebration of learning event. Assisting with these events would be a great way to boost your PITCH hours!! Stay tuned for more information.

Junior Sports Program

NEXT Wednesday, March 27, 3:30 to 4:55pm will be our last Junior Sports Program for the current session.

Badminton - grades 7 & 8 boys and girls

Try-outs will be Tuesday and Thursday, 3:30 to 5pm THIS week only!

Once the team has been picked, practices will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays afterschool (3:30 to 5pm) as we prepare for the tournament, April 22.

**Unity Christian High School - Theatre Production of Little Women - April 19 & 20, 3 shows!**

TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE for Unity's Spring Theatre Production - 'Little Women'. Adapted from Louisa May Alcott's Classic Novel, "Little Women" is a timeless tale that follows the lives of the four March sisters — Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy—as they navigate the challenges of growing up, love, and loss during the Civil War era. Through their trials and triumphs, the sisters learn the true meaning of family, friendship, and the importance of staying true to oneself. Directed by Joanne MacKinnon and Melissa Pennell and produced by Staff & Students at UCHS.



Friday, April 19 @ 7:30PM AND Saturday, April 20 @ 1PM and @ 7:30PM



Ticket Prices: Adults \$15, Children (12 and under) \$10, Seniors & Secondary Students \$12

To Buy Tickets: Call the school at 705.792.6915 or email info@unitychristianhigh.ca

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TCS Spring Market May 25

Plan on coming for breakfast, shopping at the giant yard sale and farmers/artisan market! Book the day with friends & family too!!

... Donations for the garage sale are needed: Our first donation drop off date for the Spring Market's Giant Garage Sale is coming up on **Saturday, April 6 (9am - 11am) at Secure Storage (800 Essa Road Barrie)**. No worries if you miss this date, we have two more drop off times on April 24 and May 18! Items we are are looking for include:

- Health & Beauty Products
- Clothing & Accessories
- Games, Hobbies & Sports
- Home Decor & Furniture
- Miscellaneous
- Kitchen & Dishes
- Toys & Baby
- Tools & Hardware
- Pets

... Donations of syrup are needed for the pancake breakfast: We are looking for donations of pure maple syrup for the Pancake Breakfast. If you are a local maple syrup producer and able to donate syrup, please contact the spring market committee at springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca. Store bought donations are also welcome and may be dropped off at the office.

... Calling all Vendors to our TCS Spring Market!

Know a farmer, baker, crafter, artisan or small business owner interested in selling their goods at our TCS Spring Market on May 25? Our Farmers/Artisan Market is looking for vendors! Please email springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca and we'll send you a vendor package and the link to our Spring Market Vendor application.



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School Calendar

The school calendar can be found on the TCS website (www.timothychristianschool.ca under Events), on Sycamore, and at [this link](#).

TCS School Calendar

Logging PITCH hours

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!).

If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact pitch@timothychristianschool.ca

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES:

Remember that Grandparents can help boost a family's PITCH hours!

- **GRADE 7 parents & students - Please complete the grad volunteer form that was emailed before the break as planning is underway for grad!**
- Spring Market - stay tuned for a list of help that will be needed
- Also, we will be looking to boost our **Landscaping Team**... we are looking for a family or two to take over the front garden. A long supporter of TCS has now past his 90th birthday and is finding it too difficult to keep up with our garden. Please contact Mike Huitema, TCS Caretaker, mandbhuitema@hotmail.com if you can help.

Thank you for building community at TCS by lending your time & talents!

From The re-Source Thrift Shop South

The re-Source Thrift Shop is looking for donations of gently used clothing and housewares. Please drop them off at the shop during office hours: Mon-Thu - 10am - 5pm, Friday - 10am - 4pm, and Saturday - 10am - 5pm.

Click this QR Code for the re-Source Thrift Shop volunteer package



re-Source Thrift Shop
Barrie South

Bus information:

Please be sure your child is at the bus stop 10 minutes early. Feel free to contact Landmark Bus Lines Barrie (our bus company) anytime the buses are on the road to check with dispatch on a bus' ETA. Landmark's contact: 705-722-6666.



**** TCS is a nut-free school. Please be sure all snacks/lunches do not have items that contain nuts! Thank you!****

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