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Nota Bene

- W. Groot

The Board met offsite earlier this month to do some “blue sky thinking”... what should TDChristian look like in 10 years and beyond. In order to better tackle that question, we did a little review. TDChristian’s mission is to be an intentional and God-honouring learning community. Our vision is to be a community of learners who serve God and others through authentic and relevant Christ-centred education.

In Year 51, 2013-14, after many drafts and much discussion amongst staff, and with board, community and student input, we decided to focus on “learning for service in the light of God’s word.” We made a commitment to enfold students into our learning community, engage them in learning that helps them grow today with an eye to the future, and empower them to serve God and others, wherever they go or whatever they do. The review was helpful for the board and it is why I share it with you. The main thing has to be the main thing – learning. If you are interested in knowing more, check the Spring 2014 edition of the @td (found under the Publications link on the tdchristian.ca page).

To that end, the first set of Learning Dialogues was a great success. We appreciated the over 140 families who came for over 600 interviews. We also had over 20 people attend the New Members Meeting to learn about becoming a member of the TDChristian High School Society.

We look forward to seeing many of you – parents, guardians, members or not – for the second set of Learning Dialogues on Nov. 21 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. followed by our Fall Membership Meeting on Tuesday, November 21. Thank you for partnering with us... in person or through Edsby. Help us, challenge us to be better.

Christian School Teachers Edifide Conference - October 26 & 27

Tomorrow, October 26 and Friday, October 27, Christian School teachers from across Ontario will gather together for a day of learning, connecting and encouraging, through workshops, sharing and learning from professional speakers. Please pray for an uplifting and inspiring conference for all participants.

On Thursday, students have an assignment for their period four class (Project Day 4), and Friday is a PD Day (no assignment). Buses will not run and students are to stay home.

Grade 7 & 8 Day

- P. Schuurman

How do you make one of our biggest days of the year even bigger? Grade 8 Day is now Grade 7 & 8 Day! On November 16, all current Grade 7 & 8 students are invited to a day full of activities and fun that will give you a great taste of what TDChristian is all about! Parents and guardians are also welcome. We have a special program just for you, including lunch! Current families, who should you invite to Grade 7 & 8 Day? Get more details and RSVP by emailing Patty Schuurman, who is our VP of Admissions (schuurman@tdchristian.ca). Remember you can earn 10 volunteer hours for helping non-feeder school families enrol their child(ren) at TDChristian.

Praise & Petition

Joni Knibbe, our librarian, will be undergoing shoulder surgery on November 8. Please pray for successful surgery and her recovery. We anticipate that she will return in January.

Grade 9 Take Your Kids to Work Day - November 1

On Wednesday, November 1, 2017, Grade 9 students from many schools across the country including those from TDChristian High School will participate in the "Take Your Kid to Work" program. For the benefits of, and the reasons for our participation, see The Learning Partnership's webpage: www.thelearningpartnership.ca/what-we-do/student-programs/take-our-kids-to-work.

Packages have been handed out to all Grade 9 students (they are also posted on the TDChristian SplashPage). Marks for the work done will become part of period 2 class grades. Parents, guardians and homestay parents are asked to review them with their child(ren). The package will consist of an Introduction Letter to the Employer, a Workplace Agreement Form, a Parent/Guardian/Student discussion sheet, a Job Shadowing Interview form to fill in with the host, and a *Take Your Kid to Work Day* reflection assignment. Students must complete all sections including their parent's or guardian's or homestay's signature. Packages and photos or videos will be due on Friday, November 3 in the main office.

Mentorship

- S. VanEerden

The Grade 11 Students have begun the process of thinking about, contacting, and securing their mentorship placements. Friday, November 17 is the next due date. At this time, students are required to hand-in their Mentorship Approval Form to their Period 1 teachers. This form requires confirmation from a willing mentor and a plan for how they will spend their time together. It can be found on Edsby in their Period 1 class, or on the TDChristian Splash Page under Mentorship 2017-18. If you have any questions, direct them to Sean Van Eerden (vaneerden@tdchristian.ca).

From the TDChristian Parent Association

The Fall Rummage sale raised \$5000! Thank you to the many volunteers who donated, baked, organized, served and carved time into their busy schedules to make this event happen. All proceeds will go to our school kitchen renovations.

If you sent in a crockpot or other food container for the rummage sale, it can be collected at the school.

Music Notes

- K. Hayward

All TDChristian music groups continue to make progress in their quest to become ensembles unified in purpose and sound.

- Ascension made their first presentation at the assembly on Friday.
- Concert Band members are reminded about their playing test next Thursday on the Prelude and Fugue in B flat (1st section).
- Grade 9 choir students who have not already done so, need to hand in their permission forms as soon as possible.

As we look forward toward the concert on December 14, parents and guardians of students in Grade 9 who are currently taking music, choir and band are reminded that these students will be participating in the concert as part of their course requirements. The concert begins at 7:00 pm, however, sound checks will begin as early as 3:00 pm for some students.

Grade 9 students participating in the concert are welcome to stay on school property after school and can have a pizza dinner provided for a nominal fee. Further details will be provided as we get closer to the event.

Dress for the concert is formal or dressy attire. The colour scheme for the concert is black bottoms (including shoes) and white tops.

Females should dress in black dress pants or long skirts (no leggings, jeggings, or yoga pants) and a white dress blouse or top. An all black dress or top is also appropriate. All tops must have sleeves. Males should wear black dress pants, black shoes, and a white dress shirt. Black ties are optional.

Parents, guardians and those responsible for transporting concert band members to rehearsals will want to be aware that there will be no rehearsals on the following dates: Thursday, October 26, Thursday, November 16 and no rehearsals in January.

Please send any questions about the music program to Mr. Hayward (hayward@tdhristian.ca).

Guidance

- E. Dengerink

Grades 10, 11 and 12 students: **SHAD** is an opportunity to be challenged, to network for life and to connect to future internship opportunities. Attend this transformational month-long summer program at one of 13 Canadian universities. SHAD exposes you to advanced topics, and supports students to discover new ways to learn, engage, experiment and excel. Check it out at WWW.SHAD.CA. or see Mr. Templeton for more information.

Colleges and Universities

Many post-secondary institutions offer **Fall Tour Days**. Check the bulletin board outside the guidance office or the university or college website for dates and times. It's important to visit the schools you are considering for your post-secondary education.

Interested in visiting **Lakehead University** in Thunder Bay but don't have the money to fly there? Check mylakehead.ca/campustourbursary for information on eligibility requirements for up to \$500.00 towards travel costs.

Not sure what to do next year? **Outtatown** is for any student (age 17-22) with a high school diploma and the courage and willingness to dig deep and take risks. They welcome students whom are looking for a discipleship year full of adventure, learning, service, travel, friendship and faith development. Check Canadian Mennonite University for further details at www.outtatown.com

On November 18, 2017, **Carleton University's Faculty of Engineering and Design** will be hosting an open house in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) at the Living Arts Centre in Mississauga, ON. This annual event will provide prospective students and their families with the opportunity to learn more about Carleton's Engineering and Design programs.

Grade 12 Students: Application time is here! You will receive your PIN number in the next few weeks. This will allow you to begin applying for Ontario Universities during November and December. You can already apply to Community Colleges; just log on to ontariocolleges.ca. Guidance will hold an information session with you in the next week or two, so that you know how to proceed. Please let your guidance counsellor know if you have any concerns or questions. Remember that private universities and colleges or out of province institutions have their own websites where you can apply.

House of Commons Page Program: Each year, 40 students graduating from high schools and CEGEPs are selected from across Canada to participate in the Page Program. Pages are undergraduate students who are registered as full-time students at one of the four universities in the National Capital Region. They work on a part-time basis during their first year of study. Check out ourcommons.ca/page for more information or speak with your guidance counsellor.

Portfolio Mentorship

Vaughan Public Library is partnering with the City of Vaughan, and Level Studio to offer a free one-on-one portfolio review for high school students. This is a great opportunity for art, technology, and design students to receive mentoring from experts in their desired field.

Bring any art and design pieces you have to the one-on-one portfolio session at a library near you.

Dates and Locations:

- Saturday, November 4 Pierre Berton Resource Library
- Saturday, December 2 Civic Centre Resource Library
- Sunday, January 7 Bathurst Clark Resource Library

For more information and registration visit www.level-studio.ca/portfolio-mentorship

Scholarships

Please note that not all scholarships are based on academic achievement. Many reward creative thinking, community involvement and extra-curricular participation. Scholarships take time to research and to apply for, but are worth the effort if you qualify. Check the specific university you are interested in to see which scholarships you are eligible for!

- **Yconic awards** thousands of dollars in scholarships. Go to their website, create an yconic profile, answer a few questions and check out your scholarship matches. Furthermore, you can get access to articles and useful content that will help you navigate your academic journey. It's fast, it's free, and it's easy!

- **TD Bank Scholarships:** If you're a young Canadian who has made a difference in your community, we want to hear from you. Up to \$70,000 in scholarships plus paid employment and mentorship opportunities for students in their final year of high school with an overall average of 75%. Check www.td.com/scholarship to see if you qualify. Deadline: November 17, 2017.

Volunteer Opportunites (for an overview, see [Volunteering @ TDChristian on the Splash! Page](#))

Volunteer Drivers: Driving to and from away games is a great way for parents/guardians to get involved at TDChristian. Not only do you get to watch your child's team play, you can also earn volunteer hours and cut down on the school's transportation costs. Please contact each coach to ask about volunteer driving opportunities. The breakdown of how hours are earned by driving for athletics is available on the [Splash! Page](#).

OFSAA Boys Volleyball Championships at TDChristian and Humber College: Nov. 22 to 25

1) We will be looking for student and parent or guardian volunteers to help 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.

2) The following volunteers are needed:

- 5 parents to do laundry for 4 teams each on Thursday night.
- 30 parents to donate baked goods (nut free) and fruit for hospitality for our volunteers, coaches, referees.
- 10 parents to donate pots of soup or chili.

Please contact Colin Hoving at hoving@tdchristian.ca

TDChristian Parent Volunteer Committee - 2000 Candles Dinner/Theatre December 2

- 2 volunteers to help set up auction items on Saturday morning from 9:00 am-11:00 am

- 6 volunteers to help set up, serve dinner and clean up after the Dinner Theatre from 4:30 pm - 11:00 pm

- 10 speciality cakes - cakes that are decorated/frosted - **must be nut free** - 2 hours given for each cake.

All volunteers for hours and cakes can contact Nicole Bell (nicolebell22@hotmail.com) or (416) 389-4192.

Do You Like to Bake? For many of the TDChristian events that are scheduled throughout the year, volunteers are recruited to provide homemade, nut free baking. If you would like to add your name to the list and receive volunteer hours for providing baked goods, please contact Julia at tdchristianbaking@gmail.com.

We need your help: It's that time of year again that we ask that you consider donating a silent auction item for our dinner theatre evening being held Saturday, December 2. We are looking to have a selection of items for bidding including sporting event tickets, theatre tickets, electronics, business services, jewelry etc. Note that we recognize all individuals/businesses that donate these items. Please contact Dave Jackson at david.jackson2@veritivcorp.com. The deadline for these items to be received is Wednesday, November 29. Thank you in advance for your participation.

From the Library

- J. Knibbe

We have new reading we have added to our collection. Come on in and check them out!

The Seven Series by various authors, including Eric Walters and Sigmund Brouwer: Seven young men, a beloved grandfather, and a will outlining seven different tasks is the setting for this series. These young men set out on various adventures that take them to Spain, Iceland, and even the top of Mt. Kilimanjaro.

From the Art Room

The Art room is asking for donations of plastic materials (ie: bubble wrap), old cookie sheets and pillow cases.

Athletics

- C. Hoving

Our fall sports are heading into the final week of regular season. Some teams will begin playoffs next week. Keep an eye on Edsby for playoff game information where applicable.

The Junior Boys Tier 2 Volleyball team wraps up its season this evening at Vaughan S.S. Although still winless in league play, the boys have had a good season of development. Thank you to Mrs. Dengerink for coaching.

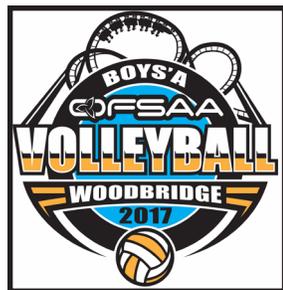
The Senior Boys Tier 1 Volleyball team sit in the middle of the pack as they complete their regular season next week, and gear up for playoffs. The boys had their TDChristian Invitational Tournament today, and head to OCSSAA next weekend (hosted by Quinte Christian).

The Senior Boys Tier 2 Volleyball team is 5-5 in league play, and also in the middle of the pack. The boys were also at the TDChristian Invitational today and will start playoffs next week.

The Boys Soccer team wrapped up its fall season last night at King City High School. Although it did not result in wins the boys will look ahead to the spring season. Thanks to Mr. Heinbuch, Mr. E. Vrieling and parent Edgar Herrate.

The Girls Basketball team continues the trend of sitting in the middle of the pack with a 3-4 league record. It wraps up the regular season tonight at Maple, and will begin playoffs next week. The girls are at OCSSAA next weekend in Hamilton/Niagara.

A collection of players from the TDChristian Intramural Hockey League is heading to Calvin College this weekend from Thursday to Saturday to represent our school at a three game tournament and recruitment weekend. The students will participate in "Fridays at Calvin" to get a glimpse of university life.



OFSAA Volleyball

OFSAA Boys Volleyball is a month away! TDChristian will be hosting the event at our school and Humber College from November 22 to 25. November 22: Registration and Banquet, November 23 & 24: Pool Play and Quarterfinals, and November 25: Championship Saturday.

We are looking for several Corporate sponsors to help cover the athlete costs such as hospitality, medical support and door prizes for the banquet. Sponsorship could also be in the form of donations that would be attractive to teenage boys. Contact Tim Buwalda (buwalda@tdchristian.ca).

Croquette Fundraiser for Belize

We have sold out of the first batch of croquette boxes! Due to overwhelming demand, another 25 boxes are arriving this week. Contact Marg (marg@tdchristian.ca) or Rod Dengerink (rdengerink@tdchristian.ca) if you would like a case or two of 36, pre-cooked, all beef croquettes for only \$45!

The Belize team is in need of donations of school and craft supplies, playground toys, paint brushes, sports equipment, duct tape, baby and children's clothes to take along with them on their upcoming trip. Any items you can donate would be greatly appreciated. Also, if you have any large luggage in good shape that you do not need back, will use them to transport the extra supplies.

GRADE

7 & 8

DAY

Thursday, November 16, 9:30 am - 2 pm

Grade 7 & 8 Day is your best opportunity to find out why TDChristian is the high school where you belong! Join hundreds of other grade 7 & 8 students for a day of exploring, making new friends, and a whole lot of fun. Lunch is provided.

Separate parents' program as well!



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& 2023!

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NOVEMBER 1!**



2000 Candles is a joyous musical theatre celebration of over 2000 Christmases. Funny and thoughtful, moving and memorable, this show has it all!

Join us for the **Dinner Theatre** Show Saturday, December 2



Invite your friends out to a delicious gourmet dinner, intimate performance, and exciting silent auction. All proceeds go to the school!

Tickets before Oct. 31: \$55 After Oct. 31: \$65

Reserve yours at playtickets@tdchristian.ca today!



**LAST YEAR'S DINNER THEATRE SHOW SOLD OUT FAST!
RESERVE YOUR TICKETS AT playtickets@tdchristian.ca!**

Do you know of a business that could benefit from advertising in the program for this year's stage production of 2000 candles? Contact Jocelyn Kwan (Jocelyn_Kwan@tdchristian.ca) for more information. Reach a couple of thousand people for pennies a person!

Euro2018

Time is running out to sign up for the March 2018 Europe trip. Some trip highlights include The Brandenburg Gate, Check Point Charlie, The City of 100 Spires, The Munich Olympic Stadium, Neuschwanstein Castle (the inspiration for Sleeping Beauty's castle) and Mount Pilatus in Lucerne, Switzerland. Enrol at www.eftours.ca/1930029WC. Contact Ms. Cate (cate@tdchristian.ca) if you have any questions.