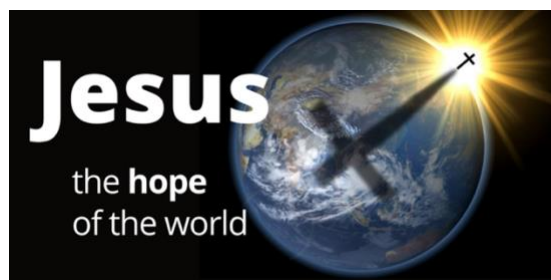




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CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal ...

Welcome to the McGee family!

- Jesse & Christy McGee: Izzy (1), Henry (3) and Molly (4)

NOTE: New Families

TCS New Family BBQ on September 23 @ 5:30 - 6:30pm (replacing the 'All School' BBQ)

Normally we have a full school BBQ each September with all our TCS families invited. This year, however, there are limitations to outside gatherings to under 100 people, so we are making the BBQ a new family, staff and board members evening which will keep us under the limit. New parents to TCS this year - you will get a personal email invitation to the BBQ this week and we ask that you please confirm your attendance by replying to the email. We hope to have our normal all family BBQ next year when the guidelines are lifted.

New Parents - How are your children settling into life at TCS?

New parents - we need to hear from you! Please send a two/three line email by the end of this week updating us on how each of your children are doing. We want to know how the first week and a half has gone for each new student and how they are settling into the school community at TCS. Please send this by THIS Friday to Mr. Berg, principal, at rberg@timothychristianschool.ca and this will be forwarded to your child's teacher as well. We care deeply for each of our new students and want to ensure they are settling in well.

Fire Drills and Lockdown Drills at TCS

Heads up to our TCS parents we had our first Fire Drill last Friday and will have our Lockdown Drill this Friday at 11:00am. We try to give parents (especially our primary parents) a forewarning of these drills so parents can process this at home with their children to explain it and provide support. Please note that our teachers will also talk through these drills with our students as well. We will have several Fire Drills this fall to get back into routine.

TCS will be a Polling Station for the Federal Election on September 20th

For years TCS has been a polling station for the federal elections and this year we will again be a site. Next Monday, September 20th (federal election day) you will see additional personnel hired to guide voters, provide security and do extra cleaning. The extra people will be in the front area of the school guiding voters to the gym and out again (restricting access to the educational wings). Note that voters are only

September

16th Thurs – NO new parent orientation
 17th Fri – Lockdown Drill
 20th Mon – Federal Election polling @ TCS
 22nd Wed – Picture Day
 23rd Thurs – 5:30pm New Family BBQ
 29th Wed – Terry Fox Run *donate online

allowed access through the front doors into the foyer and the gym. Our students will be staying in the educational wings for this day but still going outside for recess. We will have special precautions and protocols in place for the day.

Thank you and Goodbye to Michelle Roberts



This week we say goodbye and a huge thank you to our Marketing/Development Director Michelle Roberts who has been part of TCS for the past 6.5 years. Michelle's last day at TCS will be this Wednesday. We are grateful for her good work at TCS and wish her God's blessings in her next position. We will miss her fun nature and encouragement!

Cleaning Volunteers Needed at TCS

Are you looking for PITCh hours? We need a reliable and consistent team of two parent volunteers at each lunchtime to do an extra clean of door handles around the school. We need these volunteers to arrive at 12:30, start with the common areas of the gym and front area of the school, then do the classroom doors after the students exit for lunch recess and be out of the educational wings before students enter again at 1:07. The time commitment will be 30 minutes. We have a small team started but we need a few more people. Can you help? Please contact the office to let us know which day you can help consistently.



Terry Fox Run 2021

Our annual school run for the Terry Fox Foundation will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday, September 29. We're excited to have the entire school running and walking together around the track at the same time this year! Students are invited to wear their favourite red and white Canadian gear for the day. All fundraising will be done as a whole school online again this year. Donations can be placed by clicking on the following link to ensure that it goes towards our school goal of \$1,000: <http://www.terryfox.ca/TimothyCSBarrie>. Feel free to invite friends and family of the TCS community to donate using this link as well.

Thank you in advance for helping us to do our part in keeping HOPE alive for finding a cure for cancer!

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Student COVID Screening



Please remember to screen your children for COVID 19 symptoms prior to sending them to school each day. Here is the link to the screening tool you are to use <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>. Please read over this link again and be aware of the symptoms of COVID-19 and check with your doctor, Telehealth, or the health department when in doubt. We understand that some of us suffer from allergies or even colds this time of year so please be sure to screen so we can be extra careful.

Board Highlights from the August Board meeting

- Again, this year your TCS Board of Directors brought in a staff member from Edvance Christian Schools to lead our full board in a 1.5 hour New Board Orientation. We have done this each year to keep our TCS board focused on the key areas of a quality school board. Our
- Our three new board members are Tanya Thomas, Tyler Ing and Nolan Hooper.
- Your Board is very excited to welcome back families, students and staff to this new school year.
- The TCS Board approved the hiring this summer of Andrew Atkinson (grade 7) and Amber Warren (team teaching in grade five). We are very blessed to have both staff members at TCS this year. Amber is a TCS



alumni who has been on our TCS supply list for the past few years. Andrew taught at TCS last year in grade five and we are delighted to have him back in grade seven this year.

Orange Shirt Day - October 1st for TCS

As part of indigenous awareness and the recognition of all that has happened in the residential schooling system, TCS students and staff will be participating in Orange Shirt Day. It is happening Canada wide on September 30th, but we would like to do it at TCS on October 1st. That way we can have it on the Friday and include JK and SK in this day. On October 1st each class will be participating in a lesson that helps create awareness and understanding of indigenous issues in Canada.

Thank you Re-Source Thrift Shop South!

A huge thank you to the Board of Directors of the Re-Source Thrift Shop South for their monthly donations to TCS - we so greatly appreciate it! We have been receiving monthly tithes of from 3 - 7 thousand a month from the thrift shop and it has been such a huge blessing to TCS.

