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CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From the Principal...

Tribute to Mrs. Goodnough and Mrs. Pearson (retiring at the end of August)

For those who missed the Zoom membership update last Thursday evening, we had a 'tribute in pictures' to our two retiring teachers, Mrs. Goodnough and Mrs. Pearson. We stopped for a minute with a slide of both of their school email addresses and asked all those viewing to send out a short blessing or word of thanks to the two of them to bless them at this time. If you have not done that yet, please take the time when you read this reminder in the newsletter. Brenda Goodnough - bgoodnough@timothychristianschool.ca and Wilma Pearson - wpearson@timothychristianschool.ca Here is a link to the video celebrating these two long term teachers for those that may have missed it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B7STgIpZtnk>

Report Card Writing Day this Friday, June 5th (PA Day—No School)

A reminder that school this week will run from Monday to the end of the day this Thursday. Please note, as stated in the TCS yearly calendar, that there will be no school this Friday as it is a Professional Activity Day that will be a report card writing day for our TCS teaching staff. The report cards will focus on the four strands of Math, Literacy, Bible and Projects that we have focused on for this entire second term. A reminder that report cards will be completed by staff over the next few weeks and will be emailed out to TCS parents in the morning of Friday, June 19 (the last day of school).

Board Reflections from the May 25th Board Meeting

- The administration presented the adapted approach to grade 8 graduation to the Board and they approved this approach (social distancing and following all the provincial COVID-19 guidelines were reviewed in this process which includes nobody leaving their cars)
- The Board is looking into finishing the installation of all the motion sensor/hands free taps throughout the school (all primary washrooms and some other areas were changed over to motion sensors already several years ago for health and water saving reasons). August is the target to complete this process of the remaining areas that still need to be changed over in preparation for school starting.
- Thank you to those who attended the Virtual Society Update, the Board appreciates your attendance and interest.
- What will Ontario schools look like in September 2020? The principal led the Board in a discussion of what in person school may look like this fall. The provincial government will be coming out with clear guidelines for how schools will look, but the TCS Board is starting the process of looking at potential budget related items to anticipate this change. Motion sensor taps are part of that.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM
ALL OF US AT TCS!

- June 1: Elias (1)
- June 2: Adeo (5)
- June 3: Ocean (3)
- June 4: Sienna (2), Lincoln (5)

**re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie - South: Opening Today!**

If you attended our membership update last Thursday evening, you will have seen this clip from CTV that shows Marissa Van Loenen (TCS parent and also a Board member of the re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie - South) letting the greater community of Barrie know that they are now open for business as of today, June 1st! Here is the link for those that missed it: <https://barrie.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=1967532>

TCS parents, please pass on to friends and family that the thrift shop has been closed for several months and now needs our support both in business and volunteers. Here is the information from the Society Update. Please email resource.barrie@outlook.com if you're able to help out in any way!



re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie - South



We are planning to re-open starting Monday, June 1st. We are working diligently to get all of our ducks in a row for extra sanitation in the store, including providing masks and gloves to our volunteers, social distancing procedures, customer number restrictions, and sanitation station.

During this time, as can be expected, for numerous reasons, we are short on volunteers - if you are able to help out please email **resource.barrie@outlook.com**.



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Re-Source Thrift Shop Barrie - South

<https://www.facebook.com/reSourceThriftShopBarrieSouth/>

Grade 8 Graduation on Friday, June 12th

Graduation 2020 planning for grade 8 students is well on the way! At the end of last week, the grade 8 parents received a detailed memo on the three parts to our grade 8 graduation this year which include:

1. A pre-recorded video that will be emailed out to graduates on June 11th from Mr. Wilcox.
2. A drive in/drive by style celebration (respectful of social distancing and staying in cars) on June 12, which will include a community drive-by from 7:00-7:30 in cars only (see more details in the newsletter next Monday).
3. A mention and applause at the start of the TCS Community BBQ in September with all grade 8 graduates (if we are allowed).



We also have some special opportunities on LIFE 100.3 (local Christian radio station) that will be aired on the morning of June 12 that we will also be publishing. Stay tuned for more details next week.

Pick Up/Drop Off Day for Student Items at TCS

We are planning for a drive-through style pick up at the end of the last few days of school on either June 18th or 19th to allow parents to pick up student items (yearbooks, pizza \$, etc.) and drop off textbooks, Chromebooks, instruments, jerseys, etc. If you can wait for that, we would appreciate doing it in a mass drive though like we did for grades 3-8 parents back in April.

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/1n7j6v8WZk1Co7zulqQtC0XJf4nujvtT6Y-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.

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 Villeneuve and (all 3!) Walker families during devotions this week. May you feel God's ever ready presence in your decisions and experiences.

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!





“Sing Together” – Christian Elementary Schools Music Project!

This is a project being launched by Edvance Christian Schools Association to bring together students from other Christian elementary schools to sing with the gladness of our good and faithful God. Edvance invites TCS to participate in a collaborative singing project—a digital video compilation of hundreds of students singing “Build My Life” together! “Build My Life” is a contemporary worship song that captures the idea of building a firm foundation on God. In these challenging times, singing together gives our children an opportunity to bring joy, to bear witness to God’s grace, and to express their faith and trust in God. This music project will mark a hard time in our history with an enduring message of hope.

The song learning materials are fully prepared for students to do at home, and will be accessible to parents via an online website www.edvancesingtogether.ca. Submissions will be due by **June 10, 2020**.

Parents will find on this link:

- A backing track for kids to sing along to
- Words and a lyric video with the backing track (karaoke-style)
- Easy filming instructions for parents (no special equipment required—just a cell phone!)
- Instructions on how to upload the videos filmed at home

If you have any questions or are having troubles accessing anything on the link please contact Sarah Burt at Edvance, by email at sarah.burt@edvance.ca, she is the collaborative leader for this project. There is no need to email the videos to any TCS teachers or staff; the process is so simple! The final musical compilation video will be posted as a private Youtube link for parents and students to see and it will be shared with TCS if our students choose to participate in this province wide activity, making history and uniting hearts. We are so excited to see the final product! Enjoy!





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. *YOU CAN SUPPORT US ONLINE!* Click here

https://www.christianschoolfoundation.ca/donate-individual/?donate_to=Timothy-Barrie or visit our website www.timothychristianschool.ca and click on “Support TCS”.

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?