

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATING CLASS OF 2012!

As the school year comes to a close, our grade 8 class is moving on to their next stage of life! Graduates looked their best as they celebrated these past years of elementary school together with family, friends and staff. Congratulations to our graduating class and may you all keep the Lord at the centre through your high school years and beyond!



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SPRING SOCIETY MEETING

This past Thursday was our Spring Society Meeting! Timothy's new principal, Rod Berg was introduced, and the 2012/2013 school year's Board Members were selected.

We also had an extra special treat—with special guest Brett Ullman, a Christian speaker who is gifted in speaking about current issues affecting our youth. His website is www.brettullman.com if you would like to learn more about him!

PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY

We had a great turn out for Pastor Appreciation Day! Almost 30 pastors from the Barrie area came out to spend some time with us! The grade 8 students took them on a tour of the school and then there was a small program in the gym, including a blacklight presentation by some students, and a time of prayer with the pastors. We were so thankful for so many pastors who came to support the students in this way and it was amazing to see how many different churches are represented in the TCS community!

GRANDPARENTS' AND GRANDFRIENDS' DAY

We had our annual Grandparent's and Grandfriends' Day and it was a hit, as usual! It is so exciting to have so many grandparents supporting the staff and students here at Timothy! Because we did our Esther play this spring, students had the opportunity to perform the Spring play one more time for all of our grandparents!



BULLYING AWARENESS WEEK

The Wellness Committee organized a Bullying Awareness Week. Now that we have a TCS mascot, our theme for the week was "Stand Strong – Knights of Christ". Our goal was to encourage the student body to "Put on the Armour of God" and to "Be a light in the world of darkness." An excellent song by Kerri Roberts, "Outcast" summarizes what we want our students to be; an outcast for God. The week was full of activities, lessons, skits and games which Reiterated the Anti-bullying themes throughout the week!



TIMOTHY ACCEPTS GRANT FROM THE OACS FOUNDATION



Earlier this year a grant was applied for through the OACS Foundation for funding towards our playground and outdoor facilities. Despite the numerous applicants in a financially difficult time, the OACS requested further information from Timothy and **granted us \$6775.00** to put towards improving our current facilities! A

year and a half ago the playground was inspected for the School Quality Assurance Program (SQAP) and was found to be in good condition, however lacking in crushed gravel under the swings and slides for the children to land on. This grant money will be used during the summer months to see to covering those areas as needed, and any remaining funds will be put towards other items identified in the original grant. *A huge thank you to the OACS Foundation for seeing potential and investing in our school!* We're sure the kids will appreciate the work come September and enjoy their softer landing. ☺



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GRADE 7 & 8 ELECTIVES

The grades 7 and 8 classes experienced electives this past term. This program gave students the opportunity to experience different hands-on activities that they may not have had otherwise. It was a chance to get out of the classroom and try something new! The elective options this



year were: Aviation, Hairdressing, Woodworking, Bowling, Racquet Sports, Blacklight, and Ballroom Dancing.



We are so thankful for all of our elective leaders and know that without them this program would not be possible. Thank you to all of you!

WE ARE THE TIMOTHY KNIGHTS!

“Mascot Day” was an exciting one here at TCS! Students dressed up as their favourite mascot options—Tornado’s, Tigers, Knights, Thunder, or Trailblazer! Students then voted on their favourite and the winner was—The Knights! So we are now officially the Timothy Knights. How exciting!



BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Timothy hosted the North of Toronto Basketball tournament again this year. We are so blessed with this beautiful facility which gives us this opportunity. Every team tried their best and it was great to see so much team spirit. Timothy ended up taking home first place in both the boys and girls divisions! The girls game was really close—with only 10 seconds left in overtime TCS scored the winning basket! We are so thankful for all the supporters who came out to cheer us on!



GRADE 5 & 6 ELECTIVES

Students had a great time during their electives this year! The grade 5 and 6 classes had the opportunity to participate in quite the variety of activities! The activity options were: Bowling, X-BOX Active Living, Flag Rugby, Cheer, Photography, What’s Cooking?, and Flip Flop Fun! There were some delicious items as a result of the Cooking elective, and the photo above displays the beautiful flip flops that the girls made from—would you believe it—Yoga Mats!



Thank you so much to those who helped make these electives possible! The students sure appreciate all the work that goes into organizing and facilitating these activities!

TIMOTHY KNIGHT CONTEST

The Timothy Squishy Knight contest was a hit this year! Each week there was a riddle in the school newsletter and students had the opportunity to answer the riddles. There was a draw at the end for a few of the knights! The contest was a hit and a number of students participated! The knights were handed out in chapel to the winners and was it ever an exciting time!!



TRACK AND FIELD DAY

Timothy students did a GREAT job at Track and Field Day this year! A few records were broken—both at Timothy and at the Master Track and Field Event! At Timothy—Christi Scheeres broke the running long jump record and Breton VanSchubert broke the 100 metre record! At Master Track—Mark Arrizza broke the 50m record, and Jordan Kostyra broke the Standing Long Jump record! What a talented bunch we have at this school!

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ESTHER-ORDINARY FAITH MUSICAL

Spring is here, and with Springtime comes Musical time! Students had the opportunity to perform the play four times this year! We invited a few schools to come to the dress rehearsals so that students had more opportunity to perform the play! There was also an evening performance for parents and friends of Timothy, as well as a grandparents' day performance during the day! Students did an amazing job memorizing all of the songs and lines for the play!



UNITY MATH OLYMPICS

A group of grade 7 and 8 students spent a day at Unity for their Math Olympics! Our students took home first place as they participated in a number of Math activities where they put their Math skills to the test against a number of other schools! These mathletes had a great time as Math was demonstrated in a more practical and fun environment than the normal classroom setting. What a great experience for our students!



FRIENDS OF TIMOTHY ARE FRIENDS INDEED!

Did you know that we have a *Friends of Timothy* page? On our website under the "Fundraising" tab, you will find a list of businesses and individuals who have contributed to the school for one (or more) of our fundraising events. These sponsors have provided us with donations, allowing us the opportunity to run silent and live auctions, bazaars, school events ~ you name it! Without their generosity, these events would not have raised the money that they did. Therefore to thank them, we have created this page to point society members and Timothy families to. *We encourage you to look there first* when needing a contractor, plumber, camp, beauty practitioner ~ whatever it is you're looking for. The list is constantly updated so check back often ~ and be sure to mention that you found them through the school. *Our continued support of them is an excellent way to say thank you! for their continued support of us!*

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TIMOTHY FACEBOOK PAGE



Timothy is on Facebook! From the Gala to the Golf Tournament to so much more, there is lots to know about the school! If you join our facebook page you can know the latest details quicker! "Like" TCS and help us get the Timothy name out to more people faster!

GOOD-BYE HUIZENGA FAMILY



We are sad to say good-bye to the Huizenga family as they head out to Indonesia in July! But, we are very excited for their family as they begin such an exciting adventure overseas! This family will be missed and we look forward to their return in two short years!

ZOO-TECH COMES TO SCHOOL



Once again, Zoo-Tech visited Timothy to show us a variety of animals. They come every year to give students the opportunity to see and touch animals they wouldn't normally have the

chance to see—snakes, huge rabbits, hedgehogs and birds! It was an exciting day for a few of the younger grades!



DAVID BUSBY LUNCHES

A few times through the year, the grade 4 class has the opportunity to make bagged lunches for the David Busby Drop-In Centre that is located in Downtown Barrie! It is exciting to see the students sharing the Love of Jesus in such a practical way in our own community!



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“AN ASIAN AFFAIR” 2012 GALA A SUCCESS!

On April 21st, Timothy brought the Gala back after a two year hiatus with an Asian-inspired event aimed to raise greatly needed funds for the school. A committee of dedicated women got together and made something wonderful which 150 Timothy families, friends and supporters were able to enjoy. The evening began with pictures taken by alumni Ellie Kistemaker in the foyer surrounded by Chinese lanterns, and led to a silent auction and a delicious



theme-inspired meal catered by Wildwood Catering. During and after the meal guests were entertained by a stunning red-silks performance and then a hoola-hoop and fire play performance by three extremely talented, jaw-dropping Zero Gravity Circus performers. Barbara Richards entertained and auctioned off amazing live-auction items which ended the evening on a high-note. The Timothy community and local businesses gathered around and supported this event in tremendous ways. The final amount raised was \$73,000! We want to thank everyone who dug in and donated their time, money and/or items to this event. Without your support, it would not have been the success that it was and would not have had such a positive effect on our school and families. The Gala will return in 2013/14 and we hope you'll be as excited as we are to have you join us again. *Thank you!*



TIMOTHY IS TURNING 50 & WE CAN'T WAIT TO CELEBRATE WITH YOU!

How exciting and phenomenal that 50 years ago this fall, hard-working, dedicated men and women brought Christian Education to Barrie with the birth of Timothy Christian School! What a gift to the community and every student, parent and society member since. We are overjoyed to let you know that we will be hosting a Timothy Christian School Alumni Reunion Celebration to mark this very special occasion. A weekend family event will take place from Friday, April 26th to Sunday, April 28th, 2013 and will allow current and graduated families the chance to reminisce and get connected (once again) to this wonderful school. We encourage you to get in contact with any friends and family who once went to Timothy and let them know to set that weekend aside. Our facebook site will soon have an event page and we would greatly enjoy hearing from alumni of their current whereabouts and whether or not they think they will be able to attend. If you are not connected to facebook, please send an email to lmiller@timothychristianschool.ca with contact information for anyone who would like to receive a reunion mailing ~ we don't want anyone to be missed! Of course, we are also interested in alumni and current society members helping out and welcome committee additions. Please contact Lisa about how your gifts can make this event a success. *Stay tuned for more information!*

SPEECHFEST

This years Speechfest event was a hit! Students first presented their speeches in their classrooms and a few were chosen to present in front of a larger group at school.



From there, a handful were selected to present their speeches at Unity Christian High School along with a few other Christian Schools. Congratulations to Nichola Nelson who placed first, and Liam Holmes who placed second in the Junior division, and to Tera Wohlgemuth who placed second in the Senior division.

HOW YOU CAN HELP & SHARE YOUR GIFTS

We are all different ~ *and what a good thing!* With our diversity comes the beautiful array of gifts bestowed upon us by our Father and the opportunity to come together and make something wonderful with them. We are in need of people with the following gifts for upcoming events and committees at the school. Please prayerfully review this list and consider joining with us for the 2012/13 school year:

Alumni Reunion: Event Planning, Musical talent for Alumni Band, Family Events, Yearbook/Digital Scrapbooking, Decorations/Staging, Church Service (Planning), Communications/ Alumni.

Committees: There are many different committees ~ all of which thrive off the varied insights and ideas of multiple members. Please consider your strengths and contact the Board Representative of that committee to talk about how you can help.

Specifically:

- Finance Committee
- Kitchen Committee
- Student Fund/Fundraising Committee
- And Tack Shop/Timothy Wear

A more comprehensive and detailed list will be available in September. *Thank you!*

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