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# TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Being Thankful for So Much! Happy Thanksgiving to all TCS Families.

On behalf of all the staff we want to wish all of our TCS families a wonderful Thanksgiving this weekend. We have much to be thankful for and hope our families take the time to reflect deeply on God's blessings to us!

## Reminder of Staff Professional Development Day this Friday, October 9th—No Classes

A reminder to our parents that in our school Year at a Glance, the TCS staff have a professional development day set for this Friday, October 9th. Over the past few years we have connected this to the Thanksgiving weekend to allow families a longer weekend with family.

This Friday the TCS staff will be working in three groups developing a TCS Grade 8 Graduation Profile, a JK—8 list of common vocabulary for Project Based Learning/ Growth Mindset and reviewing our Family Life program in JK—8.

All three documents will go through the administration team for review and editing then will be presented at the Program Committee for final approval later this fall.

**There will be no school for students on October 9th.**

## Finance—NSF Fee

As of September 1st, all cheques given to the school that are NSF will incur a \$25 fee—no matter what the cheque is for. Thank you!

## **OCTOBER**

- 5—Cross Country practise after school (until 4:30)
- 7—Cross Country practise at lunch, Pizza Day & Gr. 3/4 Swimming
- 8—Thanksgiving Chapel & Soccer Tournament
- 9—PD Day (NO SCHOOL)**
- 12—Thanksgiving Day (NO SCHOOL)**
- 13—Cross Country practise after school (until 4:30)
- 14—Gr. 3/4 Swimming
- 15—Cross Country in Owen Sound
- 16—Pizza Day
- 21—Gr. 3/4 Swimming
- 22—Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 23—JK & SK class trip, Split Chapel & Pizza Day
- 26—Parent-Teacher Conferences

## Cameras Recording the TCS Parking Lots 24hrs a Day

You may have noticed several cameras were installed last Spring at certain locations of the school along with blue signs on all the fence entrances as well as on all double doors informing visitors that all areas are now under 'video surveillance 24 hrs'. Last week the 2nd level of security was installed with cameras now recording activity as far away as the street that runs along the side of the school and all parking lots around TCS.

The board approved this last spring as an added security feature to ensure any visitors are aware of the fact that their time on TCS property is now being recorded.

The school added this security level to the present process of the sign-in of all visitors from 9:00 - 3:00 and all doors being locked at all times with the front door being the only exception as it is monitored at all times by the office staff.

## Remembering and Thankful for Anne Huitema—A Long Time Supporter of TCS

This morning the staff at TCS was informed that Anne Huitema passed away Sunday night from cancer. Many of our TCS families know Anne as a long term supporter of Christian Education in Barrie both for TCS and Unity. We often saw her, and the wonderful team of ladies she worked with, each spring and fall working on the school flower gardens making sure they looked great. Anne was a grandparent who attended many of the TCS events and was a wonderful supporter of the school often keeping an eye on TCS over the weekends, as she lived just across the road from the school.

Anne is the mother of Mike Huitema, who is the caretaker of TCS. Please keep Mike and Bernice and family in your prayers as they prepare the funeral arrangements for later this week. The school will email out the details as we are informed.

## Parent-Teacher Conferences—Sign up Now!

Mrs. Nibourg is now booking conferences! Conferences run on Thur. Oct. 22 and Mon. Oct. 26 from 4-9pm. Sign up with Robin in the office or by email to [tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca).

**One Way—His Way ~ Proverbs 3:5-6**

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight."*



### Bus Routes

Thank you for your patience with the busses as the kinks get worked out. **NEW BUS ROUTES WILL BEGIN TOMORROW, TUESDAY, OCT. 6 AND WERE EMAILED HOME LAST WEEK, AND ATTACHED TO TODAY'S NEWSLETTER EMAIL.**

### **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. We pray for the school and the needs of the extended TCS Community. Babies and pre-schoolers welcome! If you are unable to join us but have a prayer request, please email [isabel.back@gmail.com](mailto:isabel.back@gmail.com) and we will add your request to our prayer list.

### Soccer

The tournament is this Thursday, Oct. 8! The tournament is at the Barrie Community Sports Complex on Nursery Road. Further details will be emailed home. With many thanks to our parent coaches: Mike Borgert, Heidi Scholten-Purinton, Nathan Robertson, and Vanessa Graham. Details regarding KBS games next week will follow.

## **PITCH OPPORTUNITIES**

### **From the PITCH Committee**

At TCS we have a board mandated program which requires all families to "pitch in" by committing to 25 hours of volunteer service each school year. Thank you to those who have submitted their completed PITCH forms for this school year. A reminder to those families who still need to fill a form out to please send that into the office. Also, please do start reporting any hours to the PITCH Committee as soon as you complete them; that way we all stay on track for keeping record of hours completed. Each hour must be recorded, including task and date completed. (This is to abide by guidelines set out for charities/nonprofits) You may report your hours by email to [timothypitch@gmail.com](mailto:timothypitch@gmail.com) or by filling out the paper forms on the info table in the school office.

### **Volunteers Needed for Life Movie Night Fri. Oct. 16**

Come on out and join the volunteer team for a great community event! We come together as a team and have fun in the process. We are looking for volunteers as **parking attendants** and **clean up crew**. Some other jobs may include: Ticket sales, seating guests and helping with the snack table. We're all looking forward to a great evening! **Please contact Michelle Roberts at 705-726-6621x228 or [mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca).**

### Cross Country

The North Toronto District Cross Country run is being hosted by the Christian School in Owen Sound on Thursday, October 15th, so the cross country run will take place in Owen Sound this year. We are still waiting for the agenda for the day, so we don't know exact times for the races. **WE WILL BE LEAVING TCS BY BUS AT 8:00am** to arrive at the venue by 10:30, for the walk around of the course. Timothy T-shirts will be given to all team runners next week. Our best estimate for our expected arrival time to TCS will be around 5:00pm. Please let me know if you are planning to ride the bus with the teams. All participants need to bring a lunch and water, as well as to dress appropriately for the weather. Practices are: Mon. Oct 5 from 3:30-4:30  
Wed. Oct. 7 at lunch  
Tue. Oct. 13 from 3:30-4:30

### **Phone Directory Changes/Additions**

Directories were sent home last week and a few changes/missed pieces which should have been included/changed. Please add the following to your directory for future reference:

In the list of staff members: **Michelle Roberts, our Development Director. Her email address is: [mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca) and phone extension is 228**

Note: Sorry Michelle—second year in a row that we missed you. Michelle came halfway through the year two years ago and both years we missed her in the update at the start of the school year.

Dave & Lori Johnson moved:  
611 Mount St Louis Sdrd W  
Hillsdale, ON L0L 1V0

Sameh Yassa & Farah Jozif moved:  
14 Purbrook Ct.  
Barrie, ON L4N 5C5

### **Student Council is Ready to Roll!**

Now presenting...the 15/16 TCS Student Council: Ethan Devries, Mary Grace Kloosterman, Owen Miller, Jeremy Dykstra, Bethany Vanderboon, and Chloe Pelzer.

This team will be getting right to work this week on planning out our yearly events. October's event details will be coming in your next newsletter, so stay tuned because it's going to be a real "hit" (hint, hint). We're looking forward to a year full of lots of fun and school spirit!

### Re-Source Thrift Shop—South Update

We are hard at work to get the new Thrift Shop ready for opening day and we are on the hunt for the following items:

**Slat Board**                      **A desk**  
**Laundry Tub**                    **Shopping Carts**  
**A rug (5x8 or 8x10)**           **Paint**  
**Billy Bookcases (white, IKEA)**

If anybody has any of these items lying around please contact Lidia Van Zyl at 705-727-2718. Please note that **we are not accepting donations yet**, but please hang on to those unwanted gems as we will be ready for them pretty soon!

### Great Wolf Lodge, 2015

A block of rooms has been reserved during the Fall PA days. Discounted rates are available for the dates of Oct. 29-31. Room rates start at \$174.99/night and our group booking code is 1510CHRI\_001. To book your room go to: [www.greatwolf.com/niagara](http://www.greatwolf.com/niagara) or call: [1-888-878-1818](tel:1-888-878-1818). Booking deadline is Sept. 29, so reserve early to avoid disappointment. For further information, please contact Tammy Veld - [rtveld96@gmail.com](mailto:rtveld96@gmail.com) or call/text: [905.745.5609](tel:905.745.5609)

**Calling all parents of Grade 7 & 8 students!** Are you wondering about educational options for your child when they enter high school? UNITY DAY IN BARRIE is the perfect opportunity for your child to check out Unity Christian High School. Tues. Nov.3 from 10—2, students in grades 7 & 8 are invited to the annual open house at the school. Students will visit classrooms, meet teachers and be involved in interactive activities. Lunch and snacks are provided. We look forward to seeing your children!

## Homework Highlights

### **Grade 4**

Wed. Oct. 7      Swimming  
Thur. Oct. 8      Spelling: Unit 4  
                         Science Test: Birds  
                         No Memory Work this week  
Tue. Oct. 13     Bible Test: All About the Bible  
Wed. Oct. 14     Swimming  
Thu. Oct. 15     MW: Hebrews 11:1 (oral)  
Fri. Oct. 16      Spelling: Unit 5  
Thu. Oct. 22     Preparing David Busby Lunches

### **Grade 5**

Tue. Oct. 6      Spelling: Unit 3  
                         Quiz: Adding & Subtracting  
Thu. Oct. 8      Thanksgiving chapel - Grade 5 in charge  
Wed. Oct. 14     Social Studies Test on Government  
                         French Test: Review (days of week, months, numbers 1-100, date, seasons, weather)

Thu. Oct. 15     Grammar Test: Unit 1 Vocabulary  
Tue. Oct. 20     Quiz: Sign of the Beaver chap 11-15

### **Grade 6**

Thu. Oct. 8      Spelling Test: Lesson 4  
Thu. Oct. 15     MW: 1 Peter 5:6-7  
                         Phys. Ed: Baseball Quiz  
                         French Test: Review (days of week, months, numbers 1-100, date, seasons, weather)

**Grade 7 and 8** parents please note: All assignments, tests and homework related items for grade 7 and 8 will now be found on Schoology (online homework program for grade 7 and 8). The grade 7 and 8 teachers will be sending information to all grade 7 and 8 parents informing them how this will work for the upcoming year and how parents can check in.

FROM THE CREATORS OF **GOD'S NOT DEAD**

PUREFLIX PRESENTS

# DO YOU BELIEVE?

A COMMUNITY MOVIE EVENT  
AT TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN BARRIE

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH 7PM**

TICKETS AT THE DOOR: \$5/ADULT, \$2/CHILDREN UNDER 12



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