December 9, 2024

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

TCS Christmas Program THIS Thursday at 7:00



A reminder that our JK - 8 all-school Christmas program is THIS Thursday at 7pm and *every student has a part in it!* Please make every effort to have your children at the concert. We understand that in a very rare situation an illness may keep a student/family away. Our choirs and bands sound much better when they are full! few details:

- **** 6:50 all students need to be in their home classrooms to get prepared ****
- Doors open by 6:30 (If you come early you are in charge of your children until 6:50 as classroom doors don't open until then)
- Students will be in their classrooms prior to and after their part of the program
- Parents can pick up their children from their classes right after the program is over
- *YES*… we are planning on running the Christmas program this Thursday as the weather looks very good (*a few flurries only on Thursday!)*

Early Dismissal on Friday, December 20 (Last day before the break).

A reminder that we have an all school skate at the Peggy Hill Rec Centre next Friday from 12:30 to 1:45. All the times and details will be in the newsletter on Monday. Some key things to keep in mind:

- Parents, to help us with our planning, please complete this form for each of your children so staff are aware of your child's participation and transportation plans for that day. Please complete the form by Tuesday, Dec 17
- Parents of primary students, please make every effort to join us for the skate (or send a grandparent or other family) we rely on the extra support to help keep our youngest students safe on the ice
- Safety note: the rental contract with the city clearly stated that there will be *NO strollers or boots on the ice* (due to liability issues and danger of slip and fall)
- ***All students must wear a bike or hockey helmet if they want to skate on the rink***
- ***All students must have skate guards on their skates and their skates must be in a sports bag*** (not a plastic bag) for safety reasons. Think skates on the bus and bumping others.
- All staff and students will be at the arena with no one left at the school (if your child does not skate please be sure to pick them up at 12noon at school before we all head to the rink)
- All students will be on buses to the arena unless their parents pick them up and drive them
- If next Friday buses are cancelled we have paid for the rink rental already and it will be 'come if you can and have a family skate' for parents, staff and students who can make it to the rink



Key December dates:

11 7am Hockey Tryout Thornton
PIZZA DAY (from Fri Dec 6)

THURSDAY DEC. 12 @ 7pm
Christmas Program
*students in classes by 6:50pm

13 PIZZA DAY
16 HOT DOG DAY
18 7am Hockey Tryout

20 9am Chapel
12:15-2pm Family Skate
2pm EARLY DISMISSAL

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From the TCS Board

Highlights from our TCS December board meeting:

1. We are amazed and so thankful for an incredible turnout to the 2024 annual Bazaar. It was wonderful to see so many supporters, alumni and past and present families. We are thrilled to announce **a record breaking year with $72,800 raised!** This represents a 33% increase over last year's bazaar. T*hank you very much to all the volunteers and supporters for so freely bidding and supporting TCS!*
2. The Timothy Christian School Board wishes everyone a blessed and Merry Christmas!
3. A huge thank you to those who have already sent in funds for the new school build. If you wish to donate already to the new school please feel free and clearly mark (for new school build on your cheque).

Community News

Our condolences to the North family: Jeff & Jessica, Brody (SK & Tues-Thurs Kindergarten) and Luke (JK & Tues-Thurs Kindergarten) on the loss of the boys' grandfather!

Hot Lunch Updates



THIS Wednesday, Dec 11 is the Pizza Day rescheduled from last Friday's snow day. We will also have pizza THIS Friday as a regular scheduled Pizza Day. There is NO pizza next week! **Today's Hot Dog Day will be rescheduled to NEXT Monday, December 16.**





Library News This coming week will be the last class visits for signing out new books until we return in January. Please take time over the holidays to check around your house for any overdue books so we can get a full library ready for the kids in the new year. Three cheers go out to our amazing team of mom-librarians who keep things running so smoothly!!!

Year-end Donations for TCS and/or Trinity Christian School (TCS & Unity Integration)

Looking for a place to donate before December 31st? Consider TCS for your December donations before the year-end. ***Donations for 2024 must be received by the school no later than end of day Friday, December 20th or etransferred to finance@timothychristianschool.ca (password: school) no later than Dec 31, 2024.*** Please note, hand delivered envelopes in January, or January postmarked envelopes, will be designated for 2025. Do not mail your donation while there is no postal service. And please clearly mark the intent of your gift. We deeply appreciate your support!

LAST DAY to order Gift Cards …. Unity Christian School Fundraiser



Are you or your company planning to purchase Gift Cards for Christmas? Unity Christian High School has a wide selection of Gift cards available (grocery, gas, retail, restaurants) for purchase. Please consider supporting Christian Education as you do your Christmas shopping… OR any shopping for that matter! Every gift card raises a certain amount of funds for the school so please contact the Unity office for details and a list of current retailers: info@unitychristianhigh.ca. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or e-transfers. Don't delay, orders placed before Dec. 9th are guaranteed to be available by Dec. 17th for pick up at TCS.

Lost & Found

Please drop by to look through the Lost & Found as it is full!



****Remember TCS is a nut-free school. Please be sure all snacks/lunches are nut-free!****

➡ TCS Family Cookbook



We are so excited to create the First Annual TCS Family Cookbook! Our goal is to gather special Family Recipes from all of our TCS families and combine them together into a book that will be sold at the International Food Festival this coming spring. Please feel free to send in any recipes you would like to share. We would love to hear about your family recipes passed down through generations, your traditional meals or desserts for special occasions, or even just your simple "go-to" meal ideas. We would love to include any family stories or photos that go along with your recipe.

Please CLICK HERE and fill the TCS Family Cookbook Google Form.

If you have a LEGIBLE paper copy of your recipe, and do not wish to rewrite all of the information onto the google form, you may choose to add your photo onto the google form. If your recipe is handwritten, then please make sure the printing is LEGIBLE or else we will not be able to use it.

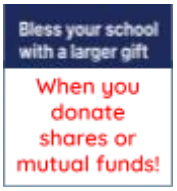
Check out this link to buy TCS clothing: https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/

Shop for Christmas gifts! Show your TCS school spirit and wear black, gold, grey or your TCS gear on Fridays! The teachers have put in their order and they will be looking sharp! Come on TCS Community… Let's show our spirit and wear our TCS gear, gold, black, white or grey!

NEW INITIATIVE for the TCS Bazaar… Triangle Rewards Fundraiser

We have a new way that you are able to give to the school by donating your Triangle Rewards Points. 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. If you wish to be part of this initiative and donate your Triangle Reward Points to TCS, 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.

Share some Shares, save some taxes!



Have you considered donating shares, mutual fund units, or stocks to Timothy Christian School in 2024? You will eliminate the capital gains tax, receive a full donation receipt, and even better, have a greater influence on our culture in the name of Christ! Get the wheels in motion today by contacting Kevin teBrake at our Christian School Foundation: ktebrake@christianschoolfoundation.ca.

Unity Christian High School Grade 12 Class Fundraiser



The grade 12 class is selling Koreana Fir Trees from ***Frasers Christmas Trees***… Please consider ordering your tree November 16 to December 13 by scanning this QR code. You will pay Frasers Christmas Trees when you pick up your tree. Frasers Christmas Trees will donate $20 from every Koreana Fir sold to the grade 12's in support of their grad trip. Thanks in advance for your support of Frasers Christmas Trees! See the poster on the next page for more information about the Koreana Fir trees, the fundraiser and the pick up details.

SCAN ME

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

Mark your calendars: Unity Christian High School SCRAPBOOKING DAY Jan 11, 9am to 8pm





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.

Grateful to...

FRASERS CHRISTMAS TREES

SCAN ME

For supporting the UCHS Grade 12 Grad Trip

Christmas Tree Fundraiser

Unity students will be taking orders for Koreana Fir Christmas Trees starting at the Timothy Christian School Bazaar on Nov 16th until December 13th.
$20 from every tree sold will go directly to the UCHS Grade 12 students' grad trip!

Order by scanning the QR code and filling out the google form.

Unity student will meet you at the Frasers Christmas Trees Barrie location on November 23 or December 14, to drill, shake and carry your tree to your vehicle. Payment is to be collected by Frasers Christmas Trees on the date of pick up, no pre-payment is necessary. You will be contacted through email to remind you of your selected pick-up date.

Koreana Fir's are known for their wide, rounded bright green needles with silvery-blue undersides that glisten in the light and have excellent needle retention!
Koreana trees retail for $89!

Follow FRASERS CHRISTMAS TREES ON INSTAGRAM OR FACEBOOK

Frasers Christmas Trees Barrie Lot

4904 County Rd 90