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Nota Bene

- W. Groot

We have sent out 1206 letters requesting support for Project 20/20. Please prayerfully consider supporting this building initiative. Besides providing for a new and safer entrance from the road,

- our new multi-function rooms will be open and flexible places for project-based learning.
- we will have areas for quiet study and for small groups to brainstorm and collaborate.
- the presentation centre will be a place to celebrate and share learning.
- the foyer will be a welcoming space and have places for students to interact and exchange ideas.

As a school, we endeavour to enfold, engage and empower students to learn for service in the light of God's word. The Ontario Ministry of Education mandates that we help students develop the following learning skills: responsibility, organization, initiative, self-regulation, collaboration and independent work.

At TDChristian, however, we also wish to help students develop character habits – ones that will allow them to flourish as they serve wherever they go or are called. To that end, we are working to determine four to six habits or characteristics that we believe should help identify TDChristian graduates.

We desire your participation in and input. For Project 20/20 send your pledge or donation into TDChristian by PLEDGE DAY, Thursday, May 18 or go to tdchristian.ca and click on the BLUE banner. For Habits of a TDChristian graduate, please send your suggestions to groot@tdchristian.ca, call me at 905-851-1772 x 213, or talk to me.

Tomorrow, Thursday, May 11 from 6 to 8 p.m.

NOTICE Book Launch & Spring Open House

Students whose work is in the book (see list later in the Fridge Door) may get a free copy if they attend the evening.

new bus routes from
Meadowvale & Stouffville
are starting this September.

Board Notes: May 2017

- Ruth Ann Schuringa

As usual, we had a full agenda at the meeting of the Board of Directors of TDChristian High School on May 3. Besides the usual business of Principal's Report, Financial Report, and Project 20/20, we are preparing for new board members to join us next month. This preparation means reviewing committee and board roles and determining who will take them on for the next year. It also requires setting up mentors for the new board members so they have personal "guides" walking alongside them who can help answer questions and clarify any issues.

We were thrilled to get a sneak peak at the new 2017 edition of the "Notice" glossy and see all the good work by students of TDChristian. It will be launched on Thursday, May 11 at the Spring Open House. This book is a great tool to show potential families the kind of student work that happens at TDChristian. Get your own copy for \$10 and check it out!

We continue to care for our community by sending cards or notes of prayer and encouragement to those who are sick and/or grieving in our community. We have been praying these last months for Jeff Matheuszik and for Jeff Bouwers, and more recently, for Rod Dengerink. Please pray with us for healing and strength for these three men. And as always, please pray for TDChristian High School as we engage students in "learning for service in the light of God's word."

Praise & Petition

- A. Vanderkooy/M. Laswick

Many Grade 12 students are waiting to hear about final acceptance offers to universities and colleges. Please pray for them as they make decisions for moving forward while also working at finishing well here at TDChristian.

We are thankful for the many who have received acceptances.

Please continue to pray for families, mentioned in previous Fridge Doors, which have members who are struggling with health issues or the loss of loved ones.

Music Notes

- K. Hayward

On Friday May 5, TDChristian students made a significant contribution to the Ontario Christian High School Choral Festival. The group learned lots, had fun and sang beautifully. Thank you to family members and supporters who attended the concert. Your support and presence were appreciated.

On Thursday May 11, the TDChristian Concert Band will travel to King Christian School on 19740 Bathurst St. East Gwillimbury, to participate in a band festival. We will rehearse that morning before loading the busses. We will return to TDChristian before the end of the day so that students can take the regular busses home.

On Thursday May 25, the Annual Spring Concert will take place at 7 p.m. This year it is called, "Glorious Praise." Our musicians have been working hard toward this concert; do not miss it! Classical music, iconic hymns, and movie soundtracks are but a few of the items for which you can look forward. Students are reminded that dress for this concert will be jeans (no rips or tears) and plain coloured t-shirts (without stripes accents or logos).

The sound check schedule is as follows:

3:10 - Jazz Band 3:45 - Ascension 4:20 - soloists 5:30 - Concert Band 6:00 – Choir

Concert band members and parents are reminded that there will be a rehearsal on May 23, the Tuesday following Victoria Day in order to prepare for the concert that week.

If you have any questions about the music program, please e-mail Mr. Hayward at: hayward@tdchristian.ca.

Athletics

- C. Hoving

The **Girls Soccer** team kicked off York Region play with a bang, winning both games last week by wide margins. The girls play two more YRAA league games this week and play in the OCSSAA Championships this weekend hosted by Hamilton District Christian High School.

The **Boys Soccer** team is also participating in OCSSAA this weekend. It is hosted by King's Christian in Oakville.

The **Badminton Team** wrapped up its season at the OCSSAA Championships held on the final Friday and Saturday of April. The team had strong results at both the junior and senior levels, finishing 5th overall. We would like to especially recognize graduating players who participated: Eric and Brendan Flowers, Caleb Schaafsma and Emily Heming. Emily won gold in Girls Singles for the fourth consecutive year! Thank you to Mrs. Dengerink, Mr. Godber, and Mrs. Schuurman for coaching.

In late April, our **Ultimate Teams** competed in tournaments at Birchmount Collegiate. The senior team advanced and lost in the semi-finals while the juniors advanced and lost in the finals. Both teams kicked off York Region league play last week. The seniors won their first two games. The juniors won one and lost one.

The **OCSSAA Track and Field** meet was held on Monday, May 1, a cold and rainy day which made for miserable conditions. However, the athletes were warriors and battled against the elements. TDChristian finished 5th out of 18 teams (two spots better than last year). The next meet is the YRAA meet on May 16 and 17 at Bill Crothers. Regionals are May 25 and 26, at York University, for those that qualify on May 16 or 17.

Here is a list of **TDChristian students who finished in the top 3 at the OCSSAA Track & Field meet:**

Julio Albuquerque (3rd, 200m), Nathan Bellsmith (2nd, 3000m; 1st, 1500m), Ben deGroot (2nd, high jump), Naomi Gray (3rd, 200m), Matt Groot (3rd, 3000m; 2nd, 1500m), Haley Hollander (3rd, 200m; 2nd, triple jump), Hannah Horlings (3rd, 3000m), Noah Maas (1st, 400m), Faith Obadun (3rd, 400m), Dolapo Olabintan (3rd, long jump), Tamilore Olufemi (3rd 100m), Holly Roos (2nd high jump; 1st, long jump), Adrian Straatsma (2nd, triple jump), Eric VanZeumeren (1st, high jump), Midget Girls (1st, 4x100m relay - Kaitlyn VanLaare, Holly Roos, Haley Hollander, Sarah Ufkes), Senior Boys (3rd, 4x100m relay - Caleb Mathai, Logan Maas, Matt Reid, Dolapo Olabintan). *Note: Athletes can see the full list of results in the Edsby Track & Field group.*

Interested in attending a basketball camp this summer? Matolops Basketball will be running a camp out of our school from July 24 to 28. For more information or to register, visit <http://www.matolopsbasketball.com/master-the-game>.

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

TDChristian Clothing Available Online until Monday, May 15

TDChristian clothing is again available online. The link can be found at www.tdchsestore.com or on the Splash! Page under Important Information.

Guidance

Community Service Hours: Grade 12 students and parents are reminded that one of the mandatory requirements for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma is the completion and approval of 40 hours. Students who do not have those hours completed need to look for ways to do so. Signed documentation needs to be handed in to Marg in the office. Guidelines and Approval Forms are available on our Splash! Page.

Grade 12 students should check deadlines for entrance tests and information sessions (mostly community colleges), residence applications, personal information forms (mostly universities), and scholarship deadlines (all applicants). Do you need help? Check with your guidance counsellor.

Many universities and colleges, as well as other organizations offer help with the transition process from high school to post-secondary. Check their websites for dates and times. Here are some examples:

- McMaster University offers a summer transition program for students with disabilities. These workshops provide students with the information, resources, and tools needed for successful transition to university. To register on-line, go to www.sas.mcmaster.ca/transition.html. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.
- Carleton Enriched Support Program: Don't miss out on university! ESP is a full-time program that offers the opportunity to enrol in first-year university courses, earn admission to a degree and strengthen your academic skills. This is for high school and university students with the potential to succeed at university but who do not meet the traditional entrance requirements. Check out carleton.ca/esp for further details. Application deadline: June 30, but you are encouraged to apply earlier.

Attending the University of Waterloo and looking for a residence? Here's a message from Conrad Grebel Conrad Grebel University College has been thankful to have had fantastic students from Toronto District Christian High live at its residence here in the past. We are always excited to see a TDChristian student apply. For this reason we wanted to let students know that we are currently receiving Grebel residence applications for Fall 2017. We know that sometimes our small institution slips through the cracks and students who would have loved to live at Grebel don't hear about us. Students planning to attend UW starting in September 2017 who are interested in finding out more can check the link at uwaterloo.ca/grebel/future-students or contact Rebekah, the Student Life and Recruitment Coordinator at Conrad Grebel University College by emailing rjdejong@uwaterloo.ca or phoning her at 519-885-0220 x24215. We are receiving applications until May 29. *Note: You @Waterloo Day, a day where admitted students get to discover student life, is happening on May 27th. Your prospective University of Waterloo Students could visit then or can always book a tour by connecting with Rebekah.*

Power to Change: Graduating from high school is an exciting milestone. Will you be continuing your studies at a Canadian college or university? Make your faith count. Connect with Power to Change on your campus by going to P2c.sh/findmycampus. Sign up for their newsletter at p2c.com/students/subscribe. For high school graduates transitioning to post-secondary, consider going to TRANSITION 101 in Toronto (Knox Presbyterian Church) on Saturday, June 3. Connect with God's mission on campus, God's community on campus and God's work in you. Check www.transition101.ca for details.

Scholarships

- For scholarship information, check schoolfinder.com and yconic

Summer School and Other Summer Opportunities

- Summer School Registration is available now in most school boards. TDChristian does not run a summer school program. Students 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 try to get in at the last minute. Courses often fill up quickly.
- Information regarding summer school is on the Splash! Page. Contact Mrs. Dengerink for more information.
- ONTARIO SUMMER JOBS helps working-age students (15-30) gain jobs and experience through a range of summer job opportunities. They connect students to free self-marketing and job search services in all employment sectors. Check the following websites: www.ontario.ca/summerjobs, www.ontario.ca/careers, and www.youthconnect.ca.

Are you 18-25 years old and thinking about what you are going to do this summer, or next year? Are you willing to LEARN to SERVE? By sharing your faith in words and deeds, in a Toronto Community Housing neighbourhood, through building relationships with children, youth and families, on a team led by UPT missionaries, through leading activities in after school and summer camp programs, for the summer or a full year, while living in community with other interns from around the world? Check <http://www.urbanpromise.com/take-action/mission-internships> for further details.

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.

From the Drama Department

- R. Peters

- The Alumni/Sketch Writing Class about-to-be-annual Sketch Show is coming - Look for full details in the next Fridge Door!!!
- Auditions for next years' production of "2000 Candles" and our "Showpro" class are on Tuesday, May 16 and Wednesday, May 17. Hopefuls are asked to prepare one Christmas song to sing, and one personal story from a Christmas past. This class is going to be an incredible one, as we are working to bring in all the original creative team - including Ins Choi, the playwright of "Kim's Convenience" and Soulpepper Theatre fame! More information about the show is available at <http://2000candles.com/>
- The Drama Department is looking for a parent with carpet-laying experience. Need to top up some volunteer hours? We've got the job for you!

From the Library

- J. Knibbe

Online Information Resource: Did you know that TDChristian subscribes to a great online information resource? Encyclopedia Britannica Online is accessible to all students and parents. Go to the TDChristian Splash! Page and click on "Encyclopedia Britannica". The user name and password are available by contacting the librarian at knibbe@tdchristian.ca. Not only are there thousands of articles on thousands of topics available, but also pictures and videos. Once you click on an article, a number of options appear in the dock above the article, including the ability to print, email, save as a favourite, enlarge for easier reading, or switch to an audio version. Be sure to check out this reliable resource.

Please send in any textbooks or library books that display the TDChristian stamp. We are always happy to receive books that have been missing, whether for a short period of time or for several years.

From the Archives

- J. Knibbe

We replaced a missing yearbook through the generous donation of someone from our school community.

We are in the process of archiving objects from TDChristian's history, including yearbooks, commemorative spoons, cookbooks, mugs, pins and articles of clothing. Any items that could be of historical significance to our school are always a welcome donation. Please feel free to get in touch with me by email: knibbe@tdchristian.ca.

Class Trips

On Friday, May 12, the grade 10 French/History class is welcoming their "twins" from Ecole Chavigny, Trois Rivieres. We will spend one week sharing our culture, visiting heritage sites and two days in Toronto.

On Focus Day, Tuesday, May 16, Grade 10 PE students will go to Skyzone Trampoline Park in Vaughan in the morning. After lunch they will walk from Bindertwine Park in Kleinburg to Boyd Park in Woodbridge along the William Granger Greenway. Students and parents MUST complete the Skyzone Waiver in order to jump. There is a link on the Edsby class feed. Students should bring their own lunch as there will be no places to purchase lunch.

Volunteer Hours Opportunity for Students

Help clean up after Richview Baptist's Garage Sale on Sat., May 13 starting at 2 p.m. (see ad later in the Fridge Door). Free Pizza Dinner included. Contact Fariza Payne at fariza.payne@gmail.com. Many students are needed.

Relay For Life

On Friday, June 9, from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm, students are invited to join in a fundraising event for cancer research. A group of students are planning a day of walking as well as fun activities and snacks in the hope of raising awareness and money to battle cancer. If you would like to join us in walking, providing a donation, or volunteering for the day, WE WOULD LOVE IT! Please contact Patty Schuurman at the school (X203) or e-mail at schuurman@tdchristian.ca.

Spring Open House & Notice 2017 Book Launch



Thursday, May 11, 6-8 p.m.

Our students create some truly beautiful work! Join us as we celebrate the 2017 launch of our annual collection of student work—*Notice: The People of TDChristian High School Making and Doing*.

Hear from and see projects from many of the students featured in the book, enjoy hors d'oeuvres, and be one of the first to get your copy of *Notice*.

Plus, we'll also be hosting an **Open House** for families with students in grades 5-8 who are considering TDChristian for the future.

Meet teachers, talk to students, take a tour of the school, and discover what we're all about. Bring the whole family and find out why **YOU BELONG at TDChristian!**

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(Coming to the Open House? We'd appreciate an RSVP to admissions@tdchristian.ca)

SAVE THE DATE!

Agua for Nicaragua

Richview Baptist Church
is holding their 11th annual

GARAGE SALE BBQ & Silent Auction

Rain or shine! Indoors!

Saturday, May 13th, 2017

8 am – 2 pm

Richview Baptist Church
1548 Kipling Avenue
(2 lights north of Eglinton)

All proceeds to fund mission trip to Nicaragua to provide clean drinking water through Water Ambassadors Canada

Have stuff to donate? Call Paul Payne @ 416-706-4510



SAVE THE DATE!

MAY 29, 2017

KCS GOLF MARATHON

Celebrating the 21st Annual Golf Marathon This Year

Have you been asking yourself, "What is this amazing event called a Golf Marathon that everyone is talking about?"

Well, here it is in a nutshell. For the past 20 years, dedicated and enthusiastic supporters of King Christian School (formerly HMDCS) have participated in this event by getting friends, relatives, co-workers and anyone they can think of to sponsor them to play golf. Some participants will play 100 holes or more in one day! Other golfers take it a bit easier and that is just fine too.

Our day starts with a hot breakfast, we break for lunch and end the day with a delicious dinner with prizes. It is always a wonderful day of fellowship, fun and a great way to support King Christian School.

We would love to have you join us. The Golf Marathon will take place on Monday, May 29, 2017 at the beautiful Innisbrook Golf Course. Pick up a registration package at the school office or if you want a few more details before joining in the fun, feel free to email:

Lisa Martens lmartens@gmail.com

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