

The Timothy Times – Nov 23/20



Mission – TCS exists to provide students with a firm foundation in knowledge and faith, equipping them to impact their community.

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The Goodness of God

Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope:
Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed,
for his compassions never fail.
They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
Lamentations 3:21-23

From the Office:



Peek of the Week: The students in Grade 5-6 have all been working very hard on projects to improve the school playground. They presented the top 4 projects to the board this past week. Read our [blog post](#) to learn about their projects.

November PD Days: This coming Friday, November 27 is a PD for teachers to work on Report Cards. The school will be closed this day. Report cards go home on Friday, December 4.

Daily Screening: Remember to be using the [daily screening tool](#) each day before sending your children to school. Your efforts and vigilance in this is helping to keep everyone safe. If children are at home please access the [Distance Learning Folder](#) on Google Drive to see what assignments they can be working on.

Snow Day Policy Change for this year: When the Upper Canada School District Buses are cancelled because of snowy weather the school will be closed. Visit the [STEO](#) website to check for bus cancellations. We have created a [Snow Day Folder](#) in the [Distance Folder](#) on Google Drive where you can find learning activities to do with your child on snow days if you would like.



Fall Membership Meeting is on Monday, November 30 at 7:30pm via Zoom. Please plan on attending this meeting as it is a chance for us to gather together as a community to share what is happening at the school. Instructions for attending the meeting can be found [here](#) and in the recent Contact that went out.



Prayer: On Wednesday mornings at 8:30 some parents have been joining together to pray for our school. Please feel welcome to join anytime, for 5-10 minutes to pray together. We meet near the front entrance.

Eggs available: The VanGilst family have eggs available for donation. All donations will go to the Student Fund at school. Contact Rachel VanGilst at rachel@vangilst.org to arrange for your eggs.



Job Opportunity at Timmy's Place: [Timmy's Place](#) has just been awarded a grant to hire 4 young people ages 15 - 30 for an 8 week position. This position runs from December to February. If you fall into that age group and wish to apply, drop off a resume at the store in the Morrisburg

12 Days of Christmas: The online Christmas Auction is up & running!! Make sure you check it out and see all the amazing items there are to offer. To be able to bid, you will need to join the Facebook Christmas Auction group. To join, click on this link:

www.facebook.com/groups/tcsonlinechristmasauction/ New items are being added all throughout the day, and continues for 12 days. All bids will close at 8pm on Friday Dec 4th. There are many new and used items, handmade crafts, food, and plenty of Christmas gifts to bid on for your whole family! Thank you for supporting our school.

Scholastic Flyers went home today. This is your last chance to order scholastics if you want them in before Christmas. Be sure to use the Class Code **RC147586** for free shipping to the school and contribute towards Bonus Bucks for our library.



School Clothing Order Forms were due in the office today. If you would like to take advantage of some personalized school clothing, please contact office@tcswilliamsburg.ca ASAP to get your order in before Christmas. Alternatively, there are still some clothes available in the office for a reduced rate. It would be great if each student had some TCS apparel for when we can be out in the community once again.

From the Classrooms:

Grade 7/8

Writing: Fable retelling due Tuesday, November 24.

Bible: We are wrapping up a short unit on Job. Review sheets will be given on Wednesday and our test will be Tuesday, December 1.

Memory Work: Apostle's Creed due December 1 (part of Bible test).

Novel Study: We are wrapping up our novel study on *The Giver*. We will start our final projects this week, due on December 8. We will have a unit test on Thursday, December 3.

Daily Reading: Students are asked to read for 20 minutes daily (at least four nights a week) and to keep track of their reading using a reading log which will be checked on Thursdays.

Math: Grade 8 - We are working on our algebra unit. There will be a quiz on Wednesday.

Grade 7 - We are working on a geometry unit. There will be a quiz on Wednesday. Students should do at least 3 sessions of xtramath.org per week.

History: We are nearing the end of our New France Unit, and there will be a test next Thursday, November 26. Students will need to spend time studying for it. The last question on the test will require a paragraph answer. The students have been given the question already and should work on organizing their ideas.

French: Grade 7 presentations Tuesday. Grade 8 "Mon Robot" paragraph presentations Thursday

Art: We are working with paint this week. If you need a paint-covering, make sure to bring one in. ML

Grade 5/6

Grade 5-6 Folder in Google Drive: We are keeping the Google Drive updated. If you go to the [Grade 5-6 folder](#) you will find the plans for the week as well as supporting documents. Also, many assignments are given in Google Classroom which makes it easy for students to access their work from home. Please let us know if you have any trouble accessing these.

Earbuds: It would be great if every student could take in a pair of earbuds or headphones.

Math: Grade 6 - We are doing a short unit on measurement. There will be a quiz on Thursday.

Grade 5 - multiplication tests will be returned today, and we are beginning a unit on division. Students should continue practicing their math facts and can log in to xtramath.org at home or at school to use that practice tool.

Bible: We begin our Jesse Tree study as we lead up to Christmas. ML

Memory Work: Isaiah 11:1-3a due Thursday. ML

French: Presentation grades were recorded in students' agendas. Gr. 6 will present their paragraphs this week Thursday. ML

PBL Project: The top 4 projects were presented to members of the board this past week. A special thanks to Nicole Van't Foort and Erin Van Gilst for taking the time to come. Read this [blog post](#) to learn about our projects. ML

Word Study: Our word study words this week are: callus, condemn, appreciate, sovereign, humbly, harmony, platform, parliament. Students need to know the definitions of each word and how to spell them. The test is Thursday, November 26.

Novel Study: We are reading the book Holes by Louis Sachar. Last week we started working on a mini project about the book. All the information about the mini projects can be found on [Google Classroom](#) or in the [Language Arts and Social Studies](#) Folder in the [Distance Learning](#) folder. Most students have finished their rough draft and they will have some class time to work on their good copy. The project is due Thursday, November 26.

At-Home Reading: In order to develop better reading habits, students are expected to spend 20 minutes reading, at least 4 times per week. They will be given a Reading Log that they need to turn in each Monday. A copy of the [Reading Log](#) can also be found in the [Grade 5-6](#) Folder in the [Distance Learning](#) folder.

Genius Hour: Each Wednesday the students spend an hour working on a project of their choice. They all have chosen a topic and came up with a Driving Question to guide their research. The students are working very hard on their projects and it is exciting to see their enthusiasm for what they are learning.

Grade 3/4

Grade 3/4 Folder in Google Drive: A reminder that If your child is absent, please refer to the Gr. 3/4 section in the school's [Distance Learning Folder](#) on Google Drive.

Reading: Just a reminder that students should be reading at home each night. Weekly reading logs are in each students' agenda. Students are excited to be reading at home!

Spelling: This week we are working through Spelling Lesson 10. Grade 3s are focusing on words with consonant blends, while the Grade 4s are looking at letter combinations that make the "f" sound. There will be a Spelling test on Thursday (as Friday is a PD day), and a friendly reminder that students should be practicing spelling words at home.

Science: We are excited to learn about God's "invisible works" through Magnetism.

Memory Work: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV). This will be a written Memory Work due Thursday.

Agendas: Please check and sign your child's agenda each day as assignments/tests and correspondence will be put in agendas. If there are ever any questions or concerns, I can be reached at chris.johnson@tcswilliamsburg.ca

Music: We are learning about different composers as we study rhythm and practice the bells. In October we learned about Edvard Grieg, and we are now learning about Beethoven.

Art Aprons: Students are strongly encouraged to bring in an art apron to leave at school for the year. These can be purchased at the dollar store. An old, oversized T-shirt works as well. ML

Grade 1/2

Spelling: (Test on Thursday) This week, we are going to take a break from our regular Spelling words, and each child will learn instead how to spell their full name and memorize a phone number. Grade 2 students will also be asked to memorize their address. Remember to practice each night at home!

Reading: Our whole school is working on a daily challenge of reading for 20 minutes per night. Students in Grade 1&2 already have a daily log to fill out for their A-Z Books, or they can read online at RAZkids.com. Reading every day is a habit we are encouraging for all our students!

If there are ever any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at alyssa.dekleine@tcswilliamsburg.ca, or send a note in your child's agenda. Thank you!

Kindergarten

This week is squirrel week! We will be completing many squirrel activities and thinking about preparing for winter (with our first snow on the ground) and what our squirrel friends may be doing with the change of weather.

Library: Due to the PD day our class will be going to the library on Wednesday this week.

Letter of the week: H h

Math: We are working on sorting objects and looking at how objects are the same

Bible: We are continuing to learn about Abraham and how he is a friend to God.

Extra clothes: Please check your child's bag to ensure that they have at least one set of extra pants, socks, underwear, and shirt. Particularly on wet days we go through quite a few! :)

Zipper Club: We are encouraging each one of the students to learn to zip up their own zipper and to put their own coat on (including pulling out sleeves). Extra practice at home is encouraged!

Show and Tell: I have tripled up the students as they are very excited to do show and tell for the first time

Monday: Laura, Joey and Grayson

Wednesday: Kit, Mark and Julia