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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The greatest task of Christian parents is teaching our children to know and love the Lord. Founded in Wellsburg by a group of parents in 1941, Timothy Christian School has worked to come alongside Christian parents to provide God-centered courses for their children in kindergarten through eighth grade. Timothy Christian is a remarkable school in which students are encouraged to use their gifts for a life of service. Our school strives to teach about our world from a Biblical worldview while encouraging children to think independently and critically. Please visit the school's website, email, or call Development Director, Dale Akkerman, at 319-243-9890 for more information.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 15 Farewell Open House for Tricia Jones 1-4 PM
- July 22-26 Music and Art Jamboree for grades K-6 9 AM - 12 PM
- August 21 All-School Potluck Picnic 6:30 PM
- August 23 First Day of School and All-School Chapel 8:30 AM
- Sept. 7 TCS Golf Tournament at Beaver Meadows Golf Course in Parkersburg

TCS CLASS OF 2019



Timothy Christian School held their 8th-grade graduation ceremony at 7 PM on Thursday, May 23rd, at the First Christian Reformed Church. The three celebrated graduates were Michaela Meester, daughter of Sara Meester; Matthew Cox, son of Steve and Michelle Cox; and Olivia Onken, daughter of Jon and Brooke Onken. Michaela and Matthew will be attending Grundy Center High School in the fall while Olivia will be attending Aplington-Parkersburg High School.

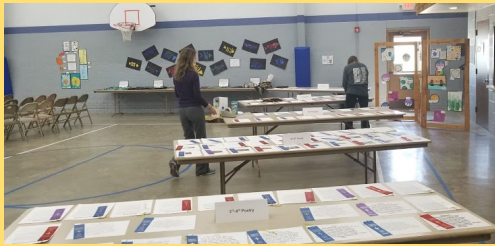
The class chose Colossian 3:2 as their class scripture, royal blue and white as their colors, and white daisies as their flowers. The evening's graduation address was given by Pastor Chad Eastridge of First Congregational Church, a short message was shared by Carly Pollock, and special music was provided by the TCS student body. The three graduates shared a reading and program containing many pictures from the past year. Administrator Rebecca Johnson and Board President Brent Tripp presented the graduates with diplomas and engraved Bibles. A light lunch was provided after the ceremony which gave the graduates time for fellowship.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY AND FINE ARTS FAIR

On April 26, grandparents and special guests were welcomed to the school. After cinnamon rolls and coffee, our guests were joined by the students for a chapel led by the administrator, Mrs. Johnson. She spoke on the school theme of *Think, Act, Be in God's Story* - how God is still writing our stories and encouraged everyone to share how God has worked in their lives. Students also shared a song for their guests.



After chapel, students took their guests to the classrooms to meet our teachers. School was dismissed for the afternoon so that preparations could be made for the Fine Arts Fair that evening. Creative writing and art were on display. Students in grades 3-8 performed before judges in music, speech, and drama. All performances that evening were given a rating by the judges. Students who performed at the highest level were awarded purple ribbons for Outstanding Performances.



For the second half of the evening, music teacher, Mrs. Wessels, arranged a special K-8 musical program on the story of Easter. Many students were given speaking and singing parts. This was a wonderful evening for students to learn, use, and develop the special gifts God has given them in art, music, creative writing, drama, and speech.

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:17

TRICIA JONES IS SAYING GOODBYE AFTER 25 YEARS!

A *sweet* ENDING AND A NEW *beginning*

Please join us for a Farewell Open House
honoring

Tricia Jones

Saturday, June 15 • 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. • Timothy Christian School

Please spread the word to family and friends who would like to extend their good wishes to Tricia!

RSVP not necessary...but it would be appreciated.

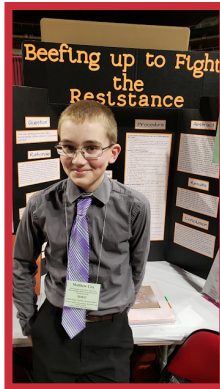
Please text the number attending to Liz Pruisner at 319.464.4038

Tricia Jones, our 1st and 2nd-grade teacher, who has been at Timothy Christian School for the past 25 years, is leaving our school. We are sad to see her go, but we are thrilled about the positive things happening in her life. She will be marrying Gary Van Roekel and moving to Pella with her 2 youngest children, Jazy and Levi. Tricia has accepted the 1st-grade teaching position at Oskaloosa Christian School. We dearly love Tricia, Jazy, and Levi. They will be missed, but we know God has great plans for this family, and we will be praying for them.





Grades 7-8 participated in MATHCOUNTS at Hawkeye Community College on Friday, February 15.



Grade 8 student Matthew Cox participated in the State Science and Technology Fair of Iowa at Iowa State University on Friday, March 29.



The annual Steak Supper was at 1st Christian Reformed Church on Tuesday, March 19.



Grades 3-4 students did special math activities for the 100th Day of School on Monday, February 18.



Students and teachers sing at chapel on Fridays.



TC had 6 students represent the school at the Battle of the Books competition in Cedar Falls on April 4. They earned the Creativity Award for their team name, the Tiger Tails.



We had a great turn out for our auction on Saturday, March 2. Thanks to all the donors and guests who made this a success!



Kindergarten had fun in the snow on Friday, February 22.



Grade 5 student Talasia Meester created a relief map of Africa in social studies class.



Grades 3-4 worked on their Art Bots for their STEM unit in science class.



Grades K-2 visited the Phelps Youth Pavilion and Grout Imaginarium in Waterloo on Friday, May 10.

But in your hearts reverence Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. 1 Peter 3:15



Grades 5-6 toured the State Capitol on Tuesday, May 14.



The entire school went to the Fossil and Prairie Preserve on Wednesday, May 29.



Grades 7-8 attended Village Creek Bible Camp on May 20-21.

CELEBRATING OUR PART IN GOD'S STORY!

Throughout the 2018-2019 school year, teachers have been implementing core practices of the biblical worldview curriculum framework called Teaching for Transformation. One core practice includes Formational Learning Experiences, or FLEx, where Christian school classrooms provide authentic (real work, real need, real people) opportunities for students to practice living God's story. This year, each classroom did FLEx projects, and we shared them to the school community on the last day of school.



Grades K-2 learned about community helpers in health and social studies. They made cards to thank and bless local community helpers that may not always get recognition for their important work.

Grades 5-6 applied their speaking, listening, and writing skills by visiting with residents at Grand Jivante. Students played games and listened to residents share their stories. Later, students wrote the residents' stories and returned to give them their stories.



Grades 3-4 read the books *Stone Fox* and *Shiloh* in their novel studies. After learning about working animals and animal shelters, they planned their own project by making posters, collecting money and items, and donating to the ARL of Marshalltown. They then delivered the items and volunteered by making dog treats, kitty toys, and playing with the animals.



Grades 7-8 learned about issues that divide through the study of the Civil War. This led to students studying other areas that divide and coming up with ways to show love by bridging the gap and reflecting Christ's image.



Alternatives Pregnancy Center

Standing for the Flag



Genetically Modified Foods



Eating Disorders Pampering Event

WELCOME NEW TEACHER!

Hello! My name is Jill Janssen, and I am excited to be part of the TC family as the new 1st and 2nd-grade teacher. I am a graduate of Ackley-Geneva High School and Iowa State University. Prior to coming to Timothy, I taught both 1st and 3rd grades in Charles City and most recently spent three years teaching elementary special education at Hampton-Dumont. I currently live on an acreage near Ackley and enjoy spending time with my 10-year-old niece and 3-year-old nephew who only live a few miles away from me. In my free time, I enjoy quilting, reading, and being outdoors.



Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Philippians 4:4