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TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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TCS Christmas Program, "A Night Like No Other"

Please join us this Thursday evening for our Christmas program. Please note the times below and pass these on to whoever will be attending the program.

Let's celebrate, as a TCS community, the wonderful gift God gave us at Christmas time. Note the following times:

6:30pm—front doors will be open for the program

6:30-6:45pm—Parents monitor their own children until classrooms are open by teachers.

6:45pm—Teachers open classroom doors and students monitored by staff in their homerooms

7-8:00pm—TCS Christmas program

Students in JK—grade 5 are asked to dress in their Sunday best, and grade 6-8 band students are asked to wear their band shirts with dark pants.



Lunch Duty Parents for TOMORROW, December 14

Harvest Bible Chapel has offered to bring in lunch for the staff on Wednesday so we are looking for 1 more parent who can do yard duty that day so the staff can have lunch together. Please let Mrs. Nibourg know if you can help out from 12:30-1:10pm!

DECEMBER

- 14 Hockey Tryout & **Pizza Forms Due**
- 15 Christmas Musical ****NOTE DATE CHANGE****
- 16 Pizza Day
- 19 Hotdog Day
- 20 Grade 3 to Ferndale Greenhouse & **Crazy Christmas Sweater Day**
- 21 Hockey Tryout, **Visitor's Day**, & Pizza Day
- 22 **Candy Cane Day** & Gr. 8 Christmas Banquet
- 23 Family Skating & **2pm Dismissal from Holly CC**
- 24-Jan. 8 Christmas Holidays

All School Skate—Friday, Dec. 23 from 12:30-2pm

Just a reminder to all TCS parents of our annual all school family skate on December 23 at Holly Community Centre. **Students in JK—Grade 4 require hockey or bike helmets in order to participate. This is mandatory for JK—grade 4.** As well, all skates must have skate guards on or come in a sports bag to protect from blades (not a plastic bag). For safety reasons we have booked 2 rinks: One rink for students in JK-grade 3, and one rink for grades 4-8.

Here is the schedule for the last day, Dec. 23rd:

- 9:00—Christmas Chapel (All are welcome)
- 11:50—Early lunch for staff and students
- 12:15—Grades 5-8 bus leaves for skating
- 12:45—JK-Grade 4 bus leaves for skating
- 12:30-2:00—All school skate (**Hockey or bike helmets mandatory for all JK-4 students**)
- 2:00—Early dismissal from Holly Community Centre for home. Either parents pick up and check in with Mrs. Goodnough, or go home on the buses.

WE WILL BE DISMISSING BUSES AT 2:00PM FROM THE HOLLY ARENA. There are never very many students on the bus, so the routes go extra quick. PARENTS, PLEASE PLAN TO PICK UP CHILDREN 1.5-2 HOURS EARLY FROM THEIR BUS STOPS IF YOU AREN'T PICKING THEM UP AT THE ARENA.

Parents and teachers attending the skating event, please help us with reminding students to be safe re no sitting on the floor to put skates on, being careful with where we walk with our skates and helping those who are just learning to skate to be really careful re falls etc. We want a fun time and a safe time on the rinks on Friday afternoon.



Divining Deeper by Faith

"Now **faith** is **confidence** in what we hope for and **assurance** about what we do not see." ~ Hebrews 11:1

Snow Day Clarification - Typo in email on Monday

On Monday morning the email sent out had a typo regarding the buses. If you had checked the Simcoe County website (www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) at 6:15am Monday morning you would have noticed that out of the four bus zones, Simcoe had cancelled buses in three of the zones which resulted in our bus company, Sinton, canceling all five of our buses. Going forward the email to parents on snow day mornings will simply state "Sinton has cancelled the buses therefore school is cancelled at TCS" to keep the message clear.

Guidelines for Snow Fun at TCS

A reminder of the following guidelines for enjoying the snow at school:

- Parents, please remember to send snow pants to keep clothes dry.
- No snowballs on TCS property (too many students not looking that could get hurt/too many ability levels)
- No tunneling in the snow hills (parents, we know you understand the importance of this guideline and how very critical it is to hold to this)
- Hockey sticks: Mini-sticks in grades JK—2, grades 3-4 can use bigger mini sticks and grades 5-8 can use the full size hockey sticks.
- Toboggans, shovels or crazy carpets: we as staff ask that these very fun toys **be kept at home**. When the hills get larger students quickly get hurt when they race down the hills and hit other students in their paths.

Parents, thank you so much for your support on the above guidelines. We try hard to keep the fun in the process and keep safety at the very highest level in all areas. Thus, a few reminders and guidelines go a long way to safety.

Homework Highlights

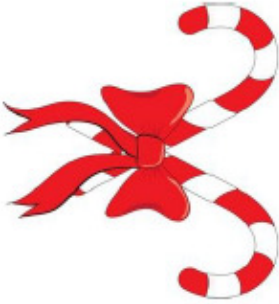


Grade 4

- Wed. Dec. 14 MW - Ruth 1: 16, 17 (written)
- Fri. Dec. 16 No spelling test
- Tue. Dec. 20 Skeletal System Quiz (Health)
- Thu. Dec. 22 Christmas Spelling Quiz (10 words)

Grade 5

- Wed. Dec. 14 Grammar test on Unit 2: Sentences MW: Luke 2:9-14 (fill in the blanks)
- Fri. Dec. 16 Literature projects due

Grades 6-8 Homework info is available on Schoology.

 <p><i>Thursday, December 22</i></p>	 <p><i>Wednesday, December 21</i></p>	 <p><i>Tuesday, December 20</i></p>
<p>Candy Cane Day</p>	<p>Visitor's Day</p>	<p>Crazy Christmas Sweater Day</p>
<p>Wear red, white, or green to dress up like a candy cane with us!</p>	<p>Dress up as one of the people or animals that might have visited baby Jesus in Bethlehem! There are so many options!</p>	<p>Time to grab your crazy Christmas sweaters and wear them like you've never worn them before!</p>

Countdown to Christmas

Before School Supervision

A reminder to parents that supervision for students is provided outside the school (around the back in the fenced area) from 8:30-8:45am before school starts, but not inside the school.

There will always be three or more TCS staff on outside duty in the morning to meet the students coming off the buses and the drop-off students but because teachers are often in meetings, using the computer lab, or photocopying before school starts, we ask that students not come directly into the school but instead to go around the back of the school where they can be monitored.

Thank you for your support with this. Student monitoring and supervision for safety is of our highest concern and we want to make sure your students are in the right areas to ensure safety. We want to avoid a student coming to an empty classroom when the intended supervision is outside. On the school front, we will remind students of this should they forget and enter the school in the mornings.

Hotdog Day Make-Up Day—JAN. 16, 2017

There will be a make-up hotdog day for yesterday's missed day on MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2017. This is the SECOND Monday back to school after Christmas holidays. Thanks!

Condolences to Dio & Ingrid Long

We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Dio Long's mother last week. This is a grandmother to Valeria in grade 2. Please be praying for peace for the Long family through this difficult time.

PITCH

Scrapday—January 21, 2017

Hey you.....yes, you....we need YOU! We need volunteers to help set up for Scrapday on Friday January 20 in the evening, and work in the kitchen and out on the event floor on Saturday January 21, and clean up after the event on Saturday evening! We have a variety of time slots so even if you can only dedicate part of your day we can find a place for you! We will also need donations of soup, chili and baked goods. Watch for more information in the New Year but in the meantime, please contact Catherine Delenardo, Kiersta Hazlett or Christina Fairchild if you are able to help! You can also reach us through our Scrapday email at scrapday@timothychristianschool.ca

You may report your hours by email to timothypitch@gmail.com or by filling out the paper forms on the info table in the school office.

Scrapday

What's that sound? Is it a bird, is it a plane? No...it's the sound of Scrapday tickets selling at super-fast rates! This event is so popular that we can't keep tickets in house! **This event runs from 9am-8pm on January 21st and tickets are \$45.** If you aren't going to attend to scrapbook, why not volunteer to make this event great?! Please look in the PITCH section to see how you can help! And why not go through your closets and donate any paper-crafting tools, embellishments, paper, etc. to the Garage Sale which will run during Scrapday. Items can be dropped off at the office to Kiersta Hazlett's attention.

Pizza Forms (Due Dec. 14)

Forms were attached to last weeks newsletter. **These forms are due on Wed. Dec. 14th.**

Leftover Bazaar Items for Sale—by Donation

There are a number of Christmas arrangements and flowers for sale at the school. If you are interested, please come in and make us an offer! We would love to get rid of these plants before Christmas holidays! Make an offer! Poinsettias, Christmas Cactus & Cyclamin are still available.



INSPIRE BURSARY CAMPAIGN

Our goal is \$250,000 - join us!

Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact, you are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11

NEWS UPDATES

Check out inspiretimothy.ca for details.

Old iPhones

We are looking for old generation iPhones that can be used as iPods for in class learning and research. This is an on going collection in hopes we can facilitate a whole class learning environment. If you have the charger for them too that is very helpful. Any passwords also need to be disengaged so that we can access and refresh the programs on the phone. Please bring them to the office and leave with Robin. Thanks so much.

Open Dates for Rentals at TCS September 2017:

As you may be aware, Harvest Bible Chapel is in their last year with us and they plan to move into their new building by August 31, 2017. **This means there will be a rental opportunity for a new church at TCS starting September of 2017.**

New Yearbook Format: Sponsors/Advertisers needed

This year we will be working closely with Lifetouch Photography. Mrs. Covert and a team of students will work with Lifetouch to publish this year's memories.

Sponsorships and advertising are available now and will reduce the final overall cost. Please contact Mrs. Covert or Mrs. Roberts if interested.

Collecting Resumes until January 7th for a One Year Administrative Assistant Position at TCS Starting in March 2017

Our plan is to hire for this one year maternity leave position by February 1st with overlap training being done in February. Please address your resume to Rod Berg before December 31st and hand in at the TCS office (tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca). This is a full time one year maternity leave.



Coffee and Prayer Time—Monday Mornings

Please feel free to join us, any week that you can, for a coffee/tea and a time of prayer on Monday mornings from 9-10am in the staff room. Babies and pre-schoolers welcome! If you are unable to join us but have a prayer request, please email Isabel.back@gmail.com and we will add your request to our prayer list.

Unity Christian High Presents "Breath of Heaven" Join us for our annual Christmas concert featuring Unity's choir, concert band, and praise team on Wednesday, December 14 at 7:30pm. Senior choir students will be selling bracelets from www.bigvillage.ca to raise funds for their Senior trip to PEI in the spring.

Re-Source THRIFT SHOP Hours

Regular hours for the store are as follows:

Sunday—CLOSED

Monday—CLOSED

Tuesday—10am-5pm

Wednesday—10am-5pm

Thursday—10am-7pm

Friday—10am-5pm

Saturday—10am-5pm

The store will be CLOSED at 1:30pm on Friday, Dec. 23 until Monday, January 3rd and will reopen Tuesday, January 3rd.