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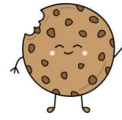
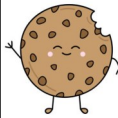
October 5, 2023

"But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31 (NIV)

SPIRIT GEAR DAY TOMORROW! SPIRIT GEAR DAY TOMORROW!

SELL COOKIE DOUGH, WIN GREAT PRIZES!

Student Council and the Athletic Department encourage all of the student body to get involved in selling cookie dough/butter braids to raise money for the school. Order forms went home yesterday. There are some great incentives and prizes this year, including a chance to win a large squish mallow, a fast hoverboard, and a glow basket filled with LED lights, disco balls, glow-in-the dark speaker, glow-in-the dark basketball, and more. There is also an opportunity to participate in a SNOWBALL BONANZA with our very own principal, Mr. V! Additionally, there are classroom competitions along with the overall top-seller prizes. The money raised will be used by Student Council and the Athletic Department for a wide variety of things for the school and student body. Support your school and sell, sell, sell! Please read all the necessary information on pages 4-5 and look for the email from My Fundraising Place with the link to your online store. If you plan to sell using the paper forms, there are extra forms available in the front office if you need more.



BE A VOLLEYBALL AND SOCCER TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEER!

Trinity Christian School hosts the Illinois Christian Conference volleyball and Soccer Tournament, Oct. 19-21. The girls' volleyball tournament starts Thursday and continues through Saturday. The soccer tournament is Friday and Saturday only. There is a lot of activity involved in supporting this tournament and the demand for volunteers is great! We need help with admissions, concessions, hall monitors, line judges and more. Would you please help? This is a great weekend opportunity for volunteer hours. Please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or email volunteercoordinator@trinitychristian.info if you are able to help out. You may also contact Mr. V at 815-577-9310, ext. 313, or email jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info. Thank you!



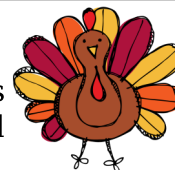
GET YOUR NOVEMBER HOT LUNCH ORDERS IN!

Order November hot lunch now through Oct. 20. All orders must be placed and paid for by Oct. 20 at 11:59 p.m. You can find information about the hot lunch program [here](#).

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON ORDERS

It is once again time to start planning for our Thanksgiving Luncheon! This is a time when all the students and staff enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal together.

If you wish to purchase a traditional Thanksgiving meal for your student for the Thanksgiving Luncheon, you will order it online using this [link](#) or scanning the QR code below, which is separate from our regular hot lunch ordering. This meal is available for ordering **now through Oct. 31**. There is a menu choice of ham or turkey. An extra slice of meat is available at an additional cost. The rest of the menu is mashed potatoes, gravy, corn and rolls. PTM will make donations to the feast, as well as ask families to donate. Sign-up sheets will be located on the PTM bulletin board. Families are not required to order a meal for students. Those who do not purchase a ham or turkey lunch should bring a sack lunch.



Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: Oct. 5-13

Oct. 5
Walk-a-Thon Reward Day
HOME Soccer Game
4:15 p.m.

Oct. 6
Spirit Gear Day
Walk-a-Thon Reward Day

Oct. 9
Columbus Day
No School

Oct. 10
Teacher Institute Day
No School K-8

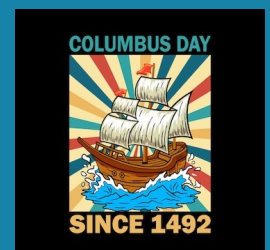
Oct. 11
No Chapel

Oct. 12
HOME Soccer Game
4:15 p.m.
HOME Girls' Volleyball
Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.
8th Grade Night

Oct. 13
HOME Girls' Volleyball
Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

Important Dates:

October 17
School Board Meeting



REMINDER: SHORT WEEK NEXT WEEK!

APPRECIATE YOUR PASTOR WITH BREAKFAST

Trinity Christian School honors our wonderful pastors, here, Wednesday, Oct. 25, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Something new... this year we will begin the morning with a special chapel service led by our first graders and dedicated to the pastors. We then invite our pastors and clergy to stay for an Appreciation Breakfast that will be served immediately following the chapel! Two invites were sent home with your youngest child last week. **The R.S.V.P. deadline is Friday, Oct. 20.** Please help us spread the word and show our TCS love to those in the ministry. Extra invitations are available in the front office just in case you need them. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or tthomas@trinitychristian.info.



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed daily! Check out our **EVERYDAY VOLUNTEER NEEDS** below! It is vital that we fill these everyday positions, as soon as possible, to be sure each school morning is off to a warm and friendly start; hot lunches are served efficiently; and to create a relaxing, fun, and safe environment for students and teachers during recess. PLEASE see what is available and contact Mrs. Toya Thomas directly if you'd like to serve or for any additional details. Please note that these opportunities are on a first-come, first-served basis!

WE SEEK VOLUNTEERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEKS: OCT. 9-20. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALANDERS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. THOMAS TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

MORNING GREETER: Every day, 8:10-8:30 a.m. Open car doors, greet students, and help make sure they enter the building safely.

Monday 10/09: No school	Monday 10/16: 2 volunteers needed
Tuesday 10/10: No school	Tuesday 10/17: 1 volunteer needed
Wednesday 10/11: 2 volunteers needed	Wednesday 10/18: 1 volunteer needed
Thursday 10/12: 3 volunteers needed	Thursday 10/19: 3 volunteers needed
Friday 10/13: 2 volunteers needed	Friday 10/20: 3 volunteers needed

LUNCH HELPER: 4 helpers daily, 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Distribute hot lunch orders by grade and classroom, then assist with cleanup.

Monday 10/09: No school	Monday 10/16: 1 volunteer needed
Tuesday 10/10: No school	Tuesday 10/17: 4 volunteers needed
Wednesday 10/11: 0 volunteers needed	Wednesday 10/18: 0 volunteers needed
Thursday 10/12: 4 volunteers needed	Thursday 10/19: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 10/13: 2 volunteers needed	Friday 10/20: 2 volunteers needed

RECESS HELPER: Every day, 11:50 a.m.-1:10 p.m. Provide supervision, with Trinity staff, to keep children safe during their playtime.

Monday 10/09: No school	Monday 10/16: 4 volunteers needed
Tuesday 10/10: No school	Tuesday 10/17: 4 volunteers needed
Wednesday 10/11: 3 volunteers needed	Wednesday 10/18: 4 volunteers needed
Thursday 10/12: 4 volunteers needed	Thursday 10/19: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 10/13: 3 volunteers needed	Friday 10/20: 4 volunteers needed

Please contact Mrs. Thomas at tthomas@trinitychristian.info or 815-577-9310, ext. 315, as soon as possible if interested and available.

As always thank you for your willingness to serve!

HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR TCS WITH DELICIOUS FOOD!

Portillo's

HOT DOGS • BEEF • BURGERS • SALADS

Mark your calendar for TCS's second restaurant fundraiser of the year, at Portillo's **Thursday, Oct. 19**. Portillo's will donate 20% of the total sales to our school as long as we bring in at least \$200 worth of total sales. Online ordering require code **PORTILLOS27** in the offer box. See pg. 7 for details.

SAVE THE DATE FOR PTM'S TRUNK OR TREAT

WHO: TCS FAMILIES WHAT: PTM'S ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT
WHEN: SATURDAY, OCT. 21, AT 5:00 P.M. WHERE: TCS PARKING LOT
FLYERS WILL BE COMING HOME WITH STUDENTS SOON!



"PLEASE DON'T SHRED OUR SCHOLARSHIPS!"

We are at the critical point of determining the future of the Illinois Invest in Kids Act. When the Illinois legislators return to Springfield for the Veto Session on Oct. 24, they will either extend this critical scholarship program or let it die and eliminate scholarships for our TCS families and thousands of other Illinois families.

Our Joliet area legislators are hosting Shred Events, at two area locations:

Friday, Oct. 6, 10:00 a.m.-noon at Joliet Memorial Stadium,
129 Infantry Drive, Joliet (east parking lot)

Please see pg. 6 for event details.

Saturday, Oct. 7, 9:00-11:00 a.m. at Brooks Middle School,
350 Blair Lane in Bolingbrook

We are asking you to attend and place a sign or signs in your car windows that say, **"Please Don't Shred Our Scholarships."**

This is a great opportunity to send a message to the legislators while bringing your household shredding.

This is a drive-through event, but if you have an opportunity to speak with one of the senators or representatives, let them know how critical this program is to area families. Tell them how it has helped children find their best-fit school and how children's academic and emotional needs are being served through this program.

This is an easy and convenient way to let your voice be heard and impact school choice in Illinois.

Representatives Dagmara Avelar and Natalie Manley
Senators Meg Loughran Cappel and Rachel Ventura:

free community drive thru

shred event



Saturday, October 7th, 2023 | 9am-11am
Brooks Middle School | 350 Blair Ln. Bolingbrook

- No electronic or medical recycling
- 2 boxes per car
- Cardboard boxes cannot be left at the event

NEW TEACHER: FEATURE OF THE WEEK

We give a warm welcome to **Mrs. Stacy Ball**. Mrs. Ball is a certified reading specialist and joins Mrs. Jeske in the learning resource room this year. She works with many students with different literacy needs, including reading intervention, phonics instruction, writing assistance, and word study. Mrs. Ball has a BA in English from Valparaiso University and an MA in reading from Governors State University. Before joining the Trinity teaching staff, Mrs. Ball taught middle school language arts for over 15 years, most recently in Plainfield School District. Mrs. Ball is married and has two children who attend TCS, in fifth grade and kindergarten. She enjoys traveling, reading, watching her kids participate in their various sports and activities, and teaching! Mrs. Ball is so excited to be a part of the wonderful staff here at Trinity and has enjoyed every moment of her new adventure!



SAVE THE DATE: RAISING CANE'S FUNDRAISER 11/14

SEEKING CRAFTERS AND VENDORS FOR TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR, DEC. 2

Crafter and Vendor registration is currently open for Trinity families, which includes a \$5.00 discount! If you are a direct seller, please sign up now to secure your spot. See pg. 9 for more information. Be sure to give Trinity's Craft and Vendor fair [Facebook page](#) a follow to stay updated!

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are still looking for substitute teachers for the 2023-2024 school year. If you or someone you know is interested the position, please forward a completed application along with your resume to: Trinity Christian School, Attn: Jon Vugteveen, 901 Shorewood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404. Applications may be found [online](#) or in the front office.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: We seek reliable substitute teachers. Substitutes must be able to step into a classroom environment to teach on short notice. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required and a teaching certificate or substitute license is preferred. Qualified substitutes must believe that the Bible is God's Word and standard for faith and daily living, and must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education.

Dear Students & Parents,

Oct. 2023

This year, we are excited to bring back our Cookie Dough and ButterBraid fundraiser! We are also continuing with the online portion of selling, which we hope is only more efficient and easier on you! To help our parents with quick holiday baking, we are offering **Wooden Spoon Cookie Dough** – available in **six different** flavors:

- o Chocolate Chip, Confetti, Peanut Butter, Snickerdoodle, Triple Chocolate, and White Chunk Macadamia Nut

Cookie Dough is sold in 1 oz. pre-portion cookie packages. (40 cookies). All you have to do is just break and bake! The dough is delivered frozen - made to order – no scooping and no mess! What a great way for families, children, seniors, and singles to have delicious homemade cookies!

Additionally, we are offering **Rite Bite's Butter Braids**. These are hand-braided pastries that bake into a delicious breakfast or dessert entrees. They are 22 oz. in size and come in in **SIX different** flavors:

- o Apple, Cinnamon, Cream Cheese, Raspberry, Strawberry & Cream Cheese, and Cinnamon Rolls
- o If ordering online, other options are: Blueberry & Cream Cheese and Carmel Rolls

Like last year, there is an **ONLINE** option for selling. This is a super easy way to sell to your friends and family, as you are able to email the link or post on your social media page. Please be on the lookout for an email to set up your **ONLINE** store. It is very easy, and the online access will greatly benefit our sale. If you have any questions doing this, please feel free to contact Miss Bekermeier.

Each package of Cookie Dough will sell for \$19, and each Butter Braid will sell for \$16.

The sale begins on **Wednesday, October 4th**. The attached form and money should be returned by **Wednesday, November 8th**. Checks should be made payable to **TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**. We cannot accept cash with any order. No late orders can be accepted.

Cookie Dough and Butter Braids will be delivered on Wednesday, November 29th. This is a good early date so that everyone can get their Holiday baking done on time! **Parents will need to pick up their orders in the MPR between 2:30pm-3pm or 3:30pm-4:30pm that day.** (There will be no pickup from 3-3:30 due to TCS dismissal.) **This will be a CURBSIDE pickup.** Please **CLEARLY** display your name as you pull up and our Student Council and staff will deliver your order directly to your vehicle.

This fundraiser is sponsored by the Trinity Christian Student Council and Athletic Department. We would like to encourage everyone to participate to make this a **BIG** success. The proceeds will be used by Student Council and Athletics in a variety of ways. We hope with the success of this sale that we can do a lot of cool things to help our school and sports program.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Miss Bekermeier, Mrs. Mohr, Mrs. Zientek at school, 815-577-9310 or by email kbekermeier@trinitychristian.info



Student Council and Trinity Athletics thank you for your support!

Please look on the back side for exciting prizes you can win when you sell!





PRIZES FOR COOKIE DOUGH SALE

If you sell **15 items or more,
you will be able to participate in some time away from class for a
SNOWBALL BONANZA with Mr. V!**

Students will leave class to go outside, play in the snow, and spend some time having a fun snowball fight with Mr. V.



TOP SELLER PRIZES TCS K-8th GRADE:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will receive your choice (based on what place) of:

- A fast and fun HOVERBOARD!
- Comfy and Jumbo SQUISHMALLOWS
- A GLOW BASKET full of LED lights, LED disco balls, glow in the dark speaker, glow in the dark basketball, and more!



CLASS COMPETITION:

- ✦ The 5th-8th grade class that has the highest average amount sold per student will win the opportunity of dressing down for a FULL WEEK.
- ✦ The K-4th grade class that has the highest average amount sold per student will win an afternoon of a MOVIE PARTY with a snack for their whole class.

TCS PRESCHOOL

TOP SELLER PRIZES (ALL LOCATIONS COMBINED)

1 st Place:	\$75 Amazon Gift Card
2 nd Place:	\$50 Amazon Gift Card
3 rd Place:	\$25 Amazon Gift Card



Please join State Representatives
LARRY WALSH JR.
and
NATALIE MANLEY
and
Mayor of Joliet, Terry D'Arcy
for their Drive-Thru Community

SHRED DAY

Friday, October 6, 2023

10 a.m. to Noon

Joliet Memorial Stadium, 129th Infantry Drive • Joliet
(East Parking Lot of Stadium)

THIS EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

HELP PROTECT YOURSELF FROM IDENTITY THEFT

- Bring documents that contain personal information to be safely shredded
- 2 Box Maximum - Residential Shredding Only
- Boxes and/or containers must be in the trunk or back seat of the vehicle for distribution
 - Cardboard boxes cannot be left at event
 - No Electronics Recycling will be accepted



For more information, please contact Rep. Walsh's constituent service office at 815-730-8600 or statereplarrywalshjr@gmail.com.

You're invited to a
Portillo's®
FUNDRAISER



Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

Trinity Christian School

When:

October 19, 2023

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

at the Portillo's located at:

1155 Brook Forest Ave.

Shorewood, IL

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS27** before checkout in the "Apply Offer" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, curbside, and in restaurant orders.

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For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundraising sales required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.

— JOIN OUR — **FUNDRAISER** **AT RAISING CANE'S**

**Mention the fundraiser at the register
and Cane's will donate **15%** of sales to:**

Trinity Christian

DATE & TIME:

Tuesday Nov. 14, 2023 from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

LOCATION:

1007 Brook Forest Avenue, Shorewood, IL



TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS OUR 9TH ANNUAL

Christmas CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

FROM 8:30 AM TO 4:00 PM

901 SHOREWOOD DRIVE - SHOREWOOD, IL



*Gifts. Home Decor.
Candles. Clothing.
Jewelry. Baked Goods.
Wreaths and more*

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70+ CRAFTERS & DIRECT SALES

EMAIL TCSCRAFTFAIR@GMAIL.COM
FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR
FOR AN APPLICATION

