



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**

Grandparents' Day, Celebration of Learning, and International Food Festival on May 7

If you have not circled May 7 on your calendar yet, *please do!*

Grandparents' Day celebrations will be 9:30 to 12:15. Invitations will be sent home soon so your child(ren) can hand it to a grandparent. When you talk with your child's grandparents over the next few weeks, please let them know that TCS is looking forward to celebrating them on May 7 and that they will need to register for the event - RSVP details will be on the invite.

Celebration of Learning will be 5:00 - 6:30. This allows many of our parents who commute to make it home for this event. It will be a wonderful time with students presenting their projects to visitors and sharing their Christian perspective about their project. All students are to attend this event.

TCS International Food Festival will be 6:30 - 8:00. It is a great evening! We get to sample food from many different cultures and appreciate the wonderful body of Christ/community we have at TCS! Circle the date of May 7...it will be a very exciting day you won't want to miss!!

Grade 7 parents and students...helping with Grade 8 Graduation on June 13

Last week we met with several grade seven parents who will lead the volunteers to support the decorations and dinner (serve and clean up) for our grade eight graduation dinner and ceremony. Many hands make light work and we do require about 15 plus of our grade seven students and a team of 10 - 15 grade seven parents to help with this event (students can earn PITCH hours for this event). [*If you are a grade seven parent that has yet to sign up, OR has not signed up your grade seven student to help yet, please do so by clicking this link.*](#) A huge thank you, in advance, to the wonderful parent leadership team we met with last week! We are certain that your efforts will make our grade 8 graduation a great celebration this year!

Last Monday's Hot Dog Day (March 31) has been rescheduled to THIS WEEK Wednesday, April 9

Last Wednesday's PIZZA DAY (April 2) has been rescheduled to April 30

Spirit Week Dress Up Days Coming Up

Hello TCS! It's your Spirit Team here! We have a really fun spirit event coming up... A spirit week! However, instead of doing one full week of events, we will be spreading it out over 2 weeks.

April 7-11:

- **Wacky Hair and Wardrobe Wednesday (April 9th):** create crazy hairstyles and mismatched outfits.

April dates:

8 3:30-4:55 Badminton Practice
9 **HOT DOG DAY**
Dress Up Wacky Hair & Wardrobe

10 3:30-4:55 Badminton Practice
11 9am Chapel - Hosted by gr 5
PIZZA DAY
Dress Up Formal & Friendly Friday

14 **HOT DOG DAY**
15 Gr 7 Immunization Clinic
Battle of the Books-Go KNIGHTS!
3:30-4:55 Badminton Practice

- **Formal and Friendly Friday (April 11th):** dress up formally and/or share encouraging messages to those around your class and school.

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!

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

Meat Order Fundraiser

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.



Calling all Grade 8 TCS Families

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!

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.

Grade 7 Immunization Clinic #2: April 15

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 Tuesday, April 15. If you have any questions about this clinic please contact Kim at the Health Unit at Kimberley.Lafreniere@smdhu.org



PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Kiss & Ride Lane each afternoon (15 mins PITCH each day!)

We are looking for a parent to help at the Kiss and Ride Lane at the front of the school each afternoon. This is a 15 min commitment (3:20 to 3:35pm) each afternoon. In one week you can earn 1.25 PITCH hours. Please contact the office if you can help.

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

This is a great way to celebrate our school's diverse community and enjoy amazing food together! 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**

Hey Junior Bosses! Got a business idea?

This is your chance to shine! Join our contest and show off your creativity. Big ideas start small - let's see what you've got! Contest Application deadline is Friday, April 11. Applications can be picked up from the TCS office or downloaded at the link [here](#). Also, thank you to our sponsors, Tim Corney Wealth Management - RBC Dominion Securities and Landmark Environmental Group Ltd. Flyers will be coming home with students this week.



→ **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

All volunteer interactions need a current Vulnerable Sector Screen (Police Check)

All volunteers doing volunteer PITCH hours at school (or with a class off site) will need a current Vulnerable Sector Screen (VSS) on file in the office. TCS considers a VSS to be current if it was done within the past 3 years. TCS will provide a letter that can be used to support your online application with your local police department so the screen will be done at no charge. If you have had a check done in the last 3 years, please forward it to the office.

TCS School Directory: Family & Employee

Remember you have access to all our TCS family contact information as well as our TCS staff emails in Sycamore. Log in to your Sycamore School account via <https://app.sycamoreschool.com/index.php?schoolid=3982>. You will find the family and employee directories under "Front Office" in the menu. You can see family contact info (that they have consented to sharing) or you can print this by clicking the blue "PRINT" in the top right of the page.

TCS Community... re-Source Thrift Shop South needs donations!!

Our re-Source Thrift Shop (Address: 28 Commerce Park Dr Unit B, Barrie behind Maplevue 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!



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.



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.

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!

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



ARTISAN/HANDMADE MARKET



ARTISAN WORKSHOPS

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT?



SPONSORSHIP OF ONE OF THE EVENTS



PARTICIPATE AS A VENDOR AT THE MARKET



TEACH AN ARTISAN WORKSHOP



VOLUNTEER & EARN PITCH HOURS

