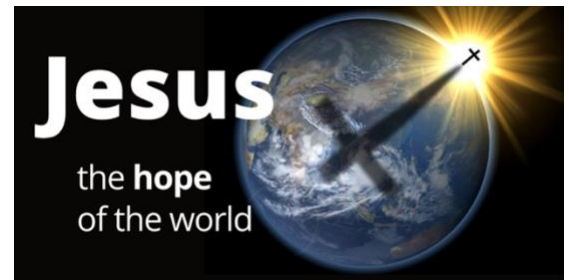




TIMOTHY

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal ...

Walking Shoulder to Shoulder as a community out of COVID...united we stand!

There is a sad and powerful story in the book of Judges, chapters 20 and 21, that explains a war between Israel and the tribe of Benjamin. The most powerful phrase is in Judges 21:6 that reads, "Now the Israelites grieved for the tribe of Benjamin, their fellow Israelites." The infighting had caused a considerable amount of damage and pain and that one verse sums up how the community at that time felt about what had happened. They reflected on all of it and...they grieved the loss of their brothers, the division and the brokenness of the community that they loved.

Reading this in my devotions this week caused me to reflect on the past two years and the great divide between the vaccinated and the non-vaccinated and the pro-mask and the anti-mask. **We have a wonderful and powerful community at TCS** and the link that unites us all is the powerful word of God and our passion to see our children taught from a Christian worldview. It is why we sacrifice to pay tuition and make this all work...to see our children *stand in awe before the Father every day as they engage in a Christian perspective in all things.*

As a TCS staff and TCS Board of Directors we have grieved the divide over the past few years. We long...*from the bottom of our hearts...*to lock arms again, stand side by side, care deeply for one another and see our wonderful community walk out of this season with a renewed sense of unity and vision! This short devotional is a call to walk side by side and continue to care deeply for one another as we step over the finish line of this season... together!

What does that look like? Grace!

As restrictions loosen up... Grace.

There will be many who will choose to keep masks on long after they are lifted because they feel safe. Can we make sure we show understanding and care to one another as the comfort zones of each family will be very different?

There will be others who will hesitate engaging and still wish to social distance when talking...can we show a deep understanding without any judgment?

Still there may be other families who might even hold off sending their children after masks are lifted until they feel good about the situation...can we reserve comments...in love?

Can we also prepare our children to support their fellow classmates as we prepare for different comfort zones in the classroom?

We are not there yet...but I believe we have the strength in community at TCS to prepare for and care deeply for one another when restrictions are lifted.

Side by side...shoulder to shoulder...we are united by the phrase of our TCS vision statement... *"Inspire children to be alive in Christ!"*. A battle cry worth shouting from the mountain tops!!!



MARCH

9 Pizza Day

11-18 March Break – NO SCHOOL

25 PD Day – NO SCHOOL

1 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." – Romans 15:13 NIV

Have a Wonderful March Break!

On behalf of the TCS staff, have a wonderful March Break!! A reminder that school ends this week on Thursday (at the regular time of 3:25pm) and the break includes this Friday and all next week. Also, a reminder of the PD day on the first Friday after the break, Friday, March 25th as it comes up quickly.

**Spread the word... TCS is accepting applications for September 2022!**

February and March were full of tours for potential new families. It is exciting to meet families and walk them through the school and tell them about what TCS has to offer and how we live out our vision. Please spread the word that we are accepting applications for September enrollment and we have tour times available for April. Now is the time for applying to avoid class wait lists.

SPRING INTO READING

TCS Library Opening Soon

In preparation for the library to re-open we are asking all families to please look at home for any TCS library books. We are excited to dust off the books and put the library back together and “spring into reading”!

**Update on TCS Speeches**

TCS Speech presentations went well! Our grades 6-8 competitors are ready to compete in TCS Speechfest and will present again this week. Congratulations to ALL our speakers who have worked so hard to write, memorize and recite their speeches over the last number of weeks! It has been wonderful to see the creativity, hard work and unique spin you each have put into your speeches. Well done!



**Pizza
Days**

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming Pizza Days:

Wed March 9

Wed March 23

Fri April 1

Fri April 8

Wed April 13

Fri April 22

Fri April 29

**From the PITCH Committee**

We have received some questions regarding the PITCH program for this school year, and so wanted to provide some communication to the TCS Family. For families that are worried about completing the required 25 hours, please know this is an area that the TCS Board is mindful of and will be making final determinations about PITCH hour obligations within the next couple of months. With the anticipation of regulations lifting there may be opportunities for families to get involved and complete their pitch hours this school year. The Board will continue to monitor this situation and will soon determine if it is necessary to defer PITCH for another year. In the meantime, if you are looking for pitch hour opportunities, the Fundraising Committee,

Policy Committee and Finance Committee are all looking for members. If you would like to be involved on one of these committees, please contact the office for more information. Please remember to report your hours through our Sycamore portal for the pitch committee to track. Thank you!

Yearbook Advertising and Sponsor Opportunities

YEARBOOK

As we put together our 2021-2022 yearbook, we are looking for page sponsors! The cost per purchasing a yearbook will decrease based on the amount of sponsors. This ad will run along the bottom edge of a yearbook page stating, "This page is sponsored by the _____ family or your business name." If you'd like to be a part of this opportunity, please email agronfors@timothychristianschool.ca indicating who is sponsoring the page and make your cheque payable to Timothy Christian School indicating it is a yearbook page sponsor. The price for a per page sponsor is \$30. If you would like to donate toward the yearbook production (without a page sponsorship), gifts \$25 or more may be eligible as a charitable donation. Deadline is Friday March 25. The more sponsorships and donations received means a lower cost per book! Thanks for your generosity and we can't wait to show you our 2021-2022 Yearbook!

YEARBOOK

SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY

- \$30 per page sponsor
- Contact Ms. Gronfors (agronfors@timothychristianschool.ca) with your sponsor request so it can be properly noted in the yearbook
- If you would like to make a donation toward the yearbook production (without a page sponsorship), gifts \$25 or more may be eligible as a charitable donation
- Cheques Payable to Timothy Christian School
- Friday, March 25 deadline



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Recent group work:

Students writing speeches, practicing speeches, creating a Venn Diagram about Black History, practicing letters and writing, posing for a picture and working on math projects. Even the kindergarten penguins were hard at work!



BETTER TOGETHER

