



TIMOTHY

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal...

Celebrating Student Work at TCS during the Teacher-Led Online Learning Pathway!

A lot of amazing student work has gone on over the past nine weeks that we have run this Teacher-Led Online Learning Pathway. Over the next two weeks we will celebrate this student work with pictures in the newsletter. From work on projects to stories written to artwork to amazing work in Bible and Christian perspective... our TCS students have been working hard! Please take the time to look over the good work that you will see in this and next week's newsletter with pictures of this student work! Way to go TCS students! In the middle of very different circumstances... *learning has thrived at TCS* over the past nine weeks. Celebrate with us as you view the pictures! (*Please note: parents and students have given permission for these pictures to be posted*)

Report Cards in June for Term Two

The TCS staff have been working hard on a June 2020 report card. Please note that this June report card will be based on all of the student work from February 1st to June 19th (the full second term). A portion of that assessment will be based on the 'in-class' work that was while school was in session from February 1st to March 12 (before March Break). The second part of Term Two will be the Teacher-Led Online Learning Pathway that started on March 25th and goes till June 19th. These Term Two report cards will focus on the four areas of Math, Literacy, Bible, and Projects, which have been the consistent four strands throughout the full Term Two. *We are very proud to say that throughout this entire COVID-19 time of school closure and self-isolation, TCS students have officially only lost two days of school as the online program was launched the third day after spring break.*

PD Day on Friday, June 5th

Please note, there will be no school on Friday, June 5th as TCS staff have their regularly scheduled PD Day for Term Two report card writing. This will be a PD Day regardless of if school is back in session or still online (due to the fact that our teaching staff need time to write report cards either way). We await the announcement today of school returning either in June or September.

Spring Society Update next Thursday, May 28th

We are planning an online Spring Society Update on Thursday, May 28th at 7:00pm. All the information for this meeting was sent out last week Friday. **To receive the link for this online meeting, you must register using the following link:**
<https://forms.gle/Poie7itYX7QVkdRT9> If you have any questions you would like the Board to address, please also include these in your registration for this meeting.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM
ALL OF US AT TCS!

- May 18: Andrew (5), Mrs. Pearson
- May 21: Rachel Y (8)
- May 22: Sophie (3)





TCS Family Track and Field Day – Extended!

A huge thank you to the TCS families who registered and ran laps last Friday in place of the TCS Track & Field Day. Since Friday was a wet and rainy day, we had many requests to extend the laps throughout this week! Please use this full week to get active as a family and do some ‘family laps’ either around your house, block, or down a trail and submit how many kilometers your family completes! Submit your family’s kilometres here by this Friday: <https://forms.gle/GSex1HA2yymVoWfQ9>

Pictures of Student Work to Share with our Community?

During this time of teacher-led online learning, there have been many projects happening across the grade levels. You may have seen some of the Grade 6-8 students “Spreading Hope” projects on our Facebook and Instagram pages. We think there might be some more inspiring work out there to share from other grades too! If you're interested in sharing your child's work, please feel free to send in a photo and we'll be sure to share it to the Newsletter or on our social media platforms. Please email any pictures to mroberts@timothychristianschool.ca as soon as you can so we can begin to showcase their great projects!

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is a powerful part of our community at TCS. For this reason, the staff prays for a group of families each week. The TCS staff prayed for the Tjeerdsma, Uyenaka, VanBodegom, van Campen, and Van Loenen (A&J) families during devotions this week. May you feel God’s ever ready presence in your decisions and experiences.

Helpful Educational Websites for TCS Students

Looking for good educational websites that your children can work on when they are finished with schoolwork? Here is a link with several resources:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1n7j6v8WZk1Co7zulqQtCOXJf4nujvtT6Y-Xys0sCods/edit?usp=sharing>

Thanks to Miss Gronfors who surveyed the TCS classroom teachers and pulled together a list of websites that parents may find helpful from Primary through to Senior grades as well as French. We will try and update these websites now and then throughout the next few weeks.

Grass Cutting Volunteers

We are looking for new recruits to cut grass this year. We will still have our regular team of lawn maintenance people but it's always excellent to have more people on board if you're able and willing to help out! Please email Mike Huitema at mandbhuitema@hotmail.com if you're interested in helping or have any other questions. Thank you!



TCS Spring Annual Drive 2020

The COVID-19 crisis has affected many of us in different ways. Families have been affected by financial strains due to job loss, and we have had to cancel our Rental opportunities which we depend on as income. As stressful as this time has been for all of us, we are so thankful that our teaching and administrative staff were able to quickly collaborate to develop the “teacher-led online learning” platform. This was integrated the week after March Break and has been a successful way to connect the teachers with their students to continue their curriculum education online. Due to all of these challenges, the annual budget at TCS has been impacted and we pray that with your help, we can stabilize our budget this year.

*We urge you to consider supporting our Spring Annual Drive to aid in stabilizing our budget this year. Please see the attached Donor Card or go to our **NEW** “Support TCS” tab on our website: www.timothychristianschool.ca ; press Donate Now. **YOU CAN SUPPORT US ONLINE!***

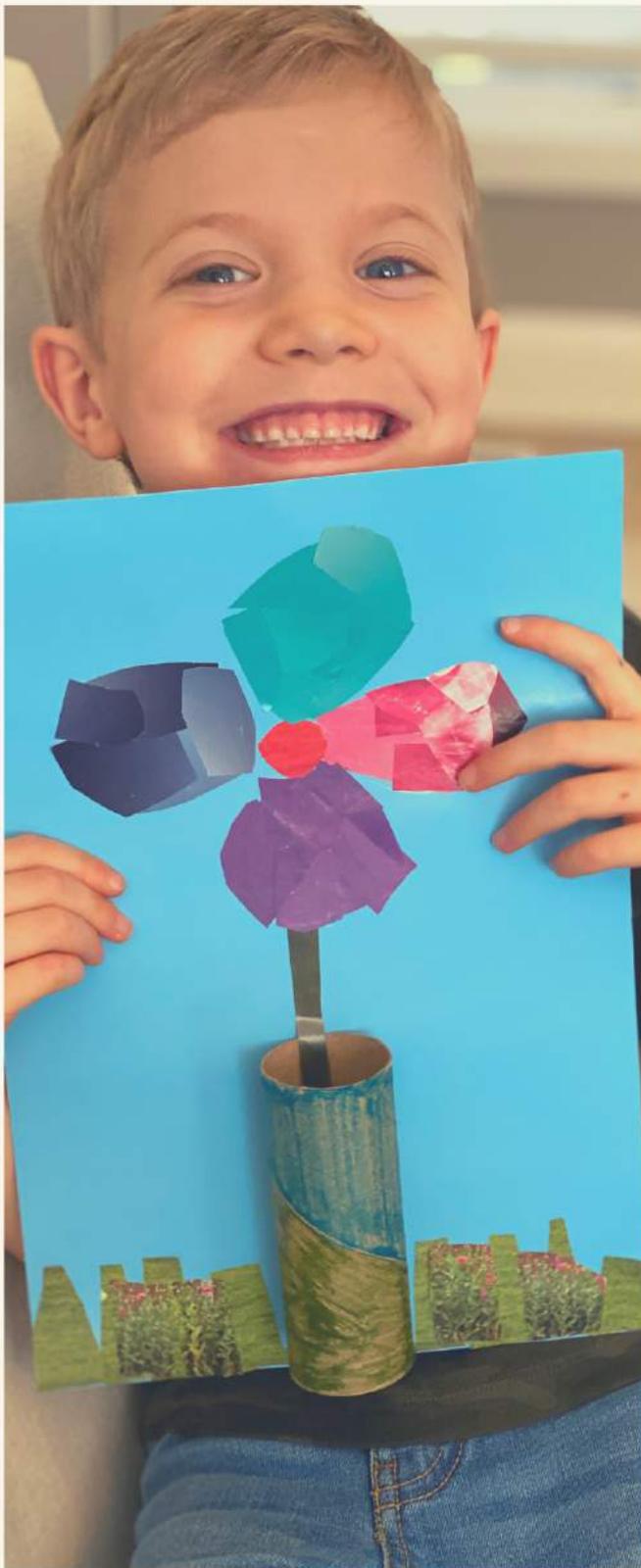
TCS relies heavily on the financial support of our extended TCS Community. This support enables us to offer a moderated tuition rate for all families, provide additional discount programs and needs-based tuition assistance, as well as achieve other strategic dreams and necessary initiatives. Would you consider supporting the wonderful work of Timothy Christian School through our Annual Drive this year? Through your support, you will help to ensure that our students will continue to receive dynamic and quality Christian education. Your investment would have a lasting impact on the families and students that God has entrusted us with. Our Annual Drive goal for the year is \$125,000, will you help us to reach this goal?



Watch for an email this week and please support any way you can. Thank you in advance.

Spring 2020
Annual Drive

TCS STUDENT WORK





My Psalms

May 14
Isaiah

Dear God, My God

I cry tears from my heart, not my eyes.

I drink water from my soul, not my mouth.

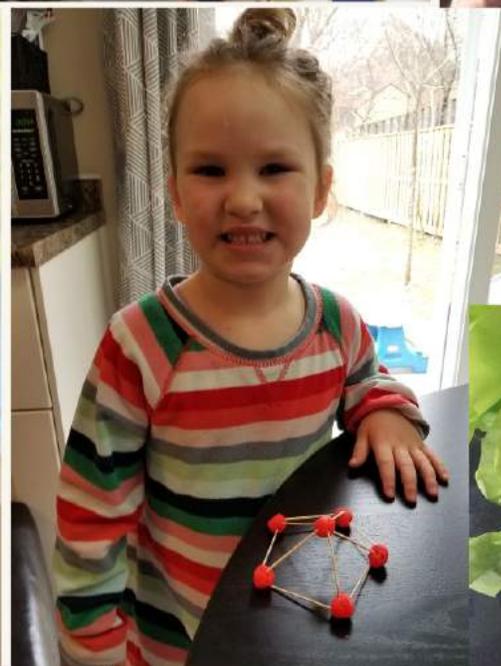
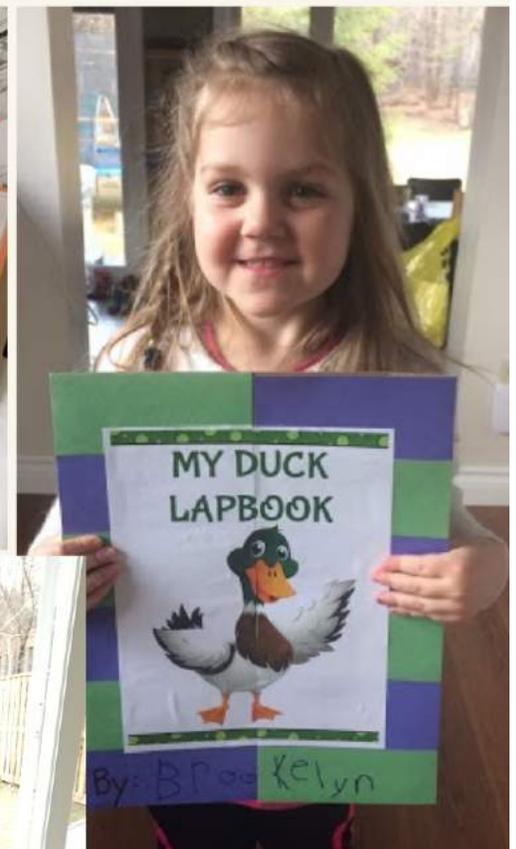
You feed me with your thoughts, not with your hands.

God I do not eat, you feed me.

I do not drink, you provide for me.

I do not cry in shame,

God I do not cry in shame because you have already forgiven me.



Title: The Rock in the Drain**By: Grayson W**

Beginning: One morning, a boy named Sam went outside for a walk. As he was walking he stepped on a small rock on the sidewalk. He picked it up. The rock was smooth, shiny, and golden, gleaming in the sun shine. Sam stared at the rock for a while, it was a treasure! He decided to bring it home to keep it. Sam headed home for lunch. When Sam got home his Mom said “ Sam, go wash your hands for lunch.” When he was washing his hands, he took the rock out to wash it in the water, the rock rolled out of hands, swirled around the sink, and went down the drain. Sam felt really sad and wanted to get his treasure back. Sam ran to his Dad and said “I found this amazing rock that was my treasure but I dropped it and it went down the drain. Dad, can you help me get it back?” His Dad said “ I will help you get it back! Come to my workshop.”

Middle: Sam went to his Dad’s workshop. His Dad said “Quickly eat this pill, go back to the bathroom and sit on the counter”. When he got on the counter he started to shrink, smaller smaller, and smaller. Finally, he stopped shrinking, he was so small the sink looked like a mile away. Then he looked around, Sam saw his Dad. His Dad was huge! A minute later he shrunk too, down to the size of an ant. They jumped into the sink and headed to the drain, it smelled gross and mucky. They look down the hole. Sam’s Dad jumped in first, and called to Sam “It’s ok, come down!” Sam jumped into the drain after his Dad. Then Sam heard something coming behind him, it was rushing water. His Mom is washing her hands. He called to his Dad, “run” he yelled. The water hit his back hard and cold, “It’s to late, it got me”. His dad stared at the water coming, he didn’t move. The water hit him and carried him away with Sam. They were swept down. Sam called to his dad, “Take the first pipe on the right”. They take the pipe and they can stand. The water is still very deep, up to Sam’s nose, and Sam feels very scared. He starts to swim, his dad swims with him. Then they see a big bump, Sam looks at it hard. He stares and stares at it. It starts to move toward them. Sam sees legs and realizes that it is a massive water beetle. Sam says to his Dad “Jump on!” His Dad listens and jumps on the water beetle’s back. Sam can’t reach but his Dad pulls him up. Sam says to his Dad, “this water beetle will help us find the rock!”

End: They begin to explore the pipes on the back of the water beetle. They see something shining in front of them. “It’s my rock,” Sam yells. His Dad grabs the rock as they go by, “This is heavy” he says. They turn the water beetle around using its antenna and head back for the sink. The water beetle takes them to drain and they climb out with the rock. Just as they climb onto the counter they start to grow bigger. The shrinking pill has started to wear off. At that moment Sam’s mom sticks her head in the bathroom and says “Come eat lunch, I’ve been looking for you.” Sam’s Dad hands him his rock and Sam puts it safely back in his pocket.