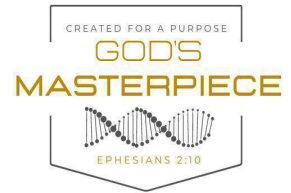


April 14, 2025



TCS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



**For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph 2:10**

Good Friday and Easter Monday this Weekend and TCS Chapel on Wednesday

This weekend we remember Jesus dying on the cross and then celebrate the gift of the victory over sin! We encourage all our TCS families to attend Easter Services at church and trust you will be blessed as you join in celebrating the victory over sin and the life changing gift of the cross! A reminder that there is no school this Good Friday or Easter Monday.



Mrs. Nikkel's grade 5 C class will be hosting our Easter chapel THIS Wednesday at 9:00, and we welcome extend the invitation to join us!

Grandparents Day Invitations going home this week for May 7!

TCS parents: *on Wednesday students will be bringing* invitations home that are to be handed to your child's grandparents to invite them to our TCS Grandparents' Day. We will also send a digital invite to all parents this week that you can share with grandparents. See this newsletter for more information, and look out for the invitations this week!

Grandparents Day, Celebration of Learning and the TCS International Food Festival...May 7

Please make sure **May 7** is highlighted on your calendar! *There will be a lot happening that day.*

- **Grandparents' Day:** 9:30 to 12:15pm. PITCH help needed, see below.
- **Celebration of Learning:** 5:00 to 6:30. It will be a wonderful time as students present their projects to visitors and share their Christian perspectives about their project.
- **TCS International Food Festival:** 6:30 - 8:00. A great sampling of food and cultures that make up our TCS community and the body of Christ!

May 7 will be a very exciting day!!



PITCH OPPORTUNITY: Needing a Hot Lunch Leadership Team...for next year

TCS parents, we need a few people to step up for the Hot Lunch team for next year! We have a few ideas that were suggested and would like to try them next year BUT, we need two or three dedicated parents to join Rachel Kapteyn to be the leadership team for this. You can earn PITCH hours for your participation! If you are interested, please contact Rachel (davidandrachelkapteyn@gmail.com) - our dedicated TCS parent who runs the Hot Dog Program).

Update from the TCS Board

From the TCS April Board meeting:

- The Trinity Unification Steering Committee joined the recent TCS board meeting in April to provide an update on the plans surrounding the amalgamation of the two schools. Presently, the new constitution is being finalized and will be presented for a vote at the Spring Society Meeting.
- The board is looking forward to the Spring Market Fundraiser and encourages everyone to plan to attend - Come early for the Pancake Breakfast!

April dates:

15 Gr 7 Immunization Clinic
Battle of the Books-Go KNIGHTS!
Dress Up Day: Twin Tuesday
3:30-4:55 Badminton Practice

16 9am Chapel
PIZZA DAY
17 **Dress Up Day: THROWBACK THURSDAY**
3:30-4:55 Badminton Practice

EASTER WEEKEND
No School - Good Friday April 18 & Monday April 21
23 HOT DOG DAY

- The 2025/2026 School budget is being finalized and will be presented at the Spring Society Meeting.
- The board thanks the re-Source Thrift Store for its ongoing support. We encourage our community to shop, donate, volunteer, and support this valuable organization!

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Grandparents' Day Baking & Volunteers Needed



1. We are looking for some parents to help set up tables and chairs for Grandparents' Day on May 6, 3:15 - 4:30. We are looking for 3 helpers. *Grades 7 & 8 students can sign up and earn PITCH hours for their families. [Please click here to sign up to help set up on Tuesday, May 6.](#)
2. We are also looking for 2 parents to help decorate on May 6, 3:15 - 4:30pm. [Please click here to sign up to decorate on Tuesday, May 6.](#)
3. **BAKING NEEDED:** If you would like to earn PITCH hours baking for Grandparents' Day, [please click here to let us know what you will be baking.](#) We are looking for baking that can be eaten with fingers only: squares / cookies / bars / tarts, and is NUT-FREE. Please label your baking (with your name in case we need to investigate ingredients, and label if it is dairy-free or gluten-free). Baking is to be dropped off Tuesday, May 6 (3:15 - 4pm) or Wednesday, May 7 by 8:45am.

Spirit Week Dress Up Days Coming Up

Hello TCS! Your Spirit Team has two more fun spirit days for this week. Last week was super fun! We can't wait to see what you put together for this week's spirit days!

April 14-18

- **Twin Tuesday (April 15th):** find someone to dress alike with
- **Throwback Thursday (April 11th):** dress up like a past time era

We hope that these spirit days will be community building, fun and encouraging! A reminder that the dress code still applies on these days. We hope you enjoy participating!

Yearbooks 2024-2025

Your yearbook team is busily putting the final touches on the yearbook and we're so excited to share pictures of the 2024-2025 school year with you! We've had a wonderful year and the pictures show the many events and activities that have taken place across the classes. Yearbook order forms are coming home this week. **The cost per book is \$30 and orders are due May 1st.** Order details:

- Please ensure you print the full name of your child and his/her class clearly on the form, and attach payment (*cash or cheque*) to the form itself, or put both the form and payment into an envelope with your child's name on it and return it to your child's classroom teacher.

Also, we still have a few sponsorship pages available if you are interested in sponsoring a yearbook page. Finally, congratulations goes to Bellamy Stephenson for her winning art that will be featured on the front cover of the 2024/2025 TCS Yearbook!

Spring MacGregors Fundraiser Meat Orders Grades 7 & 8: ORDERS DUE by APRIL 29



Our annual spring grade 7 & 8 fundraiser kicks off this week! [Please click here to see the list of delicious meats available.](#) You will want to fill your freezer to prepare for the summer BBQ season AND don't forget to treat Dad/Grandpa/Uncle to some meat for Father's Day!! 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 29th. Meat will be delivered for the grade 7 and 8 parents to pick up at the school on May 22nd.



April 2's PIZZA DAY has been rescheduled to April 30

Last day for TCS Gr 8 Families to reserve a spot in grade 9 at Unity Christian High School

Unity Christian High School is filling up quickly, with inquiries happening daily.

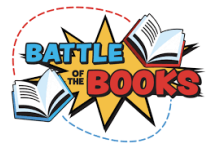


Continue your investment in Christian Education through High School, by enrolling your child(ren) at Unity Christian High School. ***We encourage you to complete an application and return it to the Unity Office by April 15th to reserve a spot for the 2025-2026 school year.*** As a partner school, TCS families will be given priority status until this date. A waiting list will be put in place once capacity is reached. Applications are available on the website www.unitychristiahigh.ca or by calling 705-792-6915. Spread the word!!

Badminton Practices (gr 7 & 8): Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30- 4:55pm. Please be sure to make pick up arrangements for after practice before the school day starts. Thank you!

Battle of the Books Competition Tomorrow

Please join us as we cheer on our Battle of the Books Teams as they compete tomorrow at People's Christian Academy in Markham. GO KNIGHTS GO!



Grade 7 Immunization Clinic #2: TOMORROW

Grade 7 parents: To those students who received their first set of immunizations in the fall, this is your reminder that the follow up clinic will be tomorrow, Tuesday, April 15. If you have any questions about this clinic, please contact Kim at the Health Unit at Kimberley.Lafreniere@smdhu.org

Avoiding Common Mistakes When Preparing Your Will – Free Webinar

Our Christian School Foundation is offering an opportunity to join a free one-hour webinar titled "Avoiding Common Mistakes When Preparing Your Will" on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 7:00PM. This event will cover how to avoid common mistakes when preparing or updating your Will. The event will provide important steps to make a plan that protects your family and resources that make Will planning easy for you. Join this no-cost webinar and access information that is helpful, timely and valuable. You will not want to miss this opportunity. Register for the webinar with our Foundation - the Christian School Foundation: www.christianschoolfoundation.ca/events.

Bradford Greenhouses Fundraising Program

It is that time of year again when the Bradford Greenhouse Fundraising Program kicks off - APRIL 15 to OCTOBER 15! Please shop for all your gardening and lawn supplies, and even home decor, at Bradford Greenhouses (in Barrie or Bradford), as a portion of your shopping total can support TCS. Before the cashier starts to ring through your purchases, please mention that you would like to support Timothy Christian School's fundraiser. These funds are used for our Christmas Bazaar Auction and Greenery Arrangements. Thank you in advance for shopping to support TCS!



** PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Sign Up to Volunteer for the International Food Festival!**

The International Food Festival is coming up, and we need your help to make it a success! We're looking for volunteers to:



Bring food to share



Help serve during the event



Assist with setup & takedown

If you'd like to help, please sign up using the link below.

[Please click on this link for more information on our International Food Festival and to sign up!](#)

TCS Spring Market & Pancake Breakfast

The TCS Spring Market & Pancake Breakfast is returning on Saturday, May 31, 2024. Come for a delicious pancake breakfast, stay for the Spring Market and Artisan Workshops! Family, Friends, and neighbours, all are welcome at this community event. **Admission to the Spring Market is free.** See the full poster on the last page of this newsletter to share with friends & family.

- Tickets for the Pancake Breakfast will be available for sale online and in person on the day of the event.
- Tickets for the Artisan Workshops will be available for sale online in advance of the event.

All net funds raised from this event will go towards the development of Timothy Christian School (TCS) student life.

Ways to Support:

→ **Sponsorship:** Looking to raise awareness and exposure for your business or brand? Consider sponsoring an element of the TCS Spring Market & Pancake Breakfast (see next page). If you are interested in one of these sponsor packages, please reach out to the committee at springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca.

Package	Quantity Available	Element to Sponsor	What's Included
Platinum (\$2000)	1	Pancake Breakfast	• Prominent signage • Social Media post • Running ad during breakfast • Free Vendor Table • Radio ad • 8 tickets to pancake breakfast
Gold (\$1500)	1	Junior Maker Market	• Signage • Social Media post • Running ad at breakfast • Free vendor table • 6 tickets to pancake breakfast
Gold (\$1500)	1	Artisan Market	• Signage • Social Media post • Running ad at breakfast • Free vendor table • 6 tickets to pancake breakfast
Bronze (\$500)	SOLD	Student Entrepreneurship Contest	• Judge of contest • Social Media post • logo on communication of contest • 2 tickets to pancake breakfast
Bronze (\$500)	3	Artisan Workshops	• Social Media post • Logo on workshop signage • 2 tickets to pancake breakfast

→ **Participate as a vendor at the market:** We are excited to offer an opportunity for new and past vendors to participate in our Junior Marker Market or Handmade/Artisan Market in the following ways:

- ◆ **Handmade/Artisan Market** - a market for artisans of handmade crafts and local goods celebrating the talents of local makers, offering one-of-a-kind handmade goods that reflect passion, skill, and the beauty of artisanal craftsmanship. From intricately designed jewelry to hand-woven textiles to locally crafted woodwork, our market showcases the diversity of talent that thrives in our community. Vendors we are looking for include but are not limited to: flowers, baked goods, food, honey, maple syrup, crafts, artisan, pottery, handmade, shop at home (Avon, isogenix, etc), etc. **To apply to be a vendor in the Handmade/Artisan Market please complete this application link:**

[TCS Handmade/Artisan Vendor Application](#)

- ◆ **Junior Makers Market** - a market for students/kids (age 5-17) to showcase their creativity, entrepreneurship, and talents. **To apply to be a student vendor in our Junior Makers Market please complete this application link:**

[TCS Junior Maker Market \(Gr JK - 12\) Vendor Application](#)

For additional information, you can download the **TCS Spring Market Vendor Info Package**. Early bird discounts are available until April 10 for the Handmade/Artisan Market only. Space is limited so apply now.

◆ Student Entrepreneurship Contest



→ **Teach an Artisan Workshop:** Calling All Creative Experts – Lead a Workshop at Our Spring Market!

As we gear up for our exciting Spring Market, we are looking for talented volunteers to lead workshops in the following areas:

- Painting
- Friendship Bracelet Making
- Spring Wreath or Floral Arrangements

If you have experience, a passion for teaching, or simply a talent in any of these areas, we would love for you to share your skills! All volunteers will earn hours towards your PITCH hours.

Please fill out the form below to let us know what skill you would like teach at the market:

<https://forms.gle/SYHiuH7utESBvZ1w8>

We can't make these workshops happen without volunteers stepping up to lead. If you're interested or know someone who would be a great fit, please email: springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca

→ **PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Volunteer your time & Earn Pitch Hours (for TCS families)**

Sign up to be a volunteer and earn pitch hours for your time: [Volunteer Sign Up Form](#)

Thank you to everyone for your support of this much-anticipated event. We look forward to seeing you on May 31st. Spring Market & Pancake Breakfast Committee: Deanna Faris, Melanie Faris, Christy McGee, Ruth Tan, Kristine Kang

re-Source Thrift Shop South needs your donations - Please donate after your spring clean out!

Our re-Source Thrift Shop (Address: 28 Commerce Park Dr Unit B, Barrie behind Mapleview Walmart) needs donations to keep their shelves stocked and their financial donation commitment to TCS strong! Please consider donating gently used items to the store during business hours (10 am to 5pm). If you are wondering if they are able to take a certain item, please call [\(705\) 735-0444](tel:7057350444). Donating to the re-Source Thrift Shop, Barrie South, benefits us all in reducing tuition and enhancing our student learning opportunities!



Bus information: Landmark Bus Lines Barrie (our bus company): 705-722-6666. Parents, please feel free to contact Landmark for an ETA on a bus at any time.

NEW INITIATIVE for the TCS Bazaar... Triangle Rewards Fundraiser

Please consider donating your Triangle Rewards Points to the Bazaar. Earn points with the Triangle Rewards Program every time you shop at places like Canadian Tire, Sport Chek, Pro Hockey Life, Party City, Atmosphere, Petro-Canada and Mark's Work Warehouse. Then, to donate your points,



please **call Triangle Rewards Customer Service at 1-800-226-8473**, and ask to Transfer your points to account number **6365-7477-0431-8148**. Points can be transferred at any time of the year and any points given to the school will be used towards the Annual Christmas Bazaar and Auction. Please note there needs to be a minimum of \$5.00 in rewards to be able to make the transaction.

Families, remember to check the number of PITCH hours you have submitted!

There are a few BIG events left this year that will need your help & you can earn your required hours! Check the calendar for these dates and plan ahead to help out with Grandparents' Day, International Food Festival, Track & Field, Spring Market, Grade 8 Grad, and others!

Hours will need to be completed by June 20 to meet your PITCH requirements!

Logging your PITCH hours

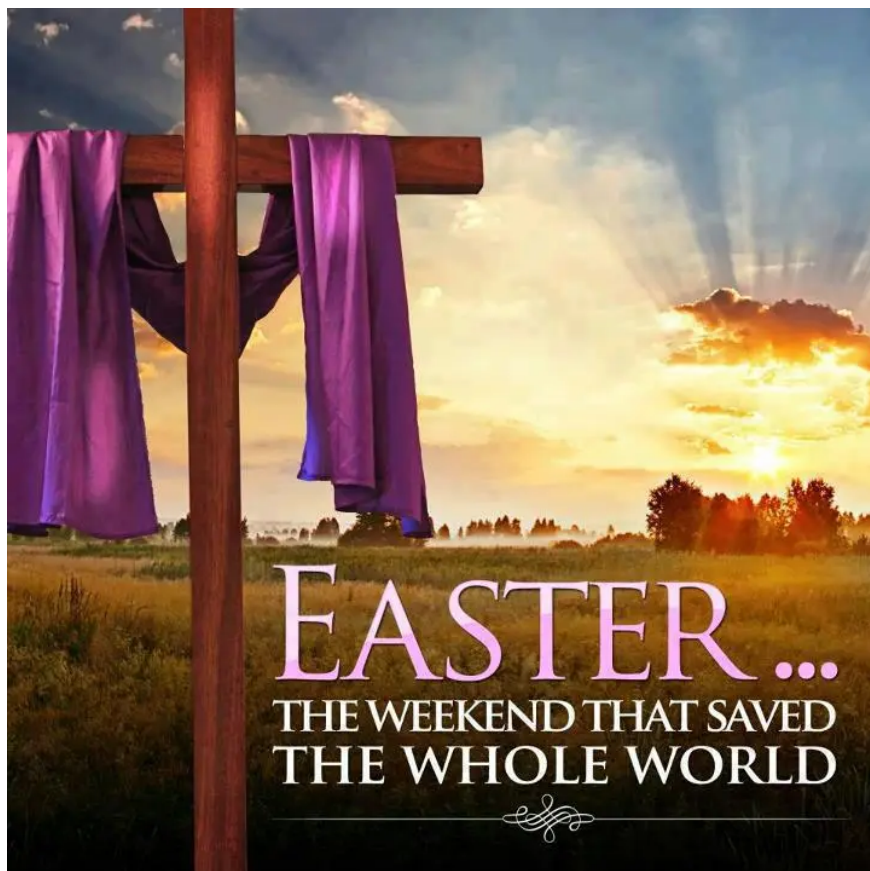
Please be aware that it is each family's responsibility to track and log their own PITCH hours. To enter your hours, please follow these instructions:

- Log onto Sycamore (TCS School Id: 3982), On the left side click "My School", "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.

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





Spring MARKET & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY MAY 31 | 9AM - 2PM

TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 750 ESSA ROAD, BARRIE



PANCAKE BREAKFAST



JUNIOR MAKER MARKET



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