



# TIMOTHY

## CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal ...

### **TCS staff growing and learning at the Convention last week!**

Your TCS staff had a *very enriching time of professional development* at the Christian School Teachers' convention at Redeemer University last week! The keynote speakers were actually the two authors of the book "Flourishing Together: A Christian vision for Students, Educators and Schools" that many of us leaders are studying this school year.

Authors Lynn Swaner and Andy Wolfe led keynote sessions on the following areas that lead to flourishing schools:

**Purpose** - the importance of clarity and strong vision for schools

**Resources** - the importance of human resources and physical resources to support teachers as they teach students

**Learning** - remembering that schools are places of learning

**Relationships** - the importance of community and connecting well together

**Well-Being** - the importance of the emotional health of both students and staff at a school

They reminded all of us that the above areas support educators who teach students. When educators flourish, it leads to deep and engaging environments for students to then flourish. Students are the heart of these communities and our goal in education is to see our students flourish in their connection with God in all things! The authors did a wonderful job of unpacking each of the above areas and continually challenged our schools to keep growing in the above areas to push our schools to flourish! There were over **1300 Christian school educators at the convention** at Redeemer University and it was very powerful worshipping with a group so connected in vision!

### **TCS School Apparel - Last day for 15% off!**

We are very excited to have launched our very own online apparel store! We've had a number of TCS families and staff members place orders this past week and we're eagerly awaiting the arrival of our new TCS gear! Please note that today is the LAST day to take advantage of 15% off the entire stock of apparel so if you've been waiting to submit your order, today is the day! See the last page of the newsletter for more details.

### **Thinking of High School on the Horizon?**

We have two events coming up that will help our TCS parents and students in grades 7 and 8 start to think about attending high school.

1. **Unity Christian High School is hosting Unity Day TOMORROW, November 1st!** Unity Day is a high school information day that all our grade 7 and 8 students will be attending. See the poster at the end of this newsletter.
2. TCS is hosting a **High School information evening on November 24 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.** This presentation will give parents a chance to hear from Unity staff and from Brad Young, a guidance counselor from a public school.

### October

- 31 LAST DAY TO ORDER Dutch Store items  
LAST DAY for 15% TCS Gear

### November

- 1 Unity Day  
9 Progress Reports go home  
16 & 18 Parent-Teacher Interviews (Info to follow)  
18 NO SCHOOL (PD Day)  
24 6pm Highschool Presentation  
7pm Membership Meeting

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**TCS Christmas Bazaar Saturday, November 19th**

**ONLY THREE WEEKS UNTIL OUR TCS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR!** You don't want to miss out on this wonderful TCS community event! Please plan on spending some time at TCS Nov 19 to enjoy a lunch, the live auction, the silent auction as well as the many, many vendors and a wonderful community to connect with!! Spread the word... Call your friends, family and neighbours...let everyone know the Bazaar is live again and there will be much to enjoy!

**Last chance to order... TODAY is the last day to order from The Dutch Store on our TCS website!**

Last chance to order all your favourite Dutch Store goodies like croquettes, meats, cheeses, candies and of course chocolate letters for the whole family!! Today is the last day to order. Our TCS Dutch Store can be found at <https://timothychristianschool.ca/> and click on the link to "shop". Please have your payment in the office by tomorrow, November 1st. Thank you!

**BAZAAR... Up to joining the Baking Crew on November 14? We need you and your elite baking skills!!**

On November 14 we are pulling together a 'team of parent bakers' who love to bake! This team will be working on baking cookies and treats 'on behalf of TCS students and staff' for the Bazaar! Many years ago teachers would do this in class with students but, now with all the colds and flu bugs going around (and COVID still lingering), we are asking for a small team of parent bakers to do this on behalf of the students. The cookies will be sold at the bazaar '*on behalf of the students from each class*'! Have you got a heart and love for baking cookies or other treats? We need you! Please email Kate in the front office this week as she will be gathering names who can help our baking crew on November 14. Nicole Brouwer will be leading this crew of bakers and the location will be announced soon (either at the school or Nicole's home). YES - this does go toward your PITCH HOURS! Thank you on behalf of the students and staff in advance!!!

**BAZAAR... Candy donations needed**

The kids' Games Hall could use donations of candy and prizes. Please send donations to the office.

**BAZAAR... Baking and food donations needed**

The Bazaar Cafe is looking for donations of homemade pies, cases of pop, water and juice boxes. Please connect with Natalie Riewe, [nriewe1@gmail.com](mailto:nriewe1@gmail.com) if you have any questions and if you are planning on donating any of the listed items.

Also, we are in need of home-baked Christmas cookies for our Bazaar cookie sale. Remember home baking does qualify for PITCH hours!

**TCS 60th Anniversary events - circle the dates!**

Timothy Christian School is *celebrating 60 years* in the Barrie community this year. We will be celebrating by:

- Hosting a Youth "Worldview" Evening on **Friday, March 31st** to equip our young people (including our students in grades 5 - 8)
- Hosting the "Equip" Worldview Conference on **Saturday, April 1st** with world class apologetic speakers. Look for tickets for this evening available in the new year.
- Having an open house and celebration evening on **April 29th** at the school.

We have so much to be thankful for...stay tuned and circle the above dates!

**Volleyball Practice**

Practices will be every Tuesday and Thursday after school until 5 pm. This Thursday, there will not be a practice as teachers are away at the Edvance Conference.

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**Year-end Donation Opportunity**

As we draw closer to the end of 2022, some of you may be interested in making a year-end gift to Timothy Christian School. One way you can do this is through appreciated securities through the Christian School Foundation. If you have unregistered publicly traded securities that have gained in value over the time you have owned them, using these gifts for our school can be a great idea! HOW does this work? If you bought shares for \$1,000 and they are now valued at \$5,000 – they are subject to Capital Gains tax if you convert them to cash first. Instead, if you transfer them directly to a charity, you will give a gift that cost you \$1,000, *but you will get a donation receipt for a \$5,000 gift* (for many, reducing their taxes by approx. \$2,000)! Since the charity doesn't pay capital gains taxes when they convert them to cash, it gets the full \$5,000 in funds to support its important work! Talk to your financial advisor or contact Kevin teBrake at our Christian School Foundation [ktebrake@christianschoolfoundation.ca](mailto:ktebrake@christianschoolfoundation.ca) to learn more. We recommend initiating this type of gift soon to gain from the tax advantage in 2022.

**TCS Junior Sports Program Follow-Up**

We had our first ever junior sports session and it was awesome! This is only possible because of our dedicated parents and grade 8 students who are giving their precious time and energy to make this a success. The next session will be Wednesday, November 2nd (after school until 5 pm).

**The sign-up period is now closed.** I am sorry, but we have now reached our maximum number capacity. However, if you missed this session, you can always sign-up for the basketball session coming in January!

A few things to remember:

1. It is very important that you inform your homeroom teacher of your child(ren)'s after-school plan, so teachers have your permission to keep your child off the bus. If you are emailing the office, please cc your homeroom teacher and vice versa. If you did not complete the sign-up form, your child is not permitted to attend.
2. Please ensure that you are at the school to pick up your child no later than 4:50 pm. We want to try our best to allow teachers and parents who are running the program to leave the school just after 5 pm.

I am excited for the next session! Feel free to email [awilcox@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:awilcox@timothychristianschool.ca) if you have any questions.

**Meat Order Fundraiser – Please support our Grade 8 Students!**

The Grade 8s are selling meat through Macgregors Meat + Seafood to raise money for their Grade 8 Grad trip to Ottawa next spring.

- If you'd like to see the products available, you can [click this link](#).
- If you'd like to order meat, please contact a Grade 8 student or [use this link](#) to print and fill in an order form and send it back to the school with a cheque payable to Timothy Christian School with "Meat Order" clearly marked on the memo line.

**The meat orders are due November 11** and will be delivered on December 2. No late orders can be accepted.

Thank you for your support!! From the Grade 8 students



## Pizza Days

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming Pizza Days:

Fri Nov 4

Fri Nov 11

Wed Nov 16

Fri Nov 25

Fri Dec 2

Fri Dec 9

Fri Dec 16



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## BAZAAR BUZZ... PITCH OPPORTUNITIES



The Bazaar is quickly approaching and the excitement is building! The Bazaar Committee would like to say a BIG Thank you to the whole school body! Our request for help is being met and roles are being filled FAST! We still have a couple of needs that you can see below. If you would like to help in one of these areas (for half a day or the whole day)... Please email our volunteer coordinator Brianne at [bri.sauder@gmail.com](mailto:bri.sauder@gmail.com). Remember to log your PITCH hours... even baking earns PITCH hours!!

**Photo Booth** - Need 2 photographers (parents that enjoy taking photos) & a few creative minds to create a beautiful festive backdrop.

**Cafeteria** - Need 6

Key roles: clearing tables, serving and selling food, food and kitchen prep and clean up. Highschool students able to volunteer here.

**Baking** - Christmas Cookies & Pies

Key roles: Baking at home your favourite pie and/or Christmas cookies!

**Kids Hall** - Need 4

Key roles: supervising kids during games and movie time, selling game tickets. Grades 7 & 8 students are welcome to volunteer here.

**General Helper** - Need 1

Key role: being available to help any and all departments where needed

**Handy Man Helper** - Need 1

Key role: fixing technical and electrical problems as they arise.

**Set/Up, Take/Down Crew** - Need 1

Key role: setting up tables on Friday night and taking them down on Saturday. Cleaning tables, sweeping. Help on Friday, Saturday or both!

**Parking Crew** - Need 1

Key role: helping to park cars, keep walkways clean and salted

**Other ways to help:**

- We have only a few **VENDOR TABLES** left! If you know of anyone who would like to be a vendor this year, have them email [bazaar@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:bazaar@timothychristianschool.ca)
- If you or your business would like to **DONATE AN ITEM OR SERVICE TO OUR SILENT AUCTION**, email [bazaar@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:bazaar@timothychristianschool.ca)

We appreciate everyone who is committed to making this day a success! Thank you!  
**A special "Thank You" to everyone that contributed to our Bradford Greenhouse Fundraiser!**  
**It was another great Bradford year!!**

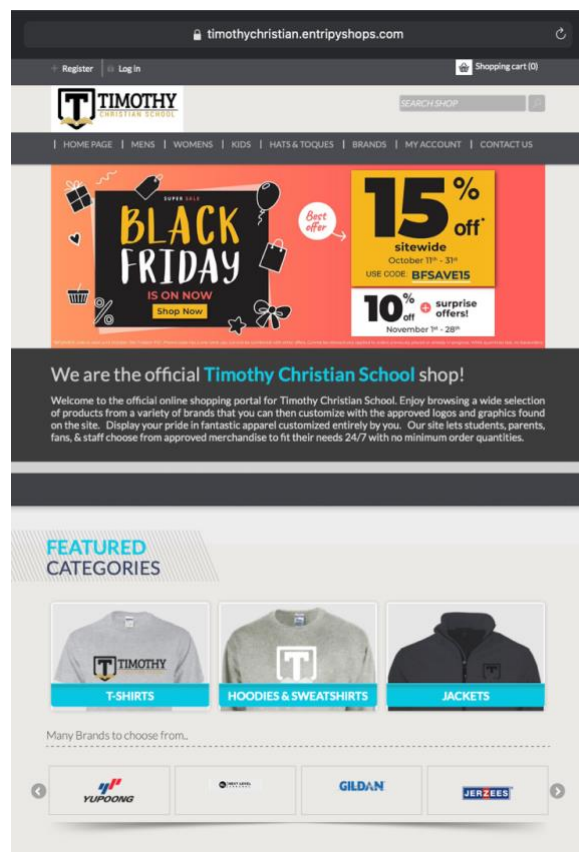
**TCS School Apparel Available for Order!**

TCS has partnered with Entripy Shops to offer our community a variety of apparel options (hoodies, t-shirts, pants, hats, jackets etc.) featuring TCS logos and this year's school theme. Our store offers quality brand names including Under Armour, Champion, Columbia and more! All of the clothing and accessory options are fully customizable (the preview photo shows one of many options), so be sure to explore the many colour, size, and logo options available for each item.

<https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/>

A few things to be aware of:

1. All orders are custom, and as such, they are non-refundable unless the shop has made an error. Be sure to review your order carefully before submitting!
2. Use the following coupon code for 15% off the ENTIRE website from now until October 31st! This discount helps to compensate for the price of shipping. Coupon Code: **BFSAVE15**
3. Free shipping is available for orders over \$100. If your order total is less than \$100 before taxes, we'd encourage you to combine your order with another family to make free shipping available to you. All items can be shipped to any address of your choice.
4. Sometimes certain items/styles will have limited sizes depending on the stock available. Be sure to check back as availability will change.
5. All items are available to be purchased using a credit card. **All payment is done through the site and functions separately from the school.**

**Spirit Wear Fridays Coming Soon!**

In the coming weeks, TCS will introduce Spirit Wear Fridays to encourage school spirit and unity across the school! This is a chance to wear your TCS apparel, school colours and/or any other means of supporting our school! This, of course, is not mandatory, but encouraged. Look for the announcement of our first Spirit Wear Friday in the November newsletters!

**re-Source Thrift Shop South Needs Help**

The Thrift Shop is becoming busier, and they need extra help. If you can donate a few hours a month, we would love to have you join our team. Please email [resource.barrie@outlook.com](mailto:resource.barrie@outlook.com). Or if you have any questions, please call Kathrin Veenstra at 705-627-9053.

**See what's happening at TCS by following us on Social Media:**

- **Facebook:** [facebook.com/tcsbarrie](https://facebook.com/tcsbarrie)
- **Website:** <https://timothychristianschool.ca/>
- **Instagram:** @tcs\_barrie
- **Youtube:** TCS Barrie

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A vibrant blue poster for 'Unity Day in Barrie'. The word 'UNITY' is written in large, bold, white letters with a yellow and orange gradient and a drop shadow. Below it, 'DAY IN BARRIE' is written in smaller white letters. A red rounded rectangle contains the text 'FOR GRADE 7 & 8' in white. The date 'NOVEMBER 1, 2022' and time '10AM - 2PM' are displayed in large white text. At the bottom left is a white logo of three stylized figures holding hands, and to its right is the text 'Unity Christian High School'. The background is decorated with colorful confetti and starburst patterns.

**UNITY**  
**DAY** IN BARRIE  
FOR GRADE 7 & 8

**NOVEMBER 1, 2022**  
**10AM - 2PM**



**Unity Christian High School**