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Learning Dialogues

It's not too late to sign up for Learning Dialogues on Thurs., Oct. 19 (3:30 to 5:00 p.m. or 6 - 8:00 pm). Take your child, if you like, and sign up for seven minute sessions to dialogue about your child's learning with teachers. Log onto schoolinterviews.ca and type the event code "6jsng". Then book your times.

Nota Bene

- W. Groot

After a wonderful, though busy, Thanksgiving weekend, I am reminded of the many blessings in my life: faith, family, work, friends, and community. God is indeed great! I wish I could report that everything is perfect – but it is not. As stated in our Identity Statement (under the About Us tab on the tdchristian.ca page), "the world is not divided neatly into good guys and bad guys; the line between good and evil runs down the middle of all our hearts. Christians do some things badly while non-Christians do some things well, and vice versa. All human beings fall short of God's glory, and all reflect something of his image." However, I can report that, "Everything he does reveals his glory and majesty. His righteousness never fails. (Psalm 111:3)" That is something precious that upholds us in the "grey" of life. God is truth and upholds the truth; our Lord does not fail.

We promise to work with families: enfolding, engaging and empowering students so that they can learn for service in the light of God's word. The safe return of students from Algonquin, Quebec, and Toronto, as well as the faithful and diligent school work done daily, encourages me. It's about learning... and that is happening!

Yesterday we had eight recent grads return to the school (it's their reading break) and share with current Grade 12 students things to think about and do now in preparation for university. I was impressed by their advice as well as their poise, thoughtfulness, and insight. It's great when one generation of students can pass wisdom on to those who follow.

Tomorrow is Fall Open House and Information Evening

If you have children who are in Grades 6 through 8, there is an Open House tomorrow evening (October 12) at 7 pm. High school age students who might be considering somewhere different than their current school are also welcome to join us. This is an evening in which information about our programs, tours of the building and various high school experiences will be shared and presented. Here's the bonus -- there's dessert, too! See you then, and feel free to invite your friends as well!

We speak your language.

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 HIGH SCHOOL

Who can you invite to our Open House Night on Thursday, Oct. 12, 7 - 9 pm?

Praise & Petition

- E. Dengerink/M. Laswick

Rod Dengerink has completed his treatments and is feeling much better. We are thankful and enjoy having him back at school.

We give thanks that the students, teachers and chaperones who participated in the Grade 11 Service trip, the Algonquin trip, and the Grade 12 French trip had a positive experience and returned home safely. It is an incredible blessing to have these unique opportunities to learn, serve, and contribute to a wonderful community.

Photo Retake Day

Photo retake day is next Wednesday, October 18. If you are unhappy with the pictures, your child missed our first picture day or have decided you would like to order photos after all, please sign up in the office.

Grade 10 Trip to Beacon Reflection

- P. Schuurman

On Wednesday, September 27, Grade 10 students headed north to Beacon Bible Camp. The scenery was beautiful and the property was perfect for water activities, land activities, large group gatherings and small group discussions. The focus of this trip was to learn more about peers, about empathy and how to grow an openness towards others. Lots of games and group activities kept the students active as they engaged in conversation, played tether ball, canoed, enjoyed a campfire, swam, played games and hiked just to name a few things. TDChristian grad, Dan Olthof, challenged their faith in an inspirational message. All together, it was a memorable event, one that brought the students together in a variety of ways.

Grade 11 Toronto Service Trip

- P. Schuurman

Last week, Grade 11 students from Mr. Terpstra and Mr. VanEerden's Perspective and English classes spent time in downtown Toronto. Students visited various placements who seek to help people experiencing homelessness and the challenges of low income. We cleaned, served meals, made beds, talked with guests, played Bingo, and organized materials in an effort to assist these various places. In doing so, students delved into the opportunity to receive blessings themselves as they learned how to interact with each other and serve others. We enjoyed an amazing evening tour of the city, lead by Mr. Ben Freeman and experienced different ethnic foods as well. It was a very rich experience.

Earth & Space Science Trip

- D. Robinson

The 15th annual Earth and Space trip has returned from Algonquin safe and sound. Friday was unusually wet and cold, proving that TDChristian has some fantastic campers. Our students banded together against the elements to get dry and warm, and once the sun came the next day, they got down to water sampling, soil coring, and plant identification. If they work as hard on their research papers as they did on the trip, I will enjoy reading them!

Grade 12 French Trip

- F. Joosse

The week before Thanksgiving, the Grade 12 French class goes to Quebec City, and this year was no exception. Early Monday morning, Pastor John Tenyenhuis, 8 students and I loaded up two vans and headed east. The summer-like weather, awe-inspiring sights (such as the Montmorency Falls, Ste. Anne de Beaupre and Mt. Ste. Anne), rich history lessons, comfortable accommodations, camaraderie, and the freedom to revel in all of that, made for an unforgettable trip during which we experience Quebecois culture and hospitality.

Grade 11 Mentorship@TDChristian

- S. VanEerden

Mentorship is underway. As students begin to think more seriously about their future careers, they find this experience to be enriching, eye-opening, and empowering. This semester, students must think about possible mentors (due this Friday, October 13), find a mentor (due November 17), and write a short report on their mentor called Get-To-Know Your Mentor (due January 10). For all information, click the mentorship link on the Splash Page. If you are interested in being a mentor or hosting someone at your workplace, you qualify for volunteer hours. If you have any questions, please contact Sean Van Eerden at vaneerden@tdchristian.ca.

Grade 7 & 8 Day

- T. Buwalda

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 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).

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 will be handed out to all grade 9 students within the next 2 weeks (they will also be posted on the TDChristian SplashPage). Marks for the work done will be come part of period 2 class grades. Parents, guardians and homestay parents are asked to review it with their child(ren). The package will consist of an Introduction letter to 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. 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.

Grade 10 French History Block Meeting Reminder

There is an important, mandatory meeting for parents/guardians and students signed up for the Grade 10 French/History course tomorrow evening (October 12) at 7:00 pm. This is the same evening as the Open House for parents new to the school. Please contact Ms. Joosse if you are unable to attend.

Transportation

- M. Heinbuch

Thank you for your patience during the first few weeks of the year, especially those families who had their bus times adjusted during that time. Almost all buses have all been arriving on time for the past two weeks.

Many have asked me, "Why did my bus time need to change?" Route times were based on dry-runs made last June. Over the summer, construction (for water mains, bike lanes, transit lanes, road widening, bridge construction) and increased car volume has changed the traffic flow in various areas (particularly in Vaughan). Changes to the timing of traffic lights can add minutes to many of our routes. In short, what worked back in June did not work in September.

We made changes to routes by looking to see if taking an alternative path would help so that we wouldn't have to ask people to get up earlier. If an alternative route was not possible, we started the route earlier. Even five minutes can make a big difference with traffic flow and light patterns. For example, one bus started 10 minutes earlier and it took over 15 minutes off the route time.

We will continue working to make the best routes possible.

Community Service Hours

The Ministry of Education mandates every high school student in Ontario to complete 40 hours of Community Service as part of their diploma requirements. Once a student reaches the required 40 hours, we stop recording. Students should keep copies of the paperwork submitted for their own records in case there is ever a discrepancy, or if they would like to use these hours for scholarship possibilities in the future.

TDChristian Community Service Hour forms are available on our website (with guideline information as well). Please ensure that they are filled in completely and correctly when submitting hours to the office. If students submit forms from other agencies such as churches, they must attach one of our forms to it and fill in whatever information they can.

Music Notes

- K. Hayward

On Thursday, December 14, at 7:00 pm all TDChristian music groups will be performing at the annual Christmas concert. In addition to the Concert and Jazz bands, the choir and Ascension (TDChristian's Praise band), there will be soloists, carols sung by the audience and tasty treats at the end. Students currently taking Grade 9 music will also be performing that night.

Dress for the concert is formal/dressy attire. The colour scheme is black bottoms (including shoes) and white tops. For females, black dress pants or long skirts (no leggings, jeggings or yoga pants) and a white dress blouse or top. A long (knee length) black dress is also appropriate. All tops must have sleeves. For males, black dress pants, black shoes and a white dress shirt are required. Black ties are optional.

Sound checks for students in the Jazz Band and Ascension will occur between 3:00 and 4:30 pm. Grade 9 music students, Concert band and choir students will have their sound checks beginning at around 5:00 pm. A more detailed schedule will be posted closer to the date.

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

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

Guidance

- E. Dengerink

GRADE 12 STUDENTS PLEASE NOTE: If you have not already done so, please sign up in the main office for your 15 minute guidance appointment. You can prepare for the interview by having your questions ready.

Colleges and Universities

- The Christian University Advantage Tour will be held at TDChristian on Monday, October 16. Grade 12 students can sign up and meet with specific university representatives from 9:00 -9:30 am. The Grade 11 students will be able to attend several workshops as well as specific university sessions throughout the rest of the morning.
- Emmanuel Bible College and Heritage Bible College will be visiting TDChristian on Tuesday, October 24 during lunch. Drop by their booth for more information.
- The Ontario College Information Fair will take place on October 24 and 25 at the Enercare Centre. Check www.ocif.ca for further details and registration.
- The U.S. College Expo takes place on October 24 and 25 in Toronto and Oakville respectively. Check <http://uscollegeexpo.com/school-tours> for details and to register.
- OCAD University is holding its National Portfolio Day on Saturday, November 4. Review of portfolios are from 12 noon until 4 pm. Doors open at 11:45 am. For more information, visit <https://www.ocadu.ca/admissions/national-portfolio-day.htm>
- Fall Tours/Open Houses Most post-secondary institutions offer Fall Tour Days. Check the websites for dates and times or check the bulletin board outside the guidance office for more information. The Teachers' Convention (October 26, 27) is a good time to go and explore your options. Calvin College offers their Ontario Bus Trip Tour during this weekend. You can be picked up right from TDCH on Thursday, October 26. Check out <https://calvin.edu/calendar/event.html?id=a3d1fcd5-1f44-454e-930b-7aa0b4855fa6> for more information.

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 out the new Scholarship bulletin board outside the Guidance Office for information about various scholarships.

- Join yconic.com so you can be matched with thousands of scholarships and other awards. Furthermore, you can get access to articles and useful content that will help you navigate your academic journey. It's fast, it's free, it's easy!
- Loran Awards offers scholarships to certain universities in Canada for students who have an 85% average and hold Canadian citizenship or residency status. For further information or to decide if you qualify, visit www.loranscholar.ca. You can apply online. Deadlines are October 18 and October 25.
- The Horatio Alger Ontario Scholarship program seeks to honour students who have demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, financial need, a good academic record and a

commitment to going to a public college or university in Ontario. Check out www.horatioalger.org/ontarioscholarship to see if you qualify. Deadline is October 25.

- The Niagara Region Right to Life offers The Father Ted Colleton Scholarship essay contest for students who are interested in the pro-life cause. Visit the website www.theinterim.com for more information.
- Sonic Grades: Get Great Grades! WIN CASH! Every fourth year student at our school with an 80% average or higher will have the opportunity to win \$1000. There will be a minimum of one prize awarded per high school, as well as some wild card prizes. Check www.facebook.com/royfosswoodbridge or twitter.com/fosswoodbridge for details and announcements.
- TD Scholarships for Community Leadership are awarded to students who have shown exceptional initiative in making a meaningful and lasting difference in their community. Minimum 75% average. Deadline: November 17. Check www.td.com/scholarships for further information.

Exciting Summer 2018 Opportunities for Grade 10 – 12 Students

Enrolment for **Cambridge Immerse 2018** is open to students at Toronto District Christian High School and is now open to students aged 15 and above.

- **Cambridge Immerse** is a unique two-week residential educational experience that allows participants to gain an unrivalled insight into a chosen discipline, ranging from the arts to the sciences. Subjects offered include Computer Science, Medicine, Law, Economics, History, Engineering, and many more. Academic sessions are designed and taught by highly regarded tutors from Oxford and Cambridge University in an optimal learning environment that stimulates academic enquiry. The carefully planned schedule ensures that the programme not only meets the academic needs of the participants, but also provides a unique insight into the university city through an abundance of activities. Students reside in one of the Cambridge Immerse Campus colleges: Queen's College, Christ's College, Sidney Sussex College, and St Catharine's College. All are prestigious and central colleges of Cambridge University. Within their historic walls, we pride ourselves on providing unique experiences of leadership and academic excellence through a programme for participants that instills the confidence and passion for learning that are essential to success in higher education. Apply at www.cambridgeimmerse.com. A PDF version of our prospectus is also available to view at <https://www.cambridgeimmerse.com/Prospectus2018>.

SHAD

SHAD is a lifelong experience and begins with our month-long summer program, which will show you what you can achieve if you think big and pursue your extraordinary potential. Each year, top-performing Grades 10, 11 and 12 students (Secondaire IV, V, or CEGEP 1 in Quebec) or the international equivalent, compete for a place in the month-long program, which is focused on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts & math) disciplines. Approximately 900 students are accepted annually to participate, and live in-residence on one of our host university campuses across Canada during the July program. The selection process is competitive, taking into consideration both academic results and extra-curricular participation. SHAD is looking for students who are well-rounded, emerging leaders who demonstrate initiative, creativity and entrepreneurial flair. They are leaders in their schools, volunteers in their communities, and are often gifted musicians, artists and athletes. The deadline is late November. Check <https://www.shad.ca> for more information.

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

Event Clean Up: We have two events in October. October 12th we have an Open House and Information Night and October 19th there is Learning Dialogues and New Members. If you are attending one of these events and want to stay after and help with clean up please inform Mr. Hoving at hoving@tdchristian.ca.

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 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

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.

TDChristian Parents Association: Are you looking to complete all your volunteer hours before the end of December? Are you interested in organizing a wonderful community event put on by our students. If so, the TD Parents Association is looking for 1 individual to join our Dinner Theatre Committee. The evening includes a dinner, play and silent auction. It's a great opportunity to support our students and raise funds to improve our kitchen. You would receive 25 volunteer hours for organizing and running the event on December 2nd. Please contact Nicole Bell at Nicolebell22@hotmail.com if you would like more information.

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@veritvcorp.com. The deadline for these items to be received is Wednesday, November 29. Thank you in advance for your participation.

TDChristian Rummage Sale

Mark Saturday, October 21 from 9 am - 1 pm on your calendars for the fabulous annual TDChristian Fall Rummage Sale! You will enjoy our usual attractions of hot and cold lunch items and beverages available to purchase, a wide selection of cheese and home baking, farm vegetables, seasonal items, our famous "gym full of treasures" and Senior TD music students performing. Bring your friends and family for a wonderful morning of indoor garage saling.

Doing a fall cleanup? Do you have too much clutter? Enjoy more space and feel good about supporting our beloved school. We welcome your donations of items to the rummage sale: gently used clothes and accessories, household and garden items, potted plants, sports equipment, books, tools, toys, small appliances and furniture, DVDs, CDs, decor, arts and crafts, unused gift items, jewellery, china and glassware, Halloween and Christmas items, stationery etc. Please do not include any large appliances or furniture items, computers or baby items such as cribs or car seats due to the complicated nature of safety standards. Donations may be dropped off at the school during the day, between now and the evening of Friday, October 20.

Athletics

- C. Hoving

All of our fall sports have kicked off York Region league play. Continue to keep an eye on Edsby for practice and game schedules or any other notes from coaches.

The Junior Boys Tier 2 Volleyball team remains winless in league play but are continuing to grow as a team as they adjust to high school volleyball. The boys have league play tonight at Tommy Douglas and a tournament Friday at Stouffville.

The Senior Boys Tier 1 Volleyball team began its league play with two games, going 1-1, and has another two games this week, tonight at home and Thursday at Maple.

The Senior Boys Tier 2 Volleyball is 4-2 in league play and sit near the top of the standings. The boys were on the road at Langstaff last night, and continue league play next week.

The Boys Soccer team sit at 0-2 to start league play with two more games this week, tonight at home and Friday at Maple.

The Girls Basketball begun league play with a 2-1 record and are on the road tonight at Alexander Mackenzie. OFSAA Boys Volleyball is two months away! TDChristian will be hosting the event at the school and at Humber College from November 22 to 25. November 22: Registration and Banquet, November 23, 24: Pool Play and Quarterfinals, and November 25: Championship Saturday

The Alumni Volleyball Tournament is Saturday, November 11th. Bring out a team of friends from your high school days for a fun day of volleyball. If you are interested in entering a team please e-mail hoving@tdchristian.ca.

From the Art Room

Congratulations to Faith Tarasuk, Emmaline Coghill, Megan Vroom, Bronwen Belbeck and Courtney McFarlane for coming away from the Woodbridge Fair with prize winnings by submitting their art!

The Art room is taking donations of plastics, preferably bubble wrap, large bags (recycled) and bottle tops.

Christian School Teachers Edifide Conference - October 26 & 27

On Thursday, October 26 and Friday, October 27, Christian School teachers from across Ontario will gather together for a day of learning, connecting and encouraging, via workshops, sharing and listening to professional speakers. 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.

Croquette Fundraiser

The croquettes have arrived at TDChristian! Contact Marg (marg@tdchristian.ca) or Rod Dengerink (rdengerink@tdchristian.ca) if you would like a case or two of pre-cooked, all beef croquettes. A case of 36 sells for only \$45!

As always, the team is in need of school and craft supplies, medical items (things like tylenol, bandaids, polysporin, gauze), playground toys, paint brushes, sports equipment, jerseys, baby and children's clothes to take along with them on their upcoming trips. 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, we will use them to transport the extra supplies.

TDChristian High School presents...

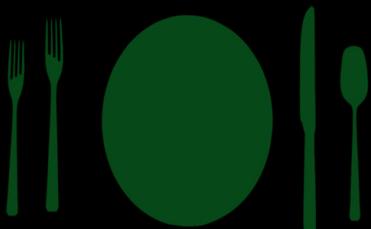


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Nov 30-Dec 2, 2017

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!



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Day 2: Berlin

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Take a walking tour of Berlin
With your tour director you will see:
- Unter den Linden
- Reichstag

Day 3: Berlin

Take a guided tour of Berlin
With your expert local guide you will see:
- Brandenburg Gate
- Kurfürstendamm
- Remains of the Berlin Wall
See Checkpoint Charlie
Visit the Topography of Terror Museum

Day 4: Berlin • Dresden • Prague

Travel via Dresden to Prague
Take a guided tour of Dresden
With your expert local guide you will see:
- Semper Opera House
- Zwinger Palace
- New Green Vault

Day 5: Prague

Take a guided tour of Prague
With your expert local guide you will see:
- St. Vitus Cathedral
- Golden Lane
- Charles Bridge
Take a walking tour of Prague

Day 6: Prague • Munich

Travel via Dachau to Munich
Visit Dachau

Day 7: Munich

Take a guided tour of Munich
With your expert local guide you will see:
- Olympic Stadium
- Residenz
- Marienplatz
Explore Munich on your own

Day 8: Munich • Liechtenstein • Lucerne

Travel via Liechtenstein to Lucerne
Visit Neuschwanstein Castle

Day 9: Lucerne

Take a tour of Lucerne
With your Tour Director you will see:
- Lion Monument
- Kapellbrücke
Enjoy a Swiss Folklore Evening

Day 10: Depart for home



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Euro2018 - Until Friday, October 13, the cost of the trip has been reduced by \$50!

The TDChristian Newmarket Chapter invites everyone to their...

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT & GAMES NIGHT



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2017

Join us at Bethel Community Church, 333 Davis Dr., Newmarket

Doors open at 6:30 pm Games begin at 7:30pm

Admission is only \$20 per person- get yours at the door

FREE BUFFET & BEVERAGES!