



# TIMOTHY

## CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



### From the Principal...

#### Edvance Christian Schools Teachers' Convention was Outstanding!

Good, deep and meaningful professional development is alive and well at TCS!

Your TCS staff spent the day last Thursday listening to the following keynote speakers for the Edvance Christian Schools Association Annual Gathering 2020 (online):

- David Brooks speaking on "How Schools Prepare Students for Life"
- Mary Ashun on "Having the Courage to Boldly Go Through..."
- Dr. Steve Sider on "Whose Education Counts? A Personal Reckoning of Who is my Neighbour?"

It was a wonderful day of digging deep into Christian vision on topics like *understanding community in this present culture, dealing with racism in our culture and making sure every student who walks through the doors of TCS is both seen and understood.*

On Friday we spent a good part of the morning talking through the above areas pushing ourselves in these topics. We also spent time training our staff on the new office software system we will be using which will incorporate our TCS report cards. Parents will notice some changes in format to the January report cards as we had to change the layout a bit to merge them into the new office software. We are excited about this new system as it takes us to a new level of both efficiency and security with our student reporting system.

#### Parent/Teacher Interview Booking through Sycamore School

Parents, be on the lookout for an email from the TCS Office walking you through the steps on how to book your parent/teacher interviews for November 18<sup>th</sup> (4-8:45pm) or November 20<sup>th</sup> (9am-12pm).

Note: Reminder from the school calendar that there will be **no classes for students on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>** due to parent/teacher interviews in the morning and set up for the Bazaar in the afternoon (drive through pick up at the school on Saturday).

Due to the high number of COVID-19 cases in the GTA, we will be taking the same route that most schools in Ontario are taking and that is running our parent/teacher interviews online. You will still have a chance for a face to face talk with your child's teacher... just online instead of at the school. Like other school systems, we felt it was the safer route running the interviews online vs.

taking the chance of having 200+ parents come into the school face to face. It seems to be the wiser and safer route for staff, parents, and students to keep the potential of spreading down. We have been very, very thankful how the school year has gone so far and want to keep things going in a good direction keeping everyone safe. Thank you in advance, TCS parents, for your support in this journey.

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#### NOVEMBER

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| 2  | Dutch Store & Garden Décor Order<br>Deadline at <a href="https://timothychristianschool.ca/shop">timothychristianschool.ca/shop</a><br>Online Auction begins! |
| 4  | Picture Retake Day  |
| 11 | Remembrance Day Chapel (Gr. 5)<br>Progress Reports go home  |

1 "...As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light." – 1 Peter 2:9 NLT



**TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**  
*Christmas Bazaar and Auction*  
 Online between **November 2<sup>nd</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
*\*Pick up will take place at the school on Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. (10am - 2pm).*  
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### **TCS Christmas Bazaar & Auction - NOW ONLINE!**

Today is the **LAST DAY** for Dutch Store and Garden orders. Visit <https://www.timothychristianschool.ca/shop> TODAY so you don't miss out! And today we are pretty excited to announce that the online auction is now LIVE! Visit <https://app.galabid.com/tcsbazaar2020> to check it out! There are a wide variety of items so there's something for everyone! Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> will be the pickup day at TCS for all Dutch Store, Garden, and auction items. To access the auction, you can click the link above (or find it from the TCS website) and click on the 'Register' button. Follow the instructions to complete your registration. OR you can Register via SMS by texting **tcsbazaar2020** and your **full name** to **+12267980488**

Example: tcsbazaar2020 John Smith ... and then follow the registration link you are sent – it's that easy!

Thanks for your support and please don't forget to share our posts on social media to help get the word out!

### **From the Office...**

#### **SMDHU COVID-19 Screening Updates**

Please visit <https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/Topics/COVID-19/Return-to-School/Families> for up to date information (this page is always updated). Below are a few links that may be most helpful for our TCS parents and families.

- COVID-19 Student Screening Tool (SMDHU): <https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/docs/default-source/COVID-/Return-to-school/covid-19-student-screening-tool.pdf?sfvrsn=0>
- Ontario's Online School Screening Tool: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>
- My Child Did Not Pass the COVID-19 Daily Screening. Now What? <https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/docs/default-source/COVID-/Return-to-school/my-child-did-not-pass-the-covid-19-daily-screening--now-what.pdf?sfvrsn=4>
- Employee/Visitor Screening Tool (SMDHU): <https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/docs/default-source/COVID-/Return-to-school/covid-19-screening-tool-for-school-or-child-care.pdf?sfvrsn=4>



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