



Timothy  
Christian  
School

# Touch Point

Keeping in touch with members and friends of Timothy Christian School

December 2009

**Quick links on  
the TCS  
website help  
you find  
information  
about:**

- Our mission and vision
- Specific ways you can support the school
- A long term strategy for growth
- Goals of Christian Education

## Do you visit the TCS website?

If you are a regular visitor to the TCS website than you already know the valuable information that can be found there. If you haven't been to the site in a while, check it out at [www.tcswilliamsburg.ca](http://www.tcswilliamsburg.ca). Each month, a new artist is featured on the home page. This month there is a beautiful mosaic by Jillian Westervelt. In September, we featured the work of Sarah Kaldeway, who placed second in her age group in the Canada-wide Christian Reformed World Missions poster contest.

Besides beautiful art, the home page lists coming events at the school and provides links with helpful information for new, current and future parents. New to the site under *Student Life* are staff biographies with photos of your favourite teachers. You can also see testimonials from current parents and alumni. (If you'd like to add your own testimonial, please send one to the school.) Archived copies of the weekly Timothy Times e-newsletter and other communication vehicles are posted on the site.

Thanks to our webmasters, Jeff and Lianne Tibben, the TCS website is current and a valuable source of information for our school community. So be sure to check it out often and pass the site address on to your friends and family.

## Still time to order Shop and Support gift cards for Christmas

Shop and Support is a fundraising program that doesn't cost you a penny. The way the program works is you use Shop and Support gift cards worth various denominations to purchase items you would buy anyway--items such as groceries, gas and clothing from your favourite retailers. A percentage of each card goes back to the school to support programs and services. Gift cards are purchased from the school Shop and Support coordinator, Christine Van Den Broek at 613-774-4206 or [ecvdb@ripnet.com](mailto:ecvdb@ripnet.com). Christmas is a great time to buy gift cards for Tim Horton's, movies and restaurants. For a full list of retailers, go to *Supporters* under Quick Links on the TCS website at [www.tcswilliamsburg.ca](http://www.tcswilliamsburg.ca).

## Join us for an evening of *Christmas Lights and Song*

This Christmas season, Timothy Christian School students along with the Promotion Committee will present *Christmas Lights and Song*. We invite you to join us on Thursday, December 17 at 7 p.m. in the school gym. Each class will participate in this special evening. We encourage you to come out to see the performances and sing your favourite Christmas songs. Refreshments will be served at the end of the evening. Help us celebrate the joy of Jesus' birth.

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*"I bring you good news  
of great joy that will be  
for all the people.  
Today in the town of  
David a Savior has  
been born to you; he is  
Christ the Lord."  
Luke 2:10-11*



## **Volunteer Opportunities**

Renovating TCS washrooms

- Plumbing and construction skills are needed for washroom project. Contact Ralph Norg at 613-448-3218 for more information.

Craftsmen needed to:

- create a professional and easy to update display case to house our graduate photos
- make a simple bench for the children to sit on when changing their footwear. Contact Gary Postma at the school for designs ideas and information.

## **How Christian Stewardship Services can help you**

On November 19, Wayne De Boer, our Christian Stewardship Services (CSS) representative for eastern Ontario, spoke to our membership about the partnership between CSS and Timothy Christian School. Along with this newsletter you will find a pamphlet about the services CSS provides in estate planning, planned giving and investments in Ministry. If there has been significant change in your life since your Will was put in place or if you don't have a Will or Power of Attorney in place and would like more information, please contact Wayne at wayned@cssservices.ca or 905-213-6233. Because of TCS's partnership with CSS, a visit with Wayne to help you put a new estate plan in place is free.

## **Receive a tax credit of 40 cents for every dollar donated over \$200**

Another year is coming to a close and it will soon be time to file your tax returns. By donating to charities such as Timothy Christian School prior to December 31, you can take advantage of tax savings. Did you know that if you have taxes payable, you can receive a tax credit of 40 cents for every dollar you donate over \$200? That's a 40 per cent return on your investment, not counting the return on the impact your donation gives to Christian education.

*"You make a living by what you get and make a life by what you give!"*  
Winston Churchill

## **Discover TCS Open House January 27th**

If you are thinking about Christian Education for your child(ren), mark January 27<sup>th</sup> on your calendar. You are welcome to visit the school from 9 a.m. to noon and again from 6 to 8 p.m. Come and experience the difference sending children to a school that provides a Christian worldview can make. If you can't make the Open House, be sure to call the school to make arrangements for a visit on a day that better suits your schedule.

## **Coming events**

<b>Chapel hosted by Kindergarten</b>	December 7, 9 a.m. at TCS
<b>Christmas Lights and Song</b>	December 17, 7 p.m. at TCS
<b>Chapel hosted by grades 4-6</b>	January 11, 9 a.m. at TCS
<b>Discover TCS Open House</b>	January 27, 9 a.m. to noon and 6 to 8 p.m.
<b>Chapel hosted by grades 1-3</b>	February 8, 9 a.m. at TCS

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*"Timothy Christian School is an independent elementary school that educates children through Christ-centred quality programs that combine faith and learning."*  
TCS Mission Statement

### **Timothy Christian School**

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*Since 1963, Timothy Christian School has been working with Christian families and helping children to connect learning with their growing faith. At TCS, children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 benefit from Christian teachers, a challenging Christ-centred curriculum and a prayerful supporting community.*