



# THE FRIDGE DOOR

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## Nota Bene

- W. Groot

At TDChristian, the day-to-day learning is the base on which we help students learn for service in the light of God's word. What happens in the school is foundational to how students learn, develop and practice skills such as creativity, collaboration, initiative, adaptability, information analysis, entrepreneurship, and effective oral and written communication. The substance of what they learn and its perspective and context are pivotal for our students. Outside experiences such as school trips provide opportunities for empowerment – putting into practice what one has learned or is learning, especially in service to God and others. All in all, 66 students and 13 staff members, along with 14 others are involved in these trips.

Our International Block 2017 team has been in the Dominican since Feb. 25. To find out about their learning, read the blog at [dominicaniblock.blogspot.ca](http://dominicaniblock.blogspot.ca). The verse the team chose is, "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" (Isaiah 6:8)

The March Break Belize trip team left this morning and will return, the Lord willing, on Saturday, March 18. They will work with Richard and Lucille Zul, our partners in San Ignacio.

The Canadian Battlefields Trip participants travel from March 10 to 19 and will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Vimy Ridge besides visiting other significant historical venues and places that help explain Canada's history.

Finally, our senior girls volleyball and our senior boys volleyball teams went to the Ontario Championships (OFSAA 'A') in Welland and Windsor. The joy of sportsmanship and high-level play, as well as good competition, stretches participants and allows them to show their talents and share their gifts with others. We especially thank parent-coaches, Diana Wiedemann (volleyball) and Key Gray (basketball), for their time, dedication, and expertise.

May you be blessed and rejuvenated on your March Break!

## Learning Dialogues

(Student-Parent/Guardian-Interviews) may be scheduled now for Thursday, March 30 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. or from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mrs. Sjaarda, Mr. Huyer and Mr. Peters will be available earlier but will be unable to attend the 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. session. Go to [www.schoolinterviews.ca](http://www.schoolinterviews.ca) and use the event code "gdq9m" to book times with your child's teachers. Students along with their parents/guardians are urged to attend.

Reminder: No school on Friday, March 10, or Monday, March 20

## Admissions

- M. Heinbuch

Do you know anyone who would benefit from being enfolded, engaged and empowered? Know anyone who is looking for solid, Christ-centred education for their children as they enter a pivotal stage of their lives? Tell them about TDChristian, where their children can learn for service in the light of God's word.

## Course Selections for 2017-18

Course Selections are now complete for all students who are returning to TDChristian next year. Any current Grade 12 students who are considering coming back for an extra semester, or two, should also complete and hand-in a course selection form. Half-price tuition is given to fifth-year students who volunteer as student assistants. The course selections will be used to create next year's timetable. The goal is to get next's course schedules out to students by the beginning of June.

## Busing and the Automated Call System

As mentioned in the last Fridge Door, soon TDChristian will be using an automated call system to deliver messages to families whenever there is a bus cancellation or major delay. Families should have been called to provide the numbers they would like utilized in the system. The goal is start using the system after March Break.

## Praise & Petition

- A. Vanderkooy/M. Laswick

Laura Matheuszik's family is thankful for the progress her father, Jeff, is making, as well as the prayer and support it is receiving from the community. Although the journey ahead is long, the healing continues.

We shared in the last Fridgedoor that Jeff Bouwers, father to Paige, Cameron and graduate, Lauren, was diagnosed with cancer. This week they were given the good news that the cancer has not spread beyond the initial site. The family asks for continued prayer as it considers treatment options.

During the March Break, please pray for safety and a meaningful time of "rest" from school for all, whether going far or staying near. The following groups will be out of the country:

- The International Block students along with Rachael Weening in the Dominican Republic;
- Eleven students accompanied by Marg Laswick, Tammy Dibbits and Evelyn and Rod Dengerink who left on a service trip to Belize today;
- Seventeen students and eleven adults, including Mr. Vanderkloet, Mrs. Knibbe, Mrs. Ootjers and Ms. Vanderkooy who are going to Europe on Friday for the Canadian Battlefields Tour.

## Music Notes

- K. Hayward

The 2017 edition of the Talent Show was a huge success. Thank you Ms. Bauer, Ms. Dibbits and the Business Leadership class for all of their hard work. The MCs and all of the participants deserve to be congratulated for their various contributions. The audience was treated to everything from rap to tap dancing. Other highlights included a magic act, a DJ, fantastic singing, and a multi-instrument performance of Ravel's Bolero.

The choir is looking forward to the following upcoming dates:

- April 28 – The City Youth Gospel Project at York University
- May 5 – The Ontario Christian High School Choral Festival in Hamilton

Only a limited number of choir students will be able to attend each event, so students are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible. More details will be forthcoming.

Band parents and transportation providers are reminded that there will be no concert band rehearsals on Tuesday, March 21 or Tuesday, April 18.

If you have any questions about music @ TDChristian, please send an e-mail message to Mr. Hayward at [hayward@tdchristian.ca](mailto:hayward@tdchristian.ca).

## February Board Notes

- Ruth Ann Schuringa

Project 20/20 is gaining momentum, and we are sensing the excitement! Rod Dengerink and William Groot (with occasional input from former principal, Ren Siebenga) are tweaking the project drawings to improve efficiency and flow, and to reduce costs. They continue to work diligently with Milena Belomorska of OCA Architects.

We invite and encourage you to offer prayer and financial support for Project 20/20. Come to the April Membership Meeting, Tuesday, April 25, 2017 for the Capital Campaign kick-off. We welcome your participation, suggestions, and questions.

As always, William's Principal report was thorough and informative. We are excited to read about the work being done by the Leadership Team (William, Matt Heinbuch, and Patty Schuurman) in the area of enrollment. Our hope is to get over 90 students in Grade 9 next year. If you know anyone with children in grades 5 through 8 who we can tell about TDChristian, please contact Matt Heinbuch. We also have room for students in Grades 10 to 12.

As the Board looks ahead, we begin the process of finding new board members. Several of us will be finishing up our time this spring so there is room for others to step forward. We are finishing an updated Board Handbook as well, which keeps us on task and aware of our responsibilities.

If you are considering getting involved at TDChristian, feel free to chat with William Groot or our board chair, Teresa Veenstra, so we can determine if your gifts and strengths line up with opportunities available at the school.

## Athletics

- C. Hoving

Junior Girls Tier 2 Volleyball team had a great day at its TDChristian Invitational, advancing to the semi-finals before losing in three sets to the eventual champion. The girls wrap up their season this week with league games and their final playoff tournament on Thursday.

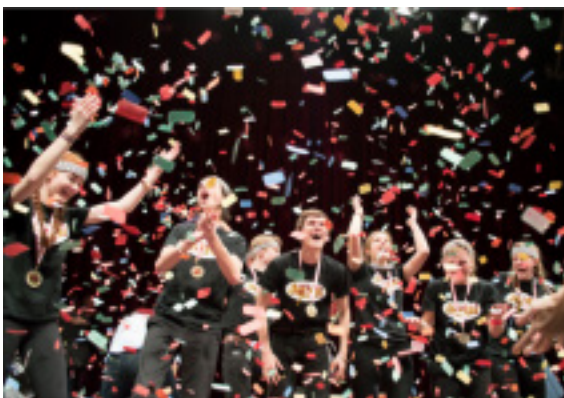
The Senior Girls Volleyball and Senior Boys Basketball teams both went to OFSAA this week. The girls went to Welland and the boys went to Windsor. Both teams experienced a great time of fellowship and good competition.

The Girls Soccer team kicked off its season with an indoor tournament at Redeemer University College. The girls had a fantastic day, advancing to the final and winning 1-0! Congratulations to the team on a great start to the year.

Badminton tryouts began last week for both Junior and Senior teams. Keep an eye on Edsby for more info as team members are announced and practices are scheduled.

## Improv!

- R. Peters



TDChristian is fielding two teams this year for the Canadian Improv games! Last year we won Gold in our Zone and placed 14th in Toronto. This year we are looking to do even better! Come out and cheer on our talented improv team March 30 and 31 at 7 p.m. at the Miles Nadal JCC, in downtown Toronto. Our two improv teams are travelling to Ottawa from April 19 to 22 to take part in the 40th Anniversary of the Canadian Improv Games - workshops, performances by the top 20 teams in Canada, and wall to wall fun!

The Improv Club starts this week during period 5 on Wednesdays. Play Theatresports with our senior improv Team members. Learn new skills ... and have a great time!

## Guidance

- A. Vanderkooy

**Grade 11 and 12 students:** Take advantage of campus tours of colleges and universities during the March Break. Check the websites for dates and times.

**Community College and University Applicants:** check specific university and community college emails, mail and websites for information on scholarship deadlines, personal information forms, auditions and mandatory information sessions. Missing a deadline may mean missing an opportunity to be accepted to the program of your choice.

### Scholarships

- For scholarship information, check [schoolfinder.com](http://schoolfinder.com) and [yconic](http://yconic.com)
- McMaster Engineering is offering the Hatch Entrance Scholarships valued at \$48 000 each to exceptional students entering McMaster's Engineering 1 Program. Available to visa and international students as well. Deadline: April 4, 2017 Check <http://www.eng.mcmaster.ca/future/schol.html>

**Grade 10 and 11 Students:** Interaction is a one-day conference at the University of Guelph for Grade 10 and 11 students who have a passion for learning and a desire to continue their education beyond high school. Guelph has planned an educational and interactive full-day program with over 40 workshops to choose from. When? April 26 and April 27. The registration fee is \$30 per student. Check [admission.uoguelph.ca/interaction](http://admission.uoguelph.ca/interaction) for details and register by Monday, April 10.

## 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. We suggest that students keep copies of the paperwork submitted for their own records just 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 Splash! Page (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.

## OSSLT

The Province-wide Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test will take place on Thursday, March 31. Most current grade 10 students as well as students who were deferred last year and those who need to re-write will spend the morning writing the test. A letter was sent home last week with details.

## 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 librarian, Mrs. Knibbe, at [knibbe@tdchristian.ca](mailto: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 return 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

A list of the names of students who have won awards throughout TDChristian's history is being compiled. Below find a list of valedictorians. We invite you to scan the list to help fill in any blanks and correct any mistakes.

|           |                   |           |                              |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| 1965-1966 | Ann Hoeijenbos    | 1991-1992 | Christina Romkema            |
| 1966-1967 |                   | 1992-1993 | Andrea Leferink, Kara Riepma |
| 1967-1968 |                   | 1993-1994 | Reuben Maan                  |
| 1968-1969 |                   | 1994-1995 | Jeremy Ages                  |
| 1969-1970 |                   | 1995-1996 | Amy Maas                     |
| 1970-1971 | Leonard Bos       | 1996-1997 | Ben Maas                     |
| 1971-1972 | Alice Steggarda   | 1997-1998 | Logan Grant                  |
| 1972-1973 | Joanne Ellens     | 1998-1999 | Amy Venema                   |
| 1973-1974 | Bernice Koning    | 1999-2000 | Brandon Weening              |
| 1974-1975 | Johanna Booy      | 2000-2001 | Jonathan Horlings            |
| 1975-1976 | Art Suk           | 2001-2002 | Stephanie VandenBerg         |
| 1976-1977 | Debbie Smith      | 2002-2003 | Josh Robinson                |
| 1977-1978 | Chris Ellens      | 2003-2004 | Julianne Konyndyk            |
| 1978-1979 |                   | 2004-2005 | Emily Weening                |
| 1979-1980 | Leo Hiemstra      | 2005-2006 | Dan Woudstra                 |
| 1980-1981 | Luke Seerveld     | 2006-2007 | Jonathan Feddema             |
| 1981-1982 |                   | 2007-2008 | James VanderVeen             |
| 1982-1983 | Yvonne Kranenburg | 2008-2009 | Matthew Sjaarda              |
| 1983-1984 | Teresa Hofstede   | 2009-2010 | Justin Olthof                |
| 1984-1985 | Glenn vanZeumeren | 2010-2011 | Nathan Henderson             |
| 1985-1986 | James Apers       | 2011-2012 | Aaron Sawczak                |
| 1986-1987 | Peter Schuurman   | 2012-2013 | David Pomposo                |
| 1987-1988 | Rick Schenk?      | 2013-2014 | Sabrina Yacoub               |
| 1988-1989 | Frank Romp        | 2014-2015 | Samantha Crincoli            |
| 1989-1990 | Geoffrey Gleason  | 2015-2016 | Emily Blydorp                |
| 1990-1991 | Michael Huizenga  | 2016-2017 |                              |

Also, if copies of any of the valedictory addresses still exist, we would be happy to add them to our archives. We are in the process of archiving all kinds of objects from TD's history, including cookbooks, commemorative spoons, mugs, pins and articles of clothing. If you have an item of historical significance to TDChristian and wonder if you should donate it, please feel free to get in touch with me by email: [knibbe@tdchristian.ca](mailto:knibbe@tdchristian.ca). Coming soon: lists for recipients of the Faculty Scholarships, Board Leadership Awards, and TDChristian Scholarship. Feel free to send any information you have regarding these awards.

## Job Opportunity for Students

Hollander Landscaping Ltd., Toronto ([www.hollanderlandscaping.com](http://www.hollanderlandscaping.com)) is looking for Landscape Construction Crew Members who work well with others, take pride in their work, and can deliver a high standard of workmanship.

Requirements: at least 17 years of age, can lift 50 lbs and more consistently, have a positive problem solving attitude, can be at work by 6:30 a.m. daily at 343 Munster Ave in Toronto (Note: carpooling to site is available from Schomberg and Newmarket areas). The candidate must be prepared to work in all weather conditions to sod, plant, do soft scaping and stone work.

Work Week is Monday to Friday (45-55 hours per week), and every other Saturday, from the end of June through to Labour Day. Wages are \$16-\$18 per hour depending on experience.

For more information contact [info@hollanderlandscaping.com](mailto:info@hollanderlandscaping.com). To apply send resume to the same address.



## A Big Thank You!

- From the March Break Belize Team

It is a beautiful thing when you ask a community for donations and they come through in such a big way. The Belize team left Toronto Pearson Airport this morning with 15 extra suitcases (many which were donated by customers of Henry's Fish & Chips) full of school supplies, craft supplies, playground toys, jerseys, soccer balls, cleats, and shoe, paint brushes, clothes, laptops, drills, speed squares, batteries, screws, skill saw blades, carpenter pencils, duct and electrical tape and gifts of coffee for our hosts and teachers and hand-knitted bears for the students! Thank you for your generous giving to our Belizean brothers and sisters.

## Matt Vanderhelm, 2006 TDChristian Grad, on MasterChef Canada!



Be sure to follow one of TDChristian's alumni as he competes with the Top 12 finalists on Season 4 of MasterChef Canada. Last week, Matt prepared two dishes to advance from the original group of 24. For a video clip and details of the show, check [masterchefcanada.ctv.ca/season-4-top-12/matt-vanderhelm](http://masterchefcanada.ctv.ca/season-4-top-12/matt-vanderhelm).

After graduating from TDChristian, Matt completed a business degree at Wilfrid Laurier University and was a Category Manager, in addition to travelling the world as he further developed his culinary skills and love for the kitchen. Matt has started his own business: VanderKitchen. He shares that, "VanderKitchen is all about bringing people together to enjoy home cooked food with bold flavours, fresh from the kitchen". Check out his website at [vanderkitchen.com](http://vanderkitchen.com) and follow him on Instagram @VanderKitchen.



## Eurotrip 2018!

Join us for 10 days during March Break 2018, as we explore Berlin, Munich, Prague, Austria, and Switzerland! Students currently in grade 9, 10 or 11 are invited to come to experience culture, visit a castle, try new foods, and climb in the Alps! Parents and guardians are also welcome. Find out about the trip by clicking the link on our Splash! Page or by contacting tour leader, Meg Cate, at [cate@tdchristian.ca](mailto:cate@tdchristian.ca).

STUDENTS, PARENTS, ALUMNI, AND STAFF:

# Help us Honour



# Ms. Vanderkooy!

Ms. Alice Vanderkooy is **retiring** this year and we're making a tribute video to honour her! We want YOU to be a part of it.

Some stats:

Student at TDChristian: 1966-1970

Teacher for: 40 years

Teacher at TDChristian for: 30 years

Guidance Counselor for: 20+ years

Has taught:

French

Bible

History

Careers

Math (really!)

Typing

## STEPS:

1. Record a video message, by yourself or with friends, from 5-20 seconds long. Using your phone is fine, but keep the background noise quiet and set to HD if possible.
2. Send in your video by March 10 to this shared Google Drive account:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0ByVVd-kHQjS0UnpzX3RxcFVRNU0?usp=sharing>
3. Any problems? Need the link by email? Send a message to Tim Buwalda at [buwalda@tdchristian.ca](mailto:buwalda@tdchristian.ca).

## SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR VIDEO:

- Thank her for her years of service.
- Thank her for her work as a teacher/guidance counselor.
- Tell us about how she personally connected with you.
- Tell her that you will miss her.
- Tell her about something you admire about her.
- Share a bible verse or an appropriate quote.
- Wish her a happy retirement.
- Share a touching, funny, or personal story.
- Give her suggestions for what to do in retirement.
- Just say goodbye!
- Sing a short song, or do anything else you can think of.



**See the finished video and join us to honour Ms. Vanderkooy at the Membership Meeting, Tuesday, April 25 @ 7:30 pm!**



## March Break Day Trip @ the Raptors905

Monday, March 13th

10:00 a.m. – depart from TDCH

10:45 a.m. – arrive in Toronto

11:00 a.m. – Gates open, walk through Air Canada Centre

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Raptors 905 Game @ ACC

3:45 p.m. – arrive at Dave and Buster's

7:00 p.m. – pick up from TDCH



**Cost - \$40 (includes ticket to the game and transportation)**

**Students are on their own for food at the game and Dave and Buster's**

To confirm your spot or if you have any questions please speak with  
Mr. Hoving ([hoving@tdchristian](mailto:hoving@tdchristian)) or Ms. Cate ([cate@tdchristian.ca](mailto:cate@tdchristian.ca))





# March Break Day Trip @ Niagara Falls

Thursday, March 16th

9:30 a.m. – depart from TDCH

11:00 a.m. – arrive in Niagara Falls

11:00 – 3:00 p.m. – time to see the falls, lunch, other sights

3:00 p.m. – head back to TDCH

4:30 p.m. – arrive back at TDCH



**Cost - \$40 (covers transportation)**

**Students should bring money for food and any spending money**

To confirm your spot or if you have any questions please speak with Mr. Hoving (hoving@tdchristian) or Ms. Cate (cate@tdchristian.ca)



# SAVE THE DATE!

# MAY 29, 2017

# KCS GOLF MARATHON

## Celebrating the 21<sup>st</sup> 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 [ldmartens5@gmail.com](mailto:ldmartens5@gmail.com)

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