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Key Dates in the Months of April and May:

1. **Chapel, THIS Friday, April 12 at 9am.** Chapel will be hosted by our grade ½ class. The Chapel theme is “The Bible: The Inspired Word of God”. Please join us!
2. **April 30 - Follow up JK - 12 Town Hall Meeting at Unity Christian High School.** Did you miss the last JK - 12 town hall meeting at TCS? All good - join us at Unity for the second JK - 12 town hall meeting as presented by the Task Force. This will be a time of presenting and receiving input into this process.
3. **May 22 - Grandparents Day.** An invitation will be sent home soon for students to give to their Grandparents. Once you have confirmed your Grandparents attendance for May 22, [please complete the RSVP form found here.](#)
4. **Celebration of Learning and International Food Festival.** Please see below for more information. Thank you to those that have already signed up to share some dishes at the Food Festival! We are looking forward to this event!!
**Please note that the Celebration of Learning and the International Food Festival will happen after school.
5. **May 25 - TCS Spring Market!** Please see the information below.
6. **May 30th, TCS Spring Membership Meeting and JK - 12 Vote.** Please circle the date and join us in the TCS gym for our spring membership meeting and the vote to support a JK - 12 plan as presented by the JK - 12 Task Force.

School spirit day... Career Dress Up Day Friday, April 12

The Spirit Team is excited to announce that **Friday, April 12** will be Career Dress Up Day. Students are encouraged to come dressed as astronauts, firefighters, judges, ballerinas, scientists, fishermen, police officers, and more. (Please remember play weapons are never allowed at school). Join in the fun!



Spring MacGregors Fundraiser Meat Orders for grades 7 & 8

Our annual grade 7 & 8 fundraiser has kicked off! [Please click here to see the list of delicious meats available.](#) You will want to fill your freezer to prepare for the summer BBQ season AND don't forget to treat Dad/Grandpa/Uncle to some for Father's Day!! This is the same quality product served at many restaurants (such as The Keg). If you are interested in buying meat, please contact a grade 7 or 8 student for more information or the office tcsген@timothychristianschool.ca. Your support in buying this meat is greatly appreciated! Orders are due by April 30th. Meat will be delivered for the grade 7 and 8 parents to pick up at the school on May 16.

TOWN HALL MEETING... Save the date for Tuesday, April 30 At Unity Christian High School

The Joint Task Force of Unity Christian High and Timothy Christian School invites you to attend a 2nd Town Hall evening discussing a renewed vision for Christian education in our region. Come be part of the exciting process of dreaming and exploring what an amalgamated JK-12 Christian School could look like!

April Dates to be aware of:

9 3:30-5pm Badminton practice	15 Hot Dog Day	22 Grade 7 IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
10 Hot Dog Day	16 3:30-5pm Badminton practice	Hot Dog Day
11 3:30-5pm Badminton practice	18 <i>Badminton Tournament (gr 7 & 8)</i>	23 Battle of the Books Competition
12 Dress Up Day: Career Dress Up	19 Pizza Day	30 TOWN HALL MEETING @ Unity
9am Chapel hosted by grade 1/2		
Pizza Day		

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The investigative work of the Joint Task Force over the last year has resulted in the recommendation that the two-school operations of TCS & UCHS be unified into a single one-school model. This unification would eventually cover all aspects of the school encompassing the society, membership, leadership, tuition, location, operations and facilities. After presenting at both societies Fall Membership meetings, and receiving support to further explore this concept by both School Societies by way of Motions passed, we have reached the Discernment stage of this process, where we will further develop the overall vision for a JK-12 Christian School through Community Engagement.


Our first town hall on February 29 was a well attended gathering of the community together to have collaborative conversation surrounding the long-term vision for Christian education in the Barrie and surrounding area. The feedback from the table discussions was recorded and received by the Task Force and will shape some of the content of the presentation at the second town hall on April 30th. The Task Force is encouraged by the engagement of our community as a whole and looking forward to meeting together again. As was shared at the February Town Hall, the task force has an email address for you to forward any input or questions: barriechristianschoolvision@gmail.com. A follow up email invitation will come to you closer to the date of this Town Hall, including further details on topics and Agenda for the evening. Please save the date of **APRIL 30th** on your calendars to join us!

Everyone in the Timothy Christian School and Unity Christian High School Communities are welcome to attend this Town Hall, including staff, families, members, supporters, and donors. Please pass this email along to others you know who may be interested. Hope to see you there!

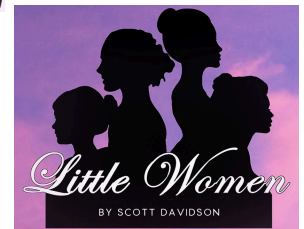
Unity Christian High School - Theatre Production of Little Women - April 19 & 20, 3 shows!

TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE for Unity's Spring Theatre Production - 'Little Women'. Adapted from Louisa May Alcott's Classic Novel, "Little Women" is a timeless tale that follows the lives of the four March sisters — Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy—as they navigate the challenges of growing up, love, and loss during the Civil War era. Through their trials and triumphs, the sisters learn the true meaning of family, friendship, and the importance of staying true to oneself. Directed by Joanne MacKinnon and Melissa Pennell and produced by Staff & Students at UCHS.

Friday, April 19 @ 7:30PM AND **Saturday, April 20 @ 1PM** and **@ 7:30PM**

 Ticket Prices: **Adults \$15, Children (12 and under) \$10, Seniors & Students \$12**

To Buy Tickets: Call the school at 705.792.6915 or email info@unitychristianhigh.ca



International Food Festival (PITCH OPPORTUNITY)

We are looking forward to the inaugural 2024 TCS International Food Festival where we will showcase the extensive diversity at TCS! The Food Festival will take place immediately after our community Celebration Of Learning on the night of May 22nd. Our hope is to set up booths / tables for various continents and that multiple families would provide different menu items to share with the TCS community.

What we are looking for:

- 1) A leader/coordinator for each continent
 - Coordinate creative decorations for their continent's booth which could include flags, themed items, dressing in traditional wear etc.
 - Collaborate on a menu and be prepared to share a list of ingredients / potential allergy list for the community to view.
 - Coordinate serving trays/dishes etc. for the booth.

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- 2) Passionate families from different cultural backgrounds prepare and share their unique cuisine with the TCS community!! The specific cultural background will fall into the continent subgroups (For ex. Italian background would fall under the European group)
- 3) Volunteers to help set up the food festival (tables, chairs, power cords) ahead of time.
- 4) Volunteers to help clean up after the event is over.

[Please click here for the Google Form to sign up!](#)

Please forward any questions/ideas to: awilcox@timothychristianschool.ca. There will be more details to follow!

Badminton - grades 7 & 8 boys and girls

Practices will continue on Tues & Thurs afterschool (3:30 to 5pm) as we prepare for the tournament, April 18.

Grade Eight Graduation - June 14, 2024... Grade 7 parents & students help needed

Grade 7 Parents - We have a Grad Planning Committee! They will need your help on June 14. Please be sure to sign up [via this Google Form](#). The committee will follow up closer to the date to confirm roles. Remember this is a great way to get PITCH hours!

Bradford Greenhouses Fundraising Program starts NEXT Monday - April 15!

When you are shopping for all your gardening, lawn care, and home decor, please remember our fundraising program with Bradford Greenhouses (at both locations in Barrie and Bradford). Before the cashier starts to ring through your purchases please mention that you would like your purchase to support Timothy Christian School. This is always a successful fundraiser and helps us purchase things for the Bazaar each year. Thank you for considering shopping at Bradford Greenhouses to support TCS!



Spring Market - Saturday, May 25

****Volunteers needed for the Spring Market event May 25!**

[Please use this Google Form to sign up to help](#). We are looking for a lot of people to pull together to help make this event a success. We will need help with the breakfast, yard sale, market, childcare, and raffle. This is a PITCH OPPORTUNITY!

... Pancake Breakfast

Tickets for the pancake breakfast will be going on sale soon. In the meantime, we are looking to borrow pancake griddles. If you have a pancake griddle and are willing to loan it to the school for the May 25 weekend, please let us know by emailing: springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca.

... Yard Sale Donation Reminder

Stay tuned for the next drop off date for the Giant Yard Sale. We will be looking for new and good used condition items that include:

- Health & Beauty Products
- Clothing & Accessories
- Games, Hobbies & Sports
- Home Decor & Furniture
- Kitchen & Dishes
- Toys & Baby
- Tools & Hardware
- Pet Stuff



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... Market Sponsorship Opportunities

We are overwhelmed by the generous sponsorship received for the TCS Spring Market and Pancake Breakfast coming up on Saturday May 25. Two more sponsorship opportunities are still available!

Package	Quantity Available	Element to Sponsor	What's Included
Platinum (\$2000)	SOLD	Pancake Breakfast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prominent signage • Social Media post • Running ad during breakfast • Free Vendor Table • Radio ad • 8 tickets to pancake breakfast
Gold (\$1000)	SOLD	Giant Yard Sale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage • Social Media post • Running ad at breakfast • Free vendor table • 4 tickets to pancake breakfast
Gold (\$1000)	1	Farmers/Artisan Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage • Social Media post • Running ad at breakfast • Free vendor table • 4 tickets to pancake breakfast
Silver (\$500)	SOLD	Student Entrepreneurship Contest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judge of contest • Social Media post • logo on communication of contest • 2 tickets to pancake breakfast
Bronze (\$250)	1	Childcare Room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Media post • Signage at childcare room • 2 tickets to pancake breakfast

... Student Business Contest "WIN A FREE BOOTH AT THE TCS SPRING MARKET": If your student hasn't picked up their contest application from the office, now is the time! A .pdf or .ppt version of the application can also be requested from springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca. Contest deadline is Wednesday, April 17! We can't wait to see all our student business ideas!!

Student Business Contest

Win a Booth to Sell Your Products at the TCS Spring Market on May 25!

Prize Valued at \$85!

Contest is open to all current Timothy Christian School & Unity Christian High School students, with a winner from each category.

Primary JK - Grade 5 Junior High Grade 6-8 High School Grade 9-12

Application Forms available in the TCS office

Contest Deadline: Wednesday, April 17

Submit your contest application to Kate in the TCS office or email it to springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca

The Student Business Contest is co-sponsored by:

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... Unity is having a Plant Sale at the TCS Spring Market

Unity grade 12 students will be sending out more info in the next few weeks, but for now they are asking if anyone is planning on dividing their perennial plants this spring that you would wait until closer to May 25. They will be looking for perennial plant donations for their plant sale. Details will be coming.

Reminder of School Times and "Lates"

Please note: First bell is 8:45am and second bell is 8:50. As we are out of the snowy months where travel restrictions could have been an issue, we will be reverting back to giving late slips for students that arrive after the 8:50am bell. All students who are not in class by 8:50am are marked absent. Please remember to let the office know if your child will be absent or late by 8:45am. Thank you!

**School Calendar**

The school calendar can be found on the TCS website (www.timothychristianschool.ca under Events), on Sycamore, and at [this link](#).

TCS School Calendar**TCS Important Info**

Remember you have access to our TCS family and staff directories and other important information (TCS Constitution, Handbooks, recording PITCH hours, etc.) through our Sycamore database. Documents and directions on accessing information in Sycamore can be found on the Sycamore Homepage under the heading "NEWS" (top menu bar). Directories can be found under *Front Office*.

PITCH Logs

The PITCH committee is reviewing each family's service log to ensure we are all working towards the goal of 25 hours (full-time family requirement) or 15 hours (part-time family or family with a student in Christian Education requirement). It is each family's responsibility to log their volunteer service hours. On a preliminary review it looks like a number of families have not started on their PITCH hours. Remember that the PITCH hours have a financial correlation and you will be billed for the outstanding hours at the end of the year. New opportunities for PITCH hours are coming up so please watch the newsletter (Track & Field Days, landscaping team - gardening / lawn care, grad team, Grandparents' Day, etc.). Thank you for lending your time and talents to the TCS community... We are stronger because of you!

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES:

- Grandparents' Day (sign up coming) May 22
- International Food Festival May 22 (info above)
- Spring Market May 25 (info above)

Stay tuned for more opportunities coming... Track & Field, grad, etc.

Thank you for building community at TCS by lending your time & talents!

Logging PITCH hours

Please be aware that it is each family's responsibility to track and log their own PITCH hours. Hours logged are pending until they have been reviewed by the PITCH Committee. To enter your hours, please follow these instructions:

- Log onto Sycamore with your family specific login (TCS School Id: 3982)
- On the left side of the School Homepage: Click "My School"
- Click "My Service Logs"
- Click "NEW" button on the right side
- Complete the form *choosing the appropriate heading*

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- Click “Save”... entered hours are pending until approved by the PITCH committee
- Families that are required to complete ONLY 15 hours, please be sure to log the SPECIAL PITCH AUTHORIZATION of 10 hours (these are the hours granted to you so you only need to complete 15 hours in total).

Remember, each family is permitted to enter 2.5 hours for attending Society meetings (even if you aren't a member!). If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact pitch@timothychristianschool.ca



Thinking about ordering TCS Apparel?!

Our store offers quality brand names including Under Armour, Champion, Columbia and more! All 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. Check it out: <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. Free shipping is available for orders over \$100. All items can be shipped to any address of your choice.
3. Sometimes certain items/styles will have limited sizes depending on the stock available. Be sure to check back as availability will change.
4. All items are available to be purchased using a credit card.

All payment is done through the site and functions separately from the school.

Bus information:

Please be sure your child is at the bus stop 10 minutes early. Feel free to contact Landmark Bus Lines Barrie (our bus company) anytime the buses are on the road to check with dispatch on a bus' ETA. Landmark's contact: 705-722-6666.



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