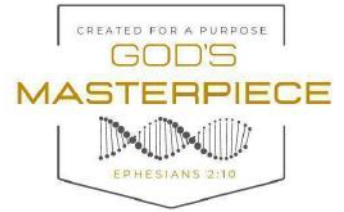




# TCS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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## **TCS Bazaar a huge success... THANK YOU to the wonderful team who put the event together!**

Thank you so much Brittany Hooper and Brianne Currie for leading our 2024 Bazaar Team... all the volunteers did a wonderful job! It takes an army of help to pull the event off and there were so many people that offered their time and energy both on Saturday and the weeks leading up to the event! Thank you! There are a lot of people that helped, but we do want to give a special thank you to the Bazaar Department Leads: Jill Connolly (Greenery), Kim Kooy (Vendors), Rebekah Walters (Bake Table), Katrina Byron (Kids' Wing), Jeff & Laurie Van Campen (Dutch Store) and Jason & Natalie Riewe (Café). We also are very appreciative of our shopping team and the donation team for a fabulous Auction! It takes a special team to put on this wonderful community event and we deeply appreciate each of you! We will announce the total dollars raised once financials have been tallied.



## **Great Community Support for the NEW JK - 12 Christian School!**

The JK - 12 Unification Committee *really felt and appreciated the support by the community at the TCS Bazaar for the JK - 12 plans!* Not only did members of the committee have several of our long term supporters voice their full support and enthusiasm toward the amalgamation of both schools, but the proof was in the bidding for the JK - 12 (Unity/TCS) ceremonial shovel! **Our wonderful donors competed and bid up the shovel to reach the winning bid of 16,000 dollars! That is a 16,000 thousand dollar donation toward the new school!** For the JK - 12 Unification Committee, this confirmed the incredible support and drive that our community wants to see a JK - 12 campus thrive in Barrie! This is one of several donations that have come to the school as of late and we are humbled by the support we have already noted from our key donors and regular supporters.

There is a wonderful quote that came out of a recent workshop .... ***“Christian Education is the last light left on in Western civilization!”***. The journey in our community to a JK - 12 campus has started...and the next few years will be very exciting! Not only do we wish to keep the light of Christian Education on in our present culture...we plan to have it shine brighter in Barrie than it ever has before! Thank you TCS community...for your deep and profound support for Christian education! We have only just begun!

## **TCS Fall Membership Meetings THIS week**

The TCS Fall Membership Meeting will be this Thursday at 7:00pm. We hope you are able to join us! There will be exciting announcements and updates from the Unification Committee regarding the JK - 12 plans. Remember, families are able to log 2.5 PITCH hours for attending (even if you aren't members!).



## **High School Transition Information Evening...THIS Thursday at 6:00 in the TCS Music Room (if enough interest)**

Interested in hearing about high school? Interested in what Unity Christian High School offers and where to get the information about other local high schools? If we have more than 10 people interested, Mr. Schenk, Principal at Unity, and

### **Key dates in November**

21 Volleyball Tournament Girls: TCS Boys: King Christian School	21 6-7pm High School Transition Mtg TCS 7-8pm TCS Fall Membership Meeting	22 PIZZA DAY! 25 HOT DOG DAY! 28 Gr 8 ... Meat Order delivery instructions coming)
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**For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,  
which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph 2:10**

Mr. Wilcox will facilitate a 45 minute high school transition information session. If there are less than 10 people pre-registered, Mr. Schenk will follow up directly with those interested. [Please RSVP by pre-registering for this event by clicking here](#)... we will need to know by tomorrow at 3pm. We will send an email late Tuesday to those that have RSVP'd to let you know if this event is on or not. (Last year we ran the event but only a few parents came, so this year we are asking for parents to pre-register by tomorrow at 3pm to determine the interest).

**TCS Parents: An invitation to attend this FREE webinar hosted by Edvance**

***Embracing the Joy of Missing Out: Strategies to Improve Digital Well-Being at Home and School***

Join us for an essential parent webinar featuring award-winning digital well-being expert Christina Crook. We know that children are struggling with the effects of tech overuse, and setting digital boundaries is crucial for supporting their well-being and academic success. That's where JOMO comes in. JOMO—the Joy of Missing Out—redefines FOMO by helping us focus on what really matters. In this one-hour session, you'll learn practical strategies to align your family's tech use with your values and goals. We'll explore how to develop a healthy technology philosophy, identify your family's core values, and create a family tech agreement that fosters balance and intentionality. *See the poster at the end of this newsletter.*

Webinar #1 will be held: **Tuesday, November 26, 2024** from 7:00 – 8:00pm EST

**How to join the Zoom webinar:** to join on November 26th at 7pm, click [HERE](#)

*This session is the first in a series of four FREE webinars for families of Edvance affiliate schools. Join us on November 26, January 28, March 25, and May 27, from 7-8pm EST*

**Resource Room Announcement: Academic Assessment Opportunity**

Edvance Christian School organization (of which TCS is a member) has partnered with Endless Possibilities (Academic Assessments) in an Inclusive Service Agreement where qualified Educational Psychologists come to a school catchment area and will assess students for a fee. This fee, in some cases, is lower and long waitlists are avoided/eliminated. Currently, schools in our area are compiling an "interest list". Six students are required for the team to come. ***If you are interested due to academic concerns for your child, please contact Mrs. Covert for further information and she will get you on the list.*** The team is tentatively scheduled to be in our area this winter.

**TCS Spirit Team PJ Day - Nov 29 AND Winter Clothing DRIVE NOW ON (until Nov 29)**

This month we will be having PJ Day! Dress in your coziest pajamas and comfiest slippers! You also will have the chance to give something cozy to someone in need this winter! Each grade has been asked to donate a certain winter item that will be given to the Salvation Army. We will start collecting items this week and up until PJ Day on **Friday, November 29th**.

All **JK** Students: Mittens

All **Grade Four** Students: Mittens

All **SK** Students: Mittens

All **Grade Five** Students: Scarves or Neck Warmers

All **Grade One** Students: Winter Hats

All **Grade Six** Students: Socks

All **Grade Two** Students: Scarves or Neck Warmers

All **Grade Seven** Students: Winter Hats

All **Grade Three** Students: Socks

All **Grade Eight** Students: Winter Hats

Need a little motivation.....the class that brings the most items will win a hot chocolate party! Let's help our community this winter season TCS!

**THIS Thursday's Volleyball Tournament Game Schedules**

Parents, please click on the links below to see the game schedules for both tournaments. The girls will play here at TCS and the boys will be at King Christian School. **BOYS TEAM** - Please be at TCS by 7:55am to catch the team bus going to King... OR let Mr. D Wilcox know if you will be meeting the team at King Christian.

Girls: [NTD Intermediate Girls Volleyball Tournament 24/25.docx](#)

Boys: [NTD Intermediate Boys Volleyball Tournament 24/25.docx](#)



**PITCH Opportunity: Volunteers to help at the concession stand Nov 21**

A few volunteers are needed to sell items at the concession stand the day of the Volleyball Tournament - November 21. TCS will host the local Christian Schools for the volleyball tournament and the teams appreciate being able to purchase a cold drink or snack. If you are available to help for part of the day please email Deanna Farris [deannafaris7@gmail.com](mailto:deannafaris7@gmail.com).

**PITCH Opportunity: Volunteer(s) for 'security' for THIS Thursday, Nov 21's Volleyball Tournament**

Parents, TCS will again host the local Christian Schools' Volleyball Tournament... GIRLS games (boys games will be at King Christian School). We are looking for one or two individuals to sit by the front door to ensure teams and guests sign in. If you are available even for part of the day, please let the office know.

**GIFT CARDS.... Unity Christian School Fundraiser... Do you need gift card gifts??**

***Are you or your company planning to purchase Gift Cards for Christmas for your family or staff?*** Unity Christian High School has a wide selection of Gift cards available (grocery, gas, retail, restaurants) for purchase/order. Why not support Christian Education while you do your Christmas shopping. Email [info@unitychristianhigh.ca](mailto:info@unitychristianhigh.ca) for details, a list of current retailers, and order form. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or e-transfers. Don't delay, orders placed before Dec. 9th are guaranteed to be available by Dec. 17th for pick up at TCS. Christmas Order dates are due : Nov. 21st & Dec. 9th.



**Unity Christian High School OPEN HOUSE - Nov 28, 7:30pm**

Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter for the info.



**Unity Christian High School Grade 12 Class Fundraiser**



The grade 12 class is selling Koreana Fir Trees from **Fraser's Christmas Trees**... Please consider pre-ordering your tree November 16 to December 13 by scanning this QR code. You will pay Fraser's Christmas Trees when you pick up your tree. Fraser's Christmas Trees will donate \$20 from every Koreana Fir sold to the grade 12's in support of their grad trip. Thanks in advance for your support of Fraser's Christmas Trees! See the poster at the end of this newsletter for more information about the Koreana Fir trees and the fundraiser. Come to the Bazaar to see one of the Koreana Fir Trees and get your pre-order in!!



Check out this link to buy TCS Gear: <https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/>  
Shop for Christmas gifts! Show your TCS school spirit and wear black, gold, grey or your TCS gear on Fridays!

**\*\*Remember TCS is a nut-free school. Please be sure all snacks/lunches are nut-free!\*\***

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## Reporting Immunizations



Parents, please remember to update the health unit website when your child(ren) receives an immunization.

[Please click here to update your child's immunization record with the health unit.](#)

## Share some Shares, save some taxes!

Have you considered donating shares, mutual fund units, or stocks to Timothy Christian School in 2024?

You can make a greater impact, giving a larger gift by redirecting tax dollars to a charity that you love! Get the wheels in motion today by contacting Kevin teBrake at our Christian School Foundation:

[ktebrake@christianschoolfoundation.ca](mailto:ktebrake@christianschoolfoundation.ca).



**Bless your school with a larger gift**

when you donate shares or mutual funds!

You will eliminate the capital gains tax, receive a full donation receipt, and even better, have a greater influence on our culture in the name of Christ!

Contact Kevin to get started!  
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## Logging your PITCH hours

Please be aware that it is each family's responsibility to track and log their own PITCH hours. 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*
- 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!).

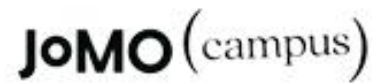
If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact [pitch@timothychristianschool.ca](mailto:pitch@timothychristianschool.ca). *Thank you for adding to the life of the school by volunteering your time!*



## Bus information

**Landmark Bus Lines Barrie** (our bus company): **705-722-6666**. Parents, please feel free to contact Landmark for an ETA on a bus at any time.





## Edvance x JOMO(campus) Family Webinar Series

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[HERE](#) or use the QR code



If joining from your phone, be sure  
to download the Zoom app first



#### About Christina Crook:

Christina Crook is a pioneer and leading voice in the digital well-being movement. She is the award-winning author of *The Joy of Missing Out: Finding Balance in a Wired World* and *Good Burdens: How to Live Joyfully in the Digital Age*, and the driving force behind the global #JOMO movement. Christina's insights into the impact of technology on our lives have been featured in *The New York Times*, *Psychology Today*, *Harper's Bazaar*, and more. As the CEO of JOMO(campus), she leads a digital well-being program that enhances social engagement and academic focus. Christina also serves on the board of *Second Nature Journal*, the publication of the International Institute for the Study of Technology & Christianity, and is a member of both the International Society for Technology in Education and the Media Ecology Association. She lives in Toronto's Junction neighborhood with her husband and three children.

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AT UNITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

**Learn more  
about Christian  
education at Unity**

THURSDAY  
**NOV 28**  
7:30 PM



- Learn more about the school, our programs, courses and athletics
- Learn about the application process
- Take a physical tour of the school building
- Get your questions answered

Please register for this in-person event by contacting the school at [info@unitychristianhigh.ca](mailto:info@unitychristianhigh.ca)



**Unity Christian  
High School**

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For supporting the  
 UCHS Grade 12 Grad Trip   
Christmas Tree Fundraiser

Unity students will be taking orders for Koreana Fir Christmas Trees starting at the Timothy Christian School Bazaar on Nov 16th until December 13th. \$20 from every tree sold will go directly to the UCHS Grade 12 students' grad trip!

Order by scanning the QR code and filling out the google form.

Unity student will meet you at the Frasers Christmas Trees Barrie location on November 23 or December 14, to drill, shake and carry your tree to your vehicle. Payment is to be collected by Frasers Christmas Trees on the date of pick up, no pre-payment is necessary. You will be contacted through email to remind you of your selected pick-up date.

Koreana Fir's are known for their wide, rounded bright green needles with silvery-blue undersides that glisten in the light and have excellent needle retention!  
Koreana trees retail for \$89!

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