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Nota Bene - W. Groot

This is this school year's final Fridge Door!

Another ending brings opportunities for reflection as well as new beginnings! As we head into the final weeks (Graduation is on Tuesday, June 27), we continue to work with our students as they learn for service in the light of God's word.

Presentations Day, today, was another significant day of learning. On Friday, we host a Relay for Life Event to support the fight against cancer. It begins after we celebrate our Grade 12s in their special assembly. The student committee has worked diligently in their aim to raise \$10,000. About half of our students are involved while the other half will be learning in class. Teachers have arranged ways for those in the event to keep up with their work or to work ahead.

Make sure nobody pays back wrong for wrong but always strive to do good for each other and for everyone else (1 Thessalonians 5:15) was this year's focus verse. Empathy, the ability to understand the feelings of others, to think about what it means to be "in another person's shoes", is important for students to learn and practice. Good things have resulted – a group of students won the Vaughan Film Festival for an empathy-themed video – and, hopefully, more will as students complete the school year and venture into the summer and their futures.

Thank you to the many who have told others about the strengths of TDChristian. Thank you to those who took time to come alongside and suggest improvements or offer critiques. If we have done something well, shout it from the mountaintop; if we have failed or need improvement, whisper it in our ears. For those whose children's TDChristian journeys are nearly completed, blessings as you transition into the next phase. Please keep TDChristiana in your prayers and

Come help us celebrate the Class of 2017

GRADUATION

Tuesday, June 27, 7:00 pm

Light Korean Presbyterian Church

6965 Professional Court in Mississauga

Off Derry Road just east of Airport Road, Mississauga, ON

Valedictorian: Joshua Guinness

Schulich Leadership Scholarship Winner (McMaster University)

JOIN US AS WE HONOUR OUR STUDENTS.

as you are able, please support us in the future. With it. TDChristian will be able to continue to enfold, engage and empower students to learn for service in the light of God's word. Giving towards Project 20/20, tuition assistance or the school's general fund are ways you can make a difference.

For those whose children are returning, we will wish you a good end to the school year and a fine summer. Back in the Groove is Thursday, August 31, at 7 p.m.

Finally, we will continue to keep you abreast of what is happening with Project 20/20 through "2-5 Messages." It takes a community to build and grow a school ... by God's grace, and under his care, we will.

TDChristian: Recipient of another Grant

TDChristian has received a \$1000 grant from the Canadian Geological Foundation for a display case for rocks (tied into our science program). If you know of organizations, foundations or other for which TDChristian can apply for grants, please contact groot@tdchristian.ca.

From the Finance Office

The 2017-18 Fee Payment Forms were due on June 6. Thank you to the families who have already returned their forms. Please send your forms to the school to the attention of Ms. Meg Cate. If you have any questions, please contact her at cate@tdchristian.ca or at ext. 214 at the school.

Are you interesting in hosting an international student next year? TDChristian will have over 50 International Students enrolled next year with 80% hosted with home stay families. For more information about the program, please contact Meg Cate (cate@tdchristian.ca or ext 214 at the school).

Praise & Petition

- A. Vanderkooy/M. Laswick

- Our Relay for Life event is happening this Friday. Pray for good weather, a fun day and plentiful money raised for cancer research.
- Pray for all our students as they prepare for and complete final evaluations.
- Grade 12 students have made their decisions for next year! May they be blessed and a blessing as they finish their semester and attend graduation.
- Alice Vanderkooy as she finishes her final year of teaching, 30 years of those at TDChristian High School. It will be a time of transition, change, mixed emotions and new adventures. We will miss her!

Music Notes - K. Hayward

First, an important note: all instruments and musical equipment must be returned to the music room.

While "Glorious Praise", our annual Spring concert may be a fading memory, the blessings received by those in attendance will not be soon forgotten. Everyone who contributed to the concert is to be congratulated and thanked for helping to make the night a tremendous success.

As we quickly draw to the end of the semester, I would like to thank all of the students who were a part of the music program for their time, energy, perseverance and dedication. Particularly the parents, guardians and homestays who provided support through rides to rehearsals and attendance at concerts. Also, those students in Grade 12 who will be moving on to the next stage of their lives.

We congratulate the following students for their contributions to music at TDChristian. Well done! CHOIR AWARDS

Rookie Male singer of the year – Noah D'Allessandro Senior Alto singer of the year – Elizabeth Parenteau Senior Soprano singer of the year – Lorissa VanGurp Rookie Female singer of the year – Naomi Boot Senior Male singer of the year – Joel Porter

BAND AWARDS

Rookie player of the year - Kevin Hayward Senior String / Percussion player of the year - Julian Straatsma Senior Woodwind player of the year - Evan Kim Senior Brass player of the year - Greg Hoornweg

COSMO AWARD - Rachel Feddema

The Cosmo Award is presented to a Grade 12 student for commitment and dedication to the music program as evidenced by involvement during his or her time at TDChristian. The recipient receives a gift certificate and plaque from Cosmo Music and has his or her name added to the Cosmo Award Plaque displayed at the school.

As the echoes of the semester fade, we look forward to beginning again in September.

Have a great summer! "Where words fail, music speaks."

Guidance

Summer School Registration is available now in most school boards. As TDChristian does not run a summer school program, those needing to attend summer school will do so via their local public/catholic school board. Students who are in danger of failing a course should register for the upgrade course (2 weeks in most boards) as soon as possible. It is much easier to sign up and drop out than to try and get in at the last minute as courses often fill up quickly. For information regarding summer school see the Splash! Page or contact Mrs. Dengerink.

Important Notes:

- Ontario Community College Applicants: Check your due date for the payment of tuition fees at your
 college of choice. If you were not accepted into your chosen program, use the FIND-A-PROGRAM feature
 on the Ontario Colleges website to search for up-to-date information about other programs offered across the
 province and their availability (open, closed, wait-list).
- **University Applicants**: Check deadlines for applying for residence and registering for courses. OUAC also offers a Program Vacancy service beginning in June. If you wish to see what is still available, check the site.
- Grade 11 Students: Think ahead! Although it is only June 2017, we recommend Grade 11 students take advantage of the summer to research programs and campuses that interest them. MyBlueprint is available to all our students for research and information on post-secondary directions. Do some of the quizzes to discover more about your learning style and interests, look up careers connected to a subject you really enjoy, listen to people as they share what they like and dislike about their jobs. Check with guidance if you need your login information. The Splash! Page has a link to MyBlueprint, as well as information for students and parents.

Dates to put on your calendar for next year:

Future Directions Night is September 14 at TDChristian
Ontario Universities Fair is September 22 to 24 (http://www.ouf.ca)
Christian University Advantage Tour is October 16 at TDChristian
Ontario College Information Fair is October 24 to 25 (http://www.ocif.ca)

Volunteer Opportunites

- 1. Looking to help students effectively demonstrate and explain their learning while earning volunteer hours at the same time? Contact Ms. Bauer at bauer@tdchristian.ca or Mrs. Kooy at kooy@tdchristian.ca in the Resource Department. We are looking for parents and/or guardians to act as scribes (writers) for different students completing their Final Evaluations on June 20 and 22. In your email, please refer to the days and times that you are available (time slot #1 from 8:55 a.m. to 11:50 p.m., time slot #2 from 12:15 p.m. to 2:55 p.m.).
- 2. For many TDChristian events scheduled throughout the year, volunteers are needed to provide homemade baking. More volunteers are needed for the 2017-18 school year. If you love to bake and are interested in finding out about this opportunity, please contact Julia at tdchristianbaking@gmail.com.

Athletics - C. Hoving

After losing in the YRAA quarterfinals, the Girls Soccer team wrapped up its season last week at OFSAA. The team played well finishing with 3 wins and 1 loss, missing out on the playoffs by a goal differential tie break. Congratulations to the girls on a great season and thank you to Mr. Heinbuch and Mrs. Kooy for coaching.

The Boys Soccer team also finished their season at OFSAA. The finished well with 2 wins, a tie and a loss narrowly missing out on the playoffs. Thank you to alumnus Ben Maas and Mr. E. Vrieling for coaching.

The Ultimate teams concluded their solid seasons last week. The Senior team advanced to the final before losing 5-4 in a thrilling game against Newmarket. The Junior team won its three games in pool play in the consolation bracket before lightning ended their day. Thank you to Mr. Buisman, Ms. Weening, and Mrs. Ootjers for coaching.

Haley Hollander, Adrian Straatsma, and Eric Van Zeumeren represented the school at the Track and Field Regionals at York University on May 25 and 26. All three finished in the top 10 in their respective events. Eric advanced to OFSAA this past Friday in Belleville and finished 12th in the province in high jump. Thank you to Ms. Bauer, Mr. Heinbuch, Mr. Sjaarda and Ms. Helder for coaching.

Thank you to staff and students for another successful year of sports at TDChristian. A special thank you to parents, guardians and homestays for their support, driving, cheering, and helping to make for good seasons.

TDChristian will be running a Sports Camp from August 28 to September 1 at the school for students in grades 6,7,8. For more information or to register, please e-mail camps@tdchristian.ca.

OFSAA Volleyball is 6 months away! TDChristian will be hosting OFSAA from November 22 to 25. Games will be at TDChristian and at Humber College. November 22: Registration and Banquet, November 23 and 24: Pool play and Quarterfinals, November 25: Championship Saturday

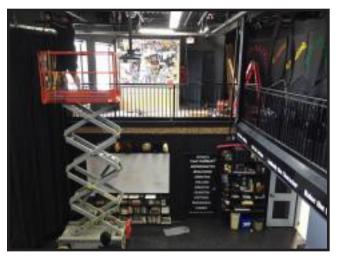
We will be looking for volunteers to help in different ways throughout the tournament. If you are interested in being a part of the tournament or sponsorship send an e-mail to hoving@tdchristian.ca or buwalda@tdchristian.ca.

Bells and Whistles for the Black Box Theatre!

As many of you know, in the summer of 2013, the north side of our commons and the tech booth area begun to undergo a major transformation. Drama@TD found a permanent home in our Black Box theatre space. In the years since, the room has gradually added book cubbies, a library, a temporary tech booth, and curtains. The Black Box now serves as a teaching space, a backstage space for our main-stage productions, and as a performance space in its own right! Mrs. Cook generously volunteered her time to sew and create our 12 "Improv for Character" banners, that hang in our upstairs gallery.

On our last parent workday, Aaron Ferguson, along with student Albin Joseph built a permanent booth for our lighting and sound technicians. Brian DePeuter pitched in with his carpeting expertise, while Ed Aukema designed and created seating/storage units for our upstairs audience gallery. Meanwhile Alex Mungal, an alumnus who you may remember from our production of "Schoolhouse," came by with his crew from LoudNoise Productions to hang professional theatre lighting in the space. Your first chance to see the space in action is on June 22 at our Alumni/ SketchPro collaboration entitled "The Sketchy Show."

Next year, we are looking to complete the Black Box including a small wall upstage with door(s) for exits and entrances, and access to an acting balcony, the costume/change rooms, and a trap-door underneath our stage. Most exciting of all, we will be working on a total redux of our costume room which will allow for on-site costume construction and repairs! If you have skills in the trades and are interested in getting involved, or if you are in need of volunteer hours and have time to give, contact Mr. Peters at peters@tdchristian for more information!



Staying Up-to-Date

Do you like us on Facebook (facebook.com/tdchristianhighschool)? Do you follow us on Instagram (instagram.com/tdchristianhighschool)? When you share our social media links and our website (tdchristian.ca) with others, you help tell our story. Thank you in advance for spreading the word about YOUR school.

Yearbook Opportunity

We are almost sold out! We only have ONE business card sized space available: 3.5" by 2", full colour, only \$130. Your support really means a lot. If you are interested please contact Mr. Buwalda at buwalda@tdchristian.ca.

TD Textbooks

Please send in any textbooks or library books that display the TDChristian stamp. We are always happy to receive books that have been missing from our collection.



Grad @TD Coming Soon!

In the next @TD newsletter, see our entire Grade 12 class and where they are headed. It also celebrates retiring teacher Alice Vanderkooy. If you don't usually receive the

@TD at your church, let us know (email buwalda@tdchristian.ca) and we'll give you enough copies for your church.

Organics for Orphans Update

- Ben Freeman

TDChristian's E-block class has almost completed our project with Organics for Orphans (http://organics4orphans. org/). Each E-block student has completed a full power-point unit lesson on a variety of topics, ranging from the use of mulch to health concerns to gardening techniques. This week in class, each E-block student created a teacher's notes outline to give context to the lesson and example discussion questions. Next week we will each prepare a 10-question quiz for our topic.

We would like to especially thank the project manager, Kerri Roberts, who has spent hours preparing material for us and editing all our work. Kerri also shared two videos with us from an Organics for Orphans' School in Kenya - the one video showed a typical lesson being used, and the other was a thank-you message from a teacher who expressed his appreciation for our class completing new content for their programs. It was a great connection for E-block students to see how their resources will be used in Kenya and other locations.

Donations for Belize 2018

We are already making plans for next year's March Break trip to Belize. As always, we would like to bring along donations to gift other schools with. We need the following items: school supplies, craft supplies, stickers, sports and playground toys (skipping ropes, chalk, soccer balls, bubbles, etc.), baby and children's clothes, work gloves, etc. Think of us when you do your back to school shopping or see some great end of summer sales! Thank you for your support.

As always, croquettes will be coming to the school in September.



Notice 2017

What - you don't have your copy yet?

Notice 2017 features the work of over 80 TDChristian students. We had our book launch last week, but there are still copies available through the office for only \$10. Read more about Notice on our website. www.tdchristian.ca/notice.

From the Library

- J. Knibbe

New to the collection. Come on in and check them out!

- 1) The Michael Vey Series by Richard Paul Evans: In book 1 The Prisoner of Cell 25: "To everyone at Meridian High School, Michael Vey is an ordinary fourteen-year-old. In fact, the only thing that seems to set him apart is the fact that he has Tourette's syndrome. But Michael is anything but ordinary. Michael has special powers. Electric powers."
- 2) The Life of Anne Frank by Menno Metselaar and Ruud van der Rol: Originally published by the Anne Frank House, this edition was reissued in 2014 by Macmillan Publishers. This little book tells Anne Frank's story, illustrated by photographs of her family and friends. Something that makes this book unique is that the sentences taken from Anne's diary are in bold type, while the rest of the narrative describes what was happening in the Netherlands at the time.

From the Archives

Since we are in the process of archiving all kinds of objects from TD's history, including yearbooks, cookbooks, commemorative spoons, mugs, pins and articles of clothing, any items that could be of historical significance to TD are always a welcome donation. If you saved news bulletins or event programs from TD's past, and you no longer want to keep them, send them to TD. Please feel free to get in touch with me by email: knibbe@tdchristian. ca.

Relay for Life

Relay for Life is just about here! We are walking to fundraise money and awareness to fight cancer on this Friday, June 9 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. If your child is participating, please refer to the Participants' Letter that was sent out on Monday. It is also attached to this issue of the Fridge Door in case you missed it. We are looking forward to a fantastic day! If you would like to join us as a parent volunteer for part or all of the day, we would love to have you! Email Patty Schuurman (schuurman@tdchristian.ca). Please pray for a great day and favourable weather!

FINAL EVALUATIONS SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2017

All students:

Monday, June 19 – Study Day – students may not come to school. No buses. Wednesday, June 21 – Study Day – only students with permission may come to school. No buses.

Grade 9:

Tuesday, June 20:

9:40 a.m. Period 1 Classes: Geography, Science

12:45 p.m. Period 2, Day 1 Classes: Art, Music, Drama and PULSE.

Note: Period 2, Day 2 classes will complete their work during the final week of school.

Thursday, June 22:

9:40 a.m. Period 3 Class: Math (early start option of 9:15 a.m. with teacher's permission)

12:45 p.m. Period 4 Classes: French (Vanderkooy), English (Sjaarda, Westerhof), English/Learning Strategies/ESL (Helder, Kooy, Bauer)

Grades 10 to 12:

Tuesday, June 20:

9:40 a.m. Period 1 Classes and Internship Block – Part 1 (Note: some grade 12 final evaluations may begin at 8:55 a.m.)

12:45 p.m. Period 2 Classes and Internship Block – Part 2 (Note: some grade 12 final evaluations may begin at 12:15 p.m.)

Thursday, June 22:

9:40 a.m. Period 3 Classes (Note: some grade 12 final evaluations may begin at 8:55 a.m.) Internship Block students may not be at school as they are done on Tuesday.

12:45 p.m. Period 4 Classes (Note: some grade 12 final evaluations may begin at 12:15 p.m.) Internship Block students may not be at school as they are done on Tuesday.

Notes:

- 1. All students must remain in the class for the entire time.
- 2. All courses have final evaluations. Courses that do not have scheduled time on the final evaluation days have final evaluations done during or as part of regularly scheduled classes.
- 3. Students must pay all monies owed the school including library, textbook and athletic fines before writing final evaluations.
- 4. If school is cancelled for any reason, final evaluations will be moved to the next available week day.
- 5. Students who have a spare or supervised spare are expected to work quietly in the library or other empty supervised room.
- 6. The assumption is that all students will attend their scheduled final evaluations at the stated times. Exceptions for educational reasons must be requested through the Resource Department and have administrative approval. All other exceptions must be approved by Mr. Groot. Please contact him in person or e-mail groot@tdchristian.ca.

TDCHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS...



THURSDAY-SATURDAY, JUNE 22-24 @ 7 PM

& JOIN US FOR OUR "IMPROV MATINEE SPECIACULAR" SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2PMI

ADVANCE TICKETS \$10, \$15 AT THE DOOR GET YOURS AT TDCHRISTIAN.YAPSODY.COM





Relay For Life @ TDChristian High School

Date: June 9, 2017 Time: 11-8pm TDCHrelay@gmail.com

June 3, 2017

Dear Participants,

THANK YOU so much for supporting Relay for Life at TDChristian High School on on Friday, June 9, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. This fundraising event for the Cancer Society is just around the corner and we are so excited!

Here are answers to some important questions:

BEFOREHAND

What should you wear?

- Be prepared for all kinds of weather. Don't forget a sweater or jacket as it may get cooler in the evening. We will be indoors if the weather is really poor.
- Wear comfortable shoes that you can walk in.

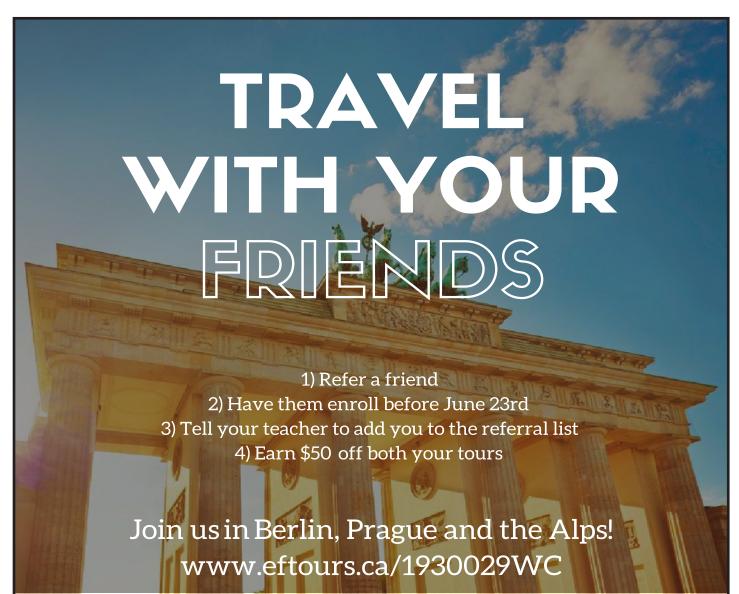
What should your team do and bring?

- Coordinate colours and/or create a costume for your team (e.g. bandanas, hats, matching shirts, face paint). BE CREATIVE, but make sure everything is school-appropriate.
- Make a team cheer!
- A canopy/tent.
- Board/card games.
- Bring lots of TEAM SPIRIT!

What should you bring?

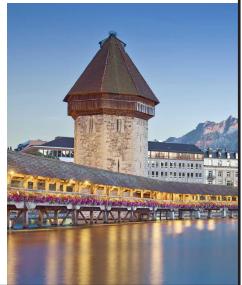
- A bagged lunch.
- Peanut-free snacks for you and/or your team.
- A refillable water bottle.
- Loonies and toonies for extra time at the booths and activities.
- Bring a change of clothes!

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Halton Hills Christian School Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday June 3rd 2017

Don't miss out on this fantastic day at the beautiful Eagle Ridge Golf Course in Georgetown. Come join us for great food, fellowship and golf! Tell your family and friends!



Everyone who attends will be guaranteed a prize of \$40 or more!! Registration forms available at HHCS office 905-877-4221. Early Pricing \$150 until May 19, 2017

We look forward to having everyone back, along with some new faces!

Play and receive 2 volunteer hours