



TIMOTHY

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal ...

Welcome back to these TCS Families! It is good to have you here again!

- *Dionisio & Ingrid Long, Valeria (7)*
- *Marko & Yelena Skuljicak, Emma (1), Nina (4) and Ana (6)*

TCS Online Auction is open and ready for your bid!

The TCS auction went live on Friday and what an exciting opening weekend it was!

Thank you to everyone who registered and got into the bidding! We have something for everyone with more items being added this week. The Auction will run until Friday November 19th. You can find the link to register on the TCS home page or by clicking on:

[HTTPS://app.galabid.com/tcsbazaar2021](https://app.galabid.com/tcsbazaar2021).

Your support is greatly appreciated! Please send this link to family & friends!

The Bazaar Committee has been overwhelmed by the generous outpouring of donations for this year's auction. A huge thank you to everyone who donated. No further donations are needed.

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NOVEMBER 5 - 20

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

ONLINE AUCTION

<https://app.galabid.com/tcsbazaar2021>

TCS Now Hiring a Marketing Director - please pass this on to anyone interested!

Do you know of anyone who has a deep passion for Christian Education? Anyone who has skills in marketing, is savvy on social media and would thrive unpacking the vision of the great things that happen at TCS? This position will focus on content creation (posting the wonderful things that happen at TCS), working with the Marketing Committee and connecting with key donors. This is a 50% position. Please pass this onto anyone you know who has the passion and skills for this position. Please connect with Mr. Berg to discuss the position further. Resumes can be sent to Mr. Berg's attention at tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca. We hope to interview in November for this position.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Student Progress Reports will be sent home this Wednesday. Follow up parent/teacher conferences will happen next week on Wednesday the 17th and Friday the 19th. Next Wednesday the interviews will be from 4:00 - 8:30pm. The interviews on Friday the 19th will be from 9:00am to noon. Note that for both days, the parent/teacher conferences will be online via **Google Meet**. Parents will be able to sign up for these teacher meetings this week via **Sycamore**. [Instructions for booking and attending the interviews will be emailed this week.](#)



A reminder that there is **no school next Friday, November 19th** due to the parent/teacher conferences.

Staying Diligent at TCS with COVID Protocols

As a TCS staff we have been reviewing COVID protocols this week with our students in order to keep everyone safe. We have become aware of several COVID outbreaks in the Barrie area over the past few weeks that have resulted in churches and some school classrooms being closed. We feel that a focussed effort over the next few weeks will be critical to get us safely through to the Christmas Break. Parents, we thank you in advance for your support on the homefront regarding TCS students staying diligent in wearing masks properly in class and on the buses. *Please be sure that each day your child has a mask to wear and at least one extra as a back up.* We are reviewing good handwashing/sanitizing this week with our students, wearing masks properly over the nose, as well as social distancing on the playground and in the school. We are hoping that some restrictions may ease in the new year and we want to stay diligent and careful over the next few months to get to a good place. We have all enjoyed and cherished the blessing of being in school in person over the past few months and would like to do our very best to continue on this path. Thank you for your diligence in daily screening at home and keeping students home who are not feeling well. This helps to ensure the symptoms are not related to COVID and to keep other germs from spreading. Our TCS parents have done a wonderful job of this and we appreciate your continued focus over the next few months.

TCS Christmas Video release the week of December 14th

TCS students and staff members are working hard on a special Christmas video that we plan to release to parents, grandparents and supporters during the week of December 14 (when we would normally have our Christmas program).



Recording for this special TCS Christmas video will happen on November 26th so please mark your calendars to have your children dress in their 'Sunday best' for that day. Thank you!

NOVEMBER

- 5-19 TCS Bazaar Online Auction**
- 8 Battle of the Books Meeting@ lunchtime (for grades 4-6)
- 10 Progress Reports go home
- 12 Pizza Day!
- 17 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4 - 8:45pm**
- 19 Parent/Teacher Conferences 9am - noon**
- 19 NO SCHOOL**
- 20 TCS Bazaar (Dutch Store, Christmas Garden & Auction items) drive through pick up 10am – 2pm in the school parking lot
- 25 Meat Orders Due (Grade 8 Fundraiser)**
- Fall Society Meeting 7pm ONLINE**

The re-Source Thrift Shop South celebrates six years in Barrie!

Did you know that it was over seven years ago this year that a TCS board member and the principal had a meeting with several volunteer TCS parents and asked the question “Would there be interest in starting a thrift shop in Barrie South?”. There were five very keen parents that attended that first meeting seven years ago. At the end of the second meeting, the board member and principal dismissed themselves and... the rest is history... The re-Source Thrift Shop in South Barrie was started! A huge thank you to Bernice Heitema for her early passion for this dream and her long-term support and hard work at the Thrift Shop over the past six years! Those wonderfully keen and passionate TCS parents worked very hard over those next years and the present day Barrie South Thrift Shop was formed.



To this day the wonderful team at the thrift shop has

donated over **\$464,000.00** (YES - that is almost a half a million dollars!!)

to not-for-profit charities in the Barrie area. Timothy Christian School has been the recipient of a large portion of that money which has resulted in keeping tuition reasonable and resulted in many additional resources that we would never have been able to purchase without these generous donations.

Note: There were several government officials who attended the celebration ceremonies last Friday and they were stunned at how much money has been poured back into the community from the Thrift shop!

Congratulations!

TCS Membership Meeting on November 25th – Now Online

Please mark your calendars for the Fall TCS Society Meeting on November 25th at 7:00pm. Please note that we have changed the membership meeting to run online rather than in-person. With recent COVID cases spiking and some of the local outbreaks in Barrie, we felt it was wise to run the meeting online at this time. More details will be sent next week when the package is emailed to members.



Pizza Days - If you ordered pizza, please mark your calendar for the following pizza days:

- Fri Nov 12
- Wed Nov 17
- Fri Nov 26
- Fri Dec 3
- Fri Dec 10
- Wed Dec 15
- Fri Jan 7
- Fri Jan 14
- Fri Jan 21
- Fri Jan 28

TCS School Family Directory

You can print the TCS School Family Directory directly from Sycamore using a computer. Log in to your Sycamore School account via <https://app.sycamoreschool.com/index.php?schoolid=3982>. You will find the directory under “Front Office” in the menu. In the top right corner is the **PRINT** button. If you need assistance with this or need your password reset, please email the front office at tcsngen@timothychristianschool.ca.

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North Country Meat fundraiser is back

*Updated link... [Click here](#) to see the delicious meats our grade 8's are selling from North Country Meat (formerly Macgregors Meat) to raise funds for their annual grad trip. This is the same quality product served at many restaurants (such as The Keg). Your support in participating in this fundraiser is greatly appreciated! If you are interested in buying meat, please contact a grade 8 student or the office, tcsngen@timothychristianschool.ca. *Orders are due Thursday November 25.* The meat will be delivered Friday December 3rd.

**Grades 7 & 8 Volleyball**

Practices will run Tuesday and Thursday after school with **pick up at 4:45pm**. Students will be instructed to meet parents outside after practice is finished.

**Battle of the Books**

Today at lunchtime we had our first meeting with students from grades 4-6 that are interested in trying out for our TCS Junior Team. More information will be coming home at a later date. Please check your shelves for TCS Library Books as we are looking for some missing Battle of the Book novels.

Student COVID Screening

Please remember to screen your children for COVID 19 symptoms prior to leaving the house each day. Here is the link to the screening tool <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>.

**Lost & Found is filling up!**

Please come look through the Lost & Found as it is filling up. You don't want to forget about fall / summer items as we are quickly approaching the winter season.