



TCS Newsreel

"Set your hearts on things above, where Christ is...Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things." Col 3:1-2

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

During these past few weeks I have attended two conferences through the OACS (Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools). This year much focus has been on the mission of our schools. The OACS is reminding us how important it is that our missions drive all that we do in the school. At our membership meeting last week we also looked at how we as a school can be kept relevant in today's age, and what we should be doing to stay true to our mission. It is something our Board and our Staff is being reminded of regularly and gives us cause to ponder and reflect. It was a good meeting on Thursday evening. Staff members shared how their curriculum is Christ-centred and how they achieve this in their classrooms. We are blessed with staff that is committed to their jobs. As our mission states: Timothy Christian School provides, for the children of Christian families, a nurturing Christian environment where staff lead students to strive for excellence in all areas of learning. That is what we do with the grace of God. It is not always easy but we want our students to succeed, to do their best, to be excited to come to school and be excited about their learning.

I ask that you continue to pray for our school. Pray that God gives us the wisdom to be a school where He is the centre, where He is glorified daily and where His Holy Spirit leads and guides us in all we do.

We welcome Mr. Eric Venema to our school until the 15th of December. He will be teaching grades 7/8 while Mrs. Ubbens is doing her placement in Maple towards here Ontario Teachers Certificate.

I also want to mention that this past Friday evening and Saturday I spent at the Bowmanville Volleyball Tournament. Our students played well and showed excellent sportsmanship. Way to go to both girls and boys teams. Our boys' team won silver, coming in second place, and our girls made it to the semi-finals. Thank you to Allison Groot for coaching our boys' team with the help of Diane Groot. And thanks to Mrs. Ubbens with the help of Erin deHaan, Michelle Dykstra and Tracey Ubbens for coaching our girls' team. It was also great to see so many parents out watching as well. It is a blessing to see students use the gifts that God has given them to enjoy and play the game of Volleyball. Be blessed this week, knowing that He is our Lord and Saviour, our great Shepherd and King.

Newsreel Announcements:
Email to: tcsadmin@rogers.com
Deadline: Wednesday's

CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

November

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| 23 | Conference sheets due |
| 27 | Pizza lunch |
| 28 | Movie Night: Facing the Giants @ 6:30 |
| 30 | Report Cards go home |

December

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| 3, 8 | Parent/Teacher Conferences |
| 5 | Movie: Veggie Tales: St. Nicholas |
| 11 | Pizza lunch |
| 15 | TCS Christmas concert |
| 18 | Annual skating party: NOON DISMISSAL |
| 21- | |
| Jan 3 | Christmas Break |

Please get your parent/teacher conference request forms in by Wednesday so that the schedule can be made up.

TCS CERTIFICATES

We have been advised that Food Basics will now be accepting declining balance gift cards. Due to the fact that we have an inventory of the paper certificates, we will not be purchasing the gift cards until our inventory is sold.

Bowmanville Volleyball Tournament

The excitement and rush of volleyball has calmed and the balls have stopped flying - it was fun!

Boys played hard and entered the final game - they played well placing second overall - Congratulations gentlemen!

Girls played their game - 1, 2, 3 sometimes a strong pass up, sometimes a tip and sometimes a hit - well done ladies finishing third overall. Congratulations to all players!



Thank-you Alison Groot for coaching the boys team.
Thank-you Tracey Ubbens and Erin deHaan and Michelle Dykstra (all Christian students) for assisting the girls coach.
Your time and energy were very much appreciated.
The end of another season - Barbara Ubbens, coach

FROM THE TEACHER'S DESK

PIZZA LUNCH REMINDER

Our next lunch is this Friday, Nov. 27. Sorry, we are unable to accept additional orders.

FROM FUNDRAISING

A correction in that chicken orders will be arriving on Friday, the 27th not Thursday the 26th.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Do you have a Servants Heart?
The hospitality committee is looking for more people to help with food prep and serving for different events throughout the year such as School meetings, Christmas program, Grandparents Day and Graduation. Please call Judy@ 416-245-0108 if you would like to use your talents for Christ in this way.

TCS Prayer Campaign

TCS has started a Prayer Campaign and at the school meeting last Thursday we introduced - **Prayer Cards**. There are 7 cards each marked with a different day of the week. All you need to do is pick out one card and then commit to praying for TCS and its families on that day. Cards are available at school. You can also call the school if you would like a card to be sent home with your child. Together we can enter into this adventure of faith.

Big Red TCS Totes

TCS is now offering multi-use totes. These are perfect for groceries, library books, Walmart shopping etc. Each family will be given a free tote and additional totes will be sold at the school for \$2 each. If you did not receive your free one at the meeting last Thursday we will be sending one home with your child.



MRS. UBBENS – GRADE 7/8

Welcome Mr. Venema to grade 7/8!

Spelling: Test and assignment this week.

Art: a few students need to put final details on their art projects

Math: new unit in math begins– Rate, Ratio and Percent

History and Literature: the Middle Ages visits our class – Willy Jay Roams will be coming home for reading – it is important to keep up so that you can follow the class work

Mme Hudson

French:

Grade 7 Students will be quizzed on 5 new vocabulary words each class until the list is finished. This is to avoid a huge preparation when the test comes. No quizzes will be available.

Grade 8 Parents, please sign and return vocab quizzes if you have not already done so. If you have not yet seen the quiz, please ask your son or daughter for it or contact me.

Fri., Nov. 27: Registres d'écoute. Challenge: 100% class participation this week will result in a small reward.

MS. MIEDEMA – GRADE 5/6

- **Social Studies - Presentations:** Last week, 2 handouts (purple and blue) were given to the students outlining the presentations. Presentations are scheduled to take place on Wednesday, Nov. 25. Students should rehearse what they will say at home before hand. Remember, the presentation must focus on the theme of our unit: Egypt and China were CREATIVE, CONSTRUCTIVE, and COOPERATIVE communities. I'm looking forward to hearing what the students have learned.
- **Literature:** We are concluding our novel study of The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe over the next 2 weeks or so. Students will be preparing final projects based on the book. Details will be given to the students by the end of the week.
- **Gr. 5 Music:** New notes: F#, E, and D. Practice #29, 30, 33, 36, 38, 40, 41 and "Greensleeves" (p. 105).
- **News in a Nutshell Reporters:** Liz, Haemin, and Daniel K. Have your news nutshell prepared for Friday.
- **Devotions Leaders:** Tuesday – Daniel K; Thursday – Garrett

This week:

Wed. Nov. 25 Ancient Egypt, China, and Me Presentations

Thurs. Nov. 26 Spelling Test: Lesson 10

Next week:

Mon. Nov. 30 Report Cards

Thurs. Dec. 3 Spelling Test: Lesson 11

Fri. Dec. 4 Math Test: it 5 (multiples, factors, exponents, & order of operations)

Mme Hudson

French: Students will be quizzed on 5 new vocabulary words each class until the list is finished. This is to avoid a huge preparation when the test comes. No quizzes will be available.

MRS. HUDSON - GRADE 3/4

In Literature we have been talking about works of nonfiction. Part of our discussion has revolved around the idea that even when someone claims to be writing the truth and presents scientific information, our responsibility is to evaluate what we are reading (or seeing, or hearing) according to our belief in what the Bible teaches.

Lyrics to songs for our Christmas program come home today. Please save this package and have your child review the songs regularly. Note not all songs are to be memorized by all students.

Remember to practice math facts. Grade 3-addition. Grade 4-multiplication

The spelling words which came home in last week's newsreel will not be tested this week. Instead we will save them for the next spelling test. Personal word lists will still be tested on Thursday.

Here's a summary of what's coming up:

Thurs., Nov. 26: Spelling test (personal word lists)
Spelling assignments due

Mon., Nov. 30: Library—Please return books to take out new ones.

Mrs. Lise

Gym: The students are doing a great job learning how to serve and bump, in volleyball.

Bible: this week we will be focusing on Deborah, Barak and Jael; and Gideon.

Memory Work: Memory work for this unit is Psalm 135: 13-18. Keep practicing a little every day so that by the end of the unit you know it all. This will be due December 10.

Ms. Chiang

Grade 3/4 Science

Last week the students worked well exploring the different types of levers. They were able to note the importance of using levers as tools when making structures. This week we will be looking at how pulleys work and their importance.

Ms. Miedema

Gr. 4 Music: New notes: F#, E, and D. Practice #29, 30, 33, 36, 38, 40, 41 and "Greensleeves" (p. 105).

MISS CHIANG – GRADE 1/2

It's hard to believe that Christmas is less than five weeks away, but our class has already been busy getting ready for the festive season. We have been busy making Christmas cards and learning new songs for our Christmas concert. Last week the students went home with the words to our songs. Encourage your child to continue singing the songs at home.

In Math, grade one is focusing on numbers up to ten. They will be looking at how to write them as well as represent them with different objects and pictures. Grade two continues to look at numbers up to fourteen. This week they will be looking at addition and subtraction up to 14.

In Reading, the grade one students are doing a great job identifying words that rhyme in the poems we have been reading. This week we will be looking at a rhyme that will help us learn our left from our right. Grade two will be finishing off their unit on media this week. Last week they did an excellent job looking at newspapers and the questions they answer.

In Science the students have been looking at movement. This week we will be taking a closer look at how to move on land. We will look at how important it is to move differently in different areas and why God might want us to move differently in certain areas.

Show and Tell: Group A: Student's choice

Word Wall Words: Grade 1 – best, run, because, but, us
Grade 2 – can't, didn't, won't, don't, not

Extra Spelling Words Grade 2 – newspaper, picture

Spelling Test: Friday

Mrs. Lise

Bible: This week we focus on King Uzziah of Judah and the prophet, Isaiah.

Gym: This week we will finish up our unit on Volleyball. In December we will learn how to play Ringette.

With Christmas just around the corner ...

it's time to think about whether or not you will be **giving gift cards** to those hard-to-buy-for family members, relatives, co-workers, or employer/employees. If you plan on giving gift cards please get your orders in early so we can guarantee that you have them before Christmas. The last day we can order to get shipments back before Christmas is **December 10th.**

We now have a new combo card available. It is an **Old Navy, the GAP, Banana Republic combo card** worth \$25 and gives us a 7% discount.

Also Way Spa has a **Christmas promotion** which raises their discount for the school to 12% for a limited time. There are many Spas in the GTA that accept Way Spa gift cards. Find out who does at www.wayspa.com

Also don't forget to make use of the **Home Renovation Tax Credit** for projects completed by Feb 1, 2010. Our Canadian Tire, Home Depot, Home Hardware and Rona gift cards can help you with that.

MRS. GROOT & MRS. PORTER – JK-SK

Today was an exciting day in Kindergarten. We celebrated 50 days of school which is half of 100. Every day during our calendar activities we add another straw to our can. When we have ten straws we bundle them so we can count by 10s. We pick a letter to add to our letter jar. What does 50 letters in a jar look like? We add a ladybug to our chalkboard so we know what 50 ladybugs look like altogether. We have been making a number line that we hang on the wall. We are hoping it will go around the classroom. That will be interesting to see. And we colour in a number everyday on our 100's chart so we know how many days we have been here. Every day we figure out how many more school days until 100's day. So ask your child: How many more school days until 100's day? Of course along with 50days, Zero the Hero leaves us a 'zero' treat to help celebrate another 10 days. What was our treat today? But most importantly we thanked God, the Mighty One, for providing us with health and a Christian school that we may attend. We are his children and He has blessed us with fifty wonderful days of school. Psalm 50:1 tells us "the Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets. Psalm 50:12b says ".... for the world is mine, and all that is in it."

Today we also had a special guest as part of our pet unit. Ask your child who came to visit.

This week we will finish off the letter Hh and then move on to the letter Gg: **God** saw all that He had made and it was very good. Genesis 1:31a. 'G' is also for goldfish, gerbil and guinea pig.

Today we went to the library. Enjoy your books. Your child is coming home with another Home Activity Page and another Christmas song. Please keep practising even if it is only going over the words once or twice in a week. You will be surprised how well your child may know the tunes and words of some of the songs.

Wednesday is Yellow day. Wear something yellow.

Treasure Chest: Your children are great at bringing in their Borrow-a-book sheet. Thank you parents (and big brothers and sisters and grandparents and family friends) for being such diligent readers. As a result our treasure chest needs replenishing; if you have any small items that are good for the treasure chest, please consider sending them our way. Thank you.

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM KINDERGARTEN

We have some avid readers in our class. Hurray!!! As a result our treasure chest is depleting rapidly. If you or anyone you know has small items that are good for the treasure chest, please consider donating them to Kindergarten. Just put them in a bag and pass them along to Mrs. Groot, a.k.a. the Kindergarten teacher. Thank you.

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Coming Soon To Timothy Christian School!

2 Free, Fun Movie Events
for you and your family!
Registration is suggested.
Email movies@timothycs.com

28 Elmhurst Drive, Etobicoke
TimothyCS.com/movies

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Saturday Nov. 28

Facing The Giants



6:30 p.m.
Snacks available
for purchase.

PG - Audience 12
yrs and older.
(Babysitting available)

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Saturday Dec. 5

VeggieTales: Saint Nicholas

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
New VeggieTales Movie!
Snacks provided.

Come as a family,
invite your friends!



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