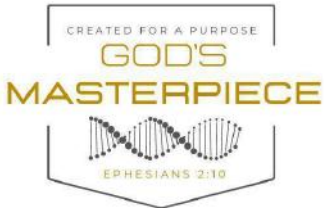


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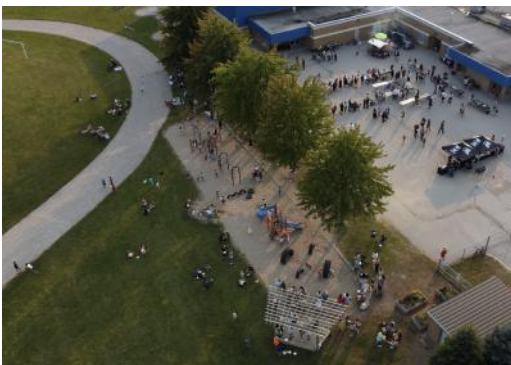
TCS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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TCS Back to School BBQ - a Wonderful Community Event!

It was a beautiful evening of connections and fellowship at TCS! We welcomed our new families and connected with old and new friends and served over 800 burgers last Thursday evening! A huge thank you to all of those who volunteered! A very special thank you to Deanna Faris who coordinates this each year on behalf of the board - well done Deanna! We truly hope our 167 new families felt welcomed and our existing TCS families met several new people. We are off to a great start at TCS and trust our heavenly father with the year ahead!



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New Parent Orientation... THIS Thursday from 7:00 - 8:00 in TCS Music Room

A reminder that we are expecting ONE member/representative of each of our new families to attend the mandatory New Parent Orientation THIS Thursday at 7:00 in the Music room at TCS to gain a better understanding of how our school system runs. This will be a one hour orientation for new families on the history of TCS and how governance is done.



Truth and Reconciliation Day is NEXT Monday, September 30th - Wear Orange

As a school on Sept. 30th, we will take additional time in class to discuss First Nations of Canada and the ways they have enriched our world through God's beautiful design. Each grade will be focusing on an age appropriate familiarization of this important part of Canadian history. We celebrate First Nations by wearing orange and extend the learning (that covers this subject currently) within our Social Studies curriculum for students.



New to TCS this September? We need to hear how your children are doing these first few weeks!

New families, this is another reminder... We want to know how the first few weeks of school went for each of your children. Please ask each of your children how the first week went and email your homeroom teacher and copy the principal (rberg@timothychristianschool.a) with this feedback. Ask them about how they are settling in, how their buddies are working and a few things about the new school..then email both their teacher and the principal 3 - 6 lines of feedback by this Friday. As a staff we really appreciate this as it helps us track and support your children as they settle into the TCS culture!

We have heard from about 20% of our new families and we want to receive an email from every new family!

👉 ***If you have not done so yet, please email this week!***

Terry Fox Run 2024

We will be running our annual Terry Fox fundraiser for Cancer Research THIS Friday, September 20! We are excited to raise money for this event as we remember Terry's dream of each Canadian donating \$1 towards this cause and trying your best, **NO MATTER WHAT!** Students are asked to bring in a loonie or toonie on run day. Last year we raised a grand total of **\$1905.98** - let's see if we can surpass this amount this year! To show our school spirit we also invite all students to dress in our national colours of **RED** and **WHITE!** We have a full roster of parent volunteers so no more help is needed at this point. *Thank you to those parents that have volunteered!*



We will be running around the TCS track:

- JK - Gr. 4 will do their run from 9:30-10:30
- Grades 5-8 will be running from 11:00-12:20

Let's "Try like Terry" and run together for this worthy cause like the 'masterpieces' God has created us to be!

Please note that TCS is not able to provide tax receipts for donations towards the Terry Fox run that are sent to the school.

PITCH Opportunity: "Kiss and Ride" lane monitors needed 3:20 to 3:35pm each day... We are still looking!

Later this week we will be starting a "Kiss and Ride" lane at the front of the school in an effort to keep students safe. We have a morning volunteer and are still looking for two afternoon volunteers to earn PITCH hours monitoring the front

Key dates in September:

Tues & Thurs - 3:30-5pm Soccer Team practices
18-20 Gr 8 trip to Medeba

19 7-8pm New parent Orientation
(2.5 PITCH hrs for attending)
20 9am Chapel
Terry Fox Run

24 lunch - Cross Country tryouts Gr 7 & 8
26 lunch - Cross Country tryouts Gr 1- 6
27 School Picture Day!
30 Orange Day!

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sidewalk and the grassy island at the front. The commitment is from 3:20pm to 3:35pm each day. Let the office know if you are interested in earning your PITCH hours doing this task.

Soccer Grades 6-8

Reminders to the soccer team: Cleats, shin guards and soccer socks are needed for each practice. Practices will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 - 5pm. Parents, please be sure to be here by 4:50pm to meet your child at the back gate after practice. If you have any questions regarding TCS soccer, please contact Mrs. Cindy Dykstra (cdykstra@timothychristianschool.ca).



Pizza & Hot Dog lunch orders due in 4 days! Friday, Sept 20

Hot Lunch Orders - PIZZA AND HOT DOGS - Orders due THIS Friday - Sept 20th!

The hot dog and pizza orders are on ONE form and you will be pre-ordering for the ENTIRE year.

Please click [THIS LINK](#) for Google Order Form

Please work through the form carefully and complete all required portions. There will be two main options:

1. To place a consistent order for the year (e.g. I would like my child to have 1 hot dog and 2 slices of pizza for each hot lunch day throughout the year)
2. You can order weekly (you will need to select the quantity you want of each type of lunch for each individual date listed)

There are two main options for payment... Pay all at once... OR... Split the payment into 8 equal installments to be withdrawn throughout the year. Payments can be made through pre-authorized withdrawal, cash, or cheque (please label cash or cheques clearly with child's first and last name and "Hot Lunch").

Please note that there will be *no* hot lunches the week before Christmas or March Break. If a hot lunch falls on a holiday, it will be rescheduled to a Wednesday. Missed orders due to absence will not be made up or refunded. Missed orders due to snow days will be rescheduled. Watch the newsletter for details! Hot lunch days are a fundraiser to support activities and equipment in our school. Thank you for your support

 **First Hot Dog Day: Sept. 30**

 **First Pizza Day: Oct. 4**

Orders are DUE by THIS Friday (including payment)! Be sure to get your order in before this date to avoid missing out on hot lunches this year! No late orders will be accepted.

PITCH Opportunity: Hot Dog Day Volunteers Needed

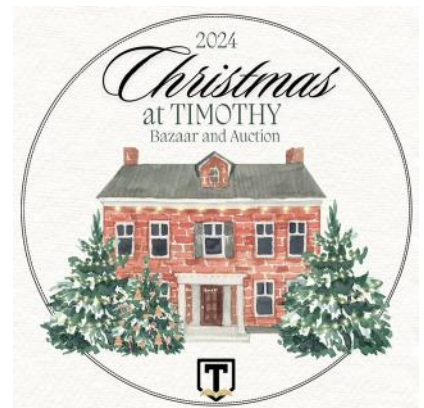
We are looking for volunteers to help on Mondays (and a few Wednesdays) from 11:15am-1:15pm. If you are interested, please email Rachel Kapteyn at davidandrachelkapteyn@gmail.com. Volunteer to help with hot dog days and earn PITCH hours! You will need a Vulnerable Sector Police Check on file. The first hot dog day is Sept 30.

Christmas Bazaar & Auction - Saturday, November 16

Planning is underway for the school's biggest event of the year! Mark your calendars for "Christmas at Timothy", Bazaar and Auction on Saturday, November 16. This is an event you won't want to miss... we host about 1500+ guests for a fun day of food, shopping and the competitive auction!

This event would not be possible without the help of all of our wonderful volunteers. So please click the link below, and complete the Volunteer Form and get those PITCH hours in!!

[Click here for the Christmas at Timothy Volunteer Google Form](#)



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We are looking for help in these areas:

- Setup/Takedown Crew: Help is needed on Nov 15 & 16.
- Auction Attendants: Monitor & assist during the auction.
- Raffle Attendance: Selling raffle tickets during the event.
- Parking Attendants: Directing traffic through the parking lot and keeping the school sidewalks clear of snow.
- Bake Sale: Help is needed to sell all of the delicious baked goods that are donated.
- Cafeteria: Assist with preparing, and serving delicious food and desserts.
- Kids Wing: Adults and Students (grade 7&8) needed to help run the games, face painting and prize table.

If you have any questions, please contact Brianne Currie: bri.sauder@gmail.com

To help at TCS School / Class events... All volunteers need a current Vulnerable Sector Screen Police Check

All volunteers doing volunteer PITCH hours at school (or with a class off site) during the school day will need a current Vulnerable Sector Screen (VSS) on file in the office. TCS considers a VSS to be current if it was done within the past 3 years. TCS will provide a letter that can be used to support your online application with your local police department so the screen will be done at no charge. If you have had a check done in the last 3 years, please forward it to the office (send a copy with your child to school or email a copy).

Anyone that needs a VSS (or an update) can request one at the VSS table at the BBQ... An office rep will provide the letter via email to you.

TCS School Directory: Family & Employee

Remember you have access to our TCS family contact information as well as our TCS staff emails in Sycamore. Log in to your Sycamore School account via <https://app.sycamoreschool.com/index.php?schoolid=3982>. You will find the family and employee directories under "Front Office" in the menu. You can print this by clicking the blue "PRINT" in the top right of the page. Family contact info and emails will not be shared from the office or classroom.

Bradford Greenhouses Fundraising Program

When you are shopping for fall gardening and lawn supplies and home decor, please remember our fundraising program with Bradford Greenhouses (in Barrie or in Bradford).



Before the cashier starts to ring through your purchases please mention that you would like your purchase to support Timothy Christian School. Thank you!

Bus information

TCS parents, you are welcome to call **Landmark Bus Lines Barrie** (our bus company) anytime the buses are on the road to check in with dispatch on an ETA. **Landmark's contact: 705-722-6666**. Additionally, the office will send an email to bus route families to inform them of any delays... Please be patient with us as we are updating our route email lists in the office.



****Remember TCS is a nut-free school. Please be sure all snacks/lunches do not have items that contain nuts****