

STAY IN TOUCH

WITH TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

TCS Celebrates 41 Students in JK and SK for September 2015

Mr. Rod Berg



This year Timothy Christian School was very blessed with a wave of new families of which a very high percentage landed in kindergarten.

kindergarten class you will see 3 and 4 year olds *standing in awe* taking in the Bible stories with a sincerity and eagerness that

Some facts about our three kindergarten classes that you may not know:

- 52% of our 23 families new to TCS this year had children in JK or SK
- The students in JK and SK make up almost 20% of our overall TCS student population of 218
- We welcomed Brooke Davis, our newest JK teacher to our staff on August 27th when TCS added a third kindergarten class to accommodate the student numbers in those classes. Mrs. Pearson is the official staff mentor for Miss Davis throughout this school year helping her settle in and become part of the TCS staff culture.



can bring you to tears.

The thread of Christian vision goes much deeper than Bible or prayer time on the carpet. I have seen over and over again how kindergarten teachers unpack our Father's awesome creation throughout the school day. At one time it may be about how

The Value of JK and SK at a Christian School

There is something very special about JK and SK students at a Christian school. If you have ever had the pleasure of sitting in on morning devotions in a

amazing a creature God created in the blue whale while students study in amazement its size and ability. Other times it is through a transportation



unit that deeply connects students to the local community they live in while processing how not to pollute God's good creation. At other times it is while studying a "when I grow up unit" that reminds 4 year olds that they are fearfully and wonderfully made in the image of God and they have gifts and skills that God is developing in them.

Some will argue that it makes no different if a child attends a public or Christian school during the kindergarten years...*after all, it is only Kindergarten.* Kind of like saying it...

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Upcoming EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 11 Remembrance Day Chapel
- 18 Volleyball Tournament
- 20 PD Day
- 21 Christmas Bazaar
- 26 Full Chapel &
Fall Society Meeting

DECEMBER

- 10 Christmas Program
- 18 Family Skating
- 19-3 Christmas Holidays

JANUARY

- 8 Full Chapel
- 23 Scrapday

FEBRUARY

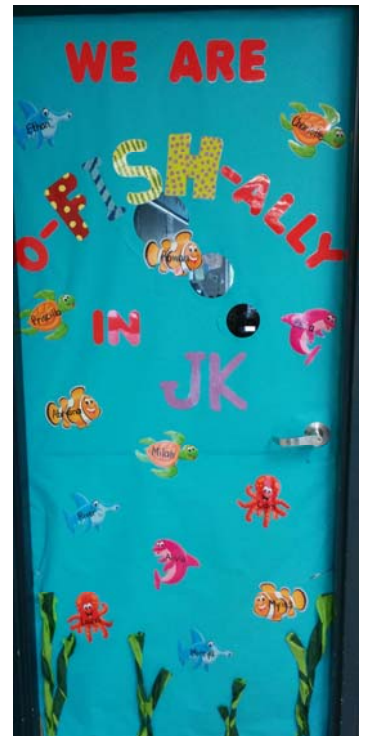
- 5 Hockey Tournament
- 9 Open House (9am-noon)
- 15 Family Day (no school)
- 18 Basketball Tournament
- 19 Full Chapel
- 26 TCS Speechfest
- 29 PD Day

...makes no difference in Barrie at minus 30 in 10 centimeters of snow if you have summer or winter tires on your car.

Kindergarten in a Christian school...where the rubber meets the road at the starting point in Christian education. At TCS, we feel that the framework of Christian vision starts at three years old and students gain traction while building a Christian worldview at the earliest point of entry.

Psalm 139:13 - "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb!"

Welcome Mr. Daniel Wilcox and Miss Brooke Davis



We welcome Mr. Daniel Wilcox as our new grade six teacher! Daniel completed his Bachelor degree at Laurentian University and his Bachelor of Education at the University of Toronto. He also spent a year at Briercrest Bible College and Seminary. He is an Ontario Certified Teacher and is working toward his Christian School Teaching Certificate. Daniel also brings a lot of expertise and experience in sports and coaching to TCS. We look forward to Daniel being a blessing to the TCS community and ask that you take the time to welcome him when you see him.

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We also welcomed Miss Brooke Davis as our new JK teacher! Brooke completed her bachelor degree at Lakehead University and is also an Ontario Certified Teacher. She has been a longtime member at Mapleview Community Church with a huge passion for teaching young children! She is an active volunteer with music, youth and children's ministries at Mapleview and we are blessed to have her join our staff! Make sure you welcome her when you see Brooke in the hallway!



Labels For Education For those who don't know, the school collects Campbell's soup (and other Campbell's products) labels and we receive points toward sports equipment and other school supplies. Last June we had enough points to receive a class set of LaCrosse rackets, a class set of hockey sticks, a tug of war rope and some coloured pilons! Thank you so much to those of you who collect! Those who don't—why not start now! Just bring the labels into the school and we will take care of the rest! For a complete list of eligible product labels, see the link under the "Fundraising" tab on the school's website!



Grade 3 and 4 Swimming

The Grades 3 and 4 classes have been enjoying their physical education class at the Holly Rec. Community Center swimming pool every Wednesday afternoon. They are participating in a 10 week series of lessons in which each child has been assessed and placed in an appropriate level for his/her abilities. These lessons are conducted by certified swimming instructors employed by the city of Barrie. What a great experience it has been as students eagerly anticipate their lessons every Wednesday.



Kindergarten Learns About Milk

The kindergarten classes had a special interactive presentation all about milk! They are learning about food groups and where our food comes from! Charlotte Lange had activities for students to place items in different food groups and everyone learned a lot!



M O N A R C H B U T T E R F L I E S in SK



Students in SK took part in a monarch tag and release program through Butterfly Kisses Educational Outreach. Heather Willett, “the butterfly lady,” taught the students about this amazing insect which migrates all the way to Mexico in the Fall. She left a monarch chrysalis with the class, and students watched its incredible transformation into a butterfly. By participating with scientists in this program, the class demonstrated God’s creation by promoting the conservation of monarchs and their habitat.



Kindergarten’s Apple Orchard Trip

The kindergarten classes enjoyed a beautiful Fall morning at the Koole’s apple orchard in September. The students participated in various apple centres, learned about the seasons of the apple trees, and went on a wagon ride through the orchard where everyone picked an apple. Back at school, students prepared and tasted some delicious applesauce.



Soccer On October 8th God blessed the two Timothy soccer teams with beautiful weather as they headed to the North Toronto District Soccer Tournament at the Barrie Sports Complex in Midhurst. Both teams played well and by the day's end were exhausted after playing six games each! By a very close, close call, Barrie Team #2



came away with second place. The students were blessed to have a number of well trained and experienced parent volunteer coaches who had worked with them since the second week of school! The teams were comprised of 32 students from grades 6,7, and 8. All participants were required to sign a Christian Athlete's Code of Conduct. It is truly a blessing to participate in a tournament that glorifies God both in physical ability and true Christ like sportsmanship attitudes. Well done to all!



Cross Country Owen Sound's Timothy Christian School hosted this years Cross Country run for a new venue! Unfortunately it was a rainy day; however, that didn't stop the team from running hard! TCS Barrie brought home 2 trophies this year—one for the midget boys and one for the senior girls! Midget girls, junior girls, junior boys and senior girls all came so close with 2nd place! As far as the individual racers go, Elissa Frielink came in 1st place and Bethany Nelson took home 3rd in the senior girls division! In midget boys, Eliot Weening also placed 3rd! Congratulations to all participants who worked hard during the season and did an amazing job! GOOO KNIGHTS!!!

Grade 3 Goes to the Library

Field trips! Field trips! Field trips! Many students, teachers and parent chaperones love field trips. They are a wonderful way for students to see "learning in action". Many learners come away from a field trip consolidating their learning in class with an active hands on experience. Often, students don't realize they are in fact learning, and teachers come away smiling knowing that the opposite is in fact true! At Timothy many wonderful field trips occur throughout the



school year from JK-grade 8 including trips to the Apple Orchard, Ottawa, Rounds Ranch, Pioneer Village, the Science Centre and many more!



On October 21, the Grade three class visited the Barrie Public Library where former TCS parent and current librarian Ruby Meijers read to them and toured them through the facility. This consolidated the classroom experience as she discussed genre and levelled books, topics we have focussed on in our Guided Reading and Literature Program.

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GRADE 5 CANADIAN GOVERNMENT



In Social Studies, the Grade 5 class was studying Canadian Government. Using the student vote program provided by CIVIX, the students prepared party platforms for the 5 parties in the Innisfil-Barrie Riding. In groups, the students prepared and presented information to the Grade 4 and Grade 6 classes. Students then went to the polls and voted for the candidate of their choice. Students experienced what is involved in the voting process and are confident and excited to vote when they are 18 years of age.



TCS MISSION

Timothy Christian School develops children through biblically based educational programs by nurturing professionals equipping our children to be active Christians in God's world.



TCS VISION

Timothy Christian School delivers a dynamic, vibrant learning environment offering leading edge programs that inspire children to be alive in Christ.

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