

THE FRIDGE DOOR

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Nota Bene - W. Groot

The Spring Open House and Notice Book Launch is tomorrow from 6 to 8 p.m. Celebrate great student work as we approach the end of the school year. Many projects will be on display, we will share some of the book's contents, for tomorrow evening only, books can be purchased at a reduced rate. To see the 146 students who are in Notice 2019, see the previous edition of The Fridge Door.

As we head into the homestretch, we encourage you to keep in mind and in your prayers:

- students as they balance school, work, home, and/or extracurricular activities.
- the French & History class as it welcomes its counterpart from northern Quebec.
- the Spring Concert to be held on Thursday, May 24 beginning at 7 p.m.
- the Student-Run Prom on Friday, May 25.

The Prom is usually exceptionally well-run and an enjoyable occasion; however, I urge parents and guardians to be aware of where their children spend the time after the prom as the get-togethers can range from well-supervised to non-supervised. As a parent of four high school graduates, I know that now is an important time to connect with your children about their plans and to know where they are going and what they are planning. Every year, as principal, I hear wonderful stories as well as unpleasant and disappointing ones. We need to be proactive in helping our students make wise and Godly choices. It is important that we communicate with each other and our children throughout this time.

2018 Class Valedictorian

Congratulations to Francesca Rotondo who has been selected by her peers as the Valedictorian of the Class of 2018! As Valedictorian, Francesca is the recipient of the Frank Romp award, demonstrating Christian maturity and character as well as making positive contributions in the school's curricular and extra-curricular activities. With the respect of her classmates, Francesca will be representing the graduating class in an address at the ceremony on Wednesday, June 27.

From the Finance Office

The tuition forms for the 2018-19 school year will be mailed by the end of the week. They are due back at school by Thursday, May 31. Please use the form to provide any changes or corrections to phone numbers and email addresses. Thank you.

Praise & Petition

- E. Dengerink/M. Laswick

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

Dress Code - P. Schuurman/M. Heinbuch

As the weather warms up and new spring and summer fashions arrive in stores, we ask that students, parents and guardians work with us to ensure students dress for school in clothing that works within the parameters of our school's dress code policy (many of the current fashion trends do not fit within our dress code policy). Wearing clothes appropriate for learning is the key. We appreciate you working with us on this important item!

Vaughan Film Festival

- T. Buwalda

Last year, students from TDChristian High School won the Best Student Film at the Vaughan Film Festival. We also won the Best Student Film in 2016. We invite you to join us as we cheer on TDChristian students Quinn Kavaner, Aaron McMillan, Luke van Lenthe, and James Paton and their film "Disconnected", which has been shortlisted for this year's top prize. The student screening features 15 student films from across Ontario, and begins at 6:30 pm on Monday, May 14 at Cineplex Colossus in Vaughan. Tickets can be purchased online at www. vaughanfilmfestival.com.

Music Notes - K. Hayward

On May 4, members of the choir enjoyed the day in Grimsby while attending the Ontario Christian High School Choral Festival. Those who attended had the opportunity to make new friends and greet old acquaintances and friends all while also singing praises to God with 300 other students from Christian High Schools. The sound of 300 plus voices was inspiring. Congratulations to our own Taeho Ku in grade 10 who performed as a soloist backed by the large choir.

Concert Band transportation providers need to be aware that WE WILL HAVE a rehearsal on the Tuesday following Victoria Day – May 21st. Due to the fact that this will be our last opportunity to have a full rehearsal before the concert that week.

Our annual Spring concert will occur on May 24th. The concert will feature the music of J.S. Bach, Adele, Kenneth J Alford, Cold Play, Les Miserable and the video game Civilization IV.

The Concert band will be performing at Canada's Wonderland at 1:30 on May 30th. The students will be back at school in time for the buses at the end of the day. If you are a seasons pass holder come along and hear the band.

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

French/History Block Student Cultural Exchange

The grade 10 French/History Block students will be welcoming their "twins" from Alma, Quebec on Friday, May 11. This group will be spending a week together touring different historical sites in the GTA, as well as appreciating different cultural activities.

Athletics - C. Hoving

Our Badminton teams wrapped up their season with OCSSAA hosted by Smithville Christian. A noteable finish was Jacob Schuurman who finished 3rd in Senior Boys Singles. Thank you to all the athletes for a great season and to Mrs. Dengerink, Mrs. Schuurman, and Mr. Godber for coaching.

Junior Ultimate kicked off league play last week winning their first two league games. They continue to practice this week with a week off from league games. They return to league games with two at home on Tuesday and a tournament next Friday in Aurora.

The Senior team advanced to the final of its tournament at Birchmount, eventually losing by one point. It also began league play, winning both of its games. The team is on the road Thursday at Richmond Hill HS.

Girls Soccer started off with two wins in league play. They hope the momentum continues as they head to OCSSAA this weekend hosted by Hamilton District Christian HS this weekend.

Boys Soccer wraps up their final week of practice and preparation as they head into OCSSAA, (hosted by King's Christian Collegiate).

Track and Field enjoyed a good day at OCSSAA hosted by Brampton Christian on Monday. Notable results were Eliza Mathai (1st in MG Long Jump, 3rd in MG Triple Jump), Ben Reid (2nd in MB Triple Jump), Fiyin Osundina (2nd in MB 100m), Nathan Bellsmith (2nd in JB 1500m and 2nd in JB 3000m), Matt Groot (3rd in JB 1500m and 3rd in JB 3000m), Adrian Straatsma (1st in JB Triple Jump), Tamilore Olufemi (3rd in SB 200m), Eric VanZeumermen (1st in SB High Jump), Fiyin Osundina, Tamilore Olufemi, Matt Reid, and Caleb Mathai (1st in SB 4 x 100m Relay).

TDChristian Spring Clothing

The website is now live and TDChristian clothing is available for purchase. The link is www.tdchsestore.com and samples will be available at lunch to view sizing.

Guidance - E. Dengerink

Post-secondary

Graduation!! 40 Community Service Hours: Grade 12 students and parents are reminded that this is one of the mandatory requirements for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. If you still do not have those hours completed, you need to be looking for ways to help in your churches and communities. Signed documentation needs to be handed in to Marg in the office. Forms are available on our Splashpage.

Grade 12 students: The next round of offers from Universities will be taking place throughout May. Check for your offers on OUAC and the University portals regularly. June 1st is the deadline for accepting a university offer. If you plan to live in residence make sure you apply and pay the registration fee on time! 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 transitions to university. To register online, go to https://sas.mcmaster.ca/transition/ 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.

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. P2c.sh/findmycampus. You can 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 2. Connect with God's mission on campus, God's community on campus and God's work in you. Check www.transition101.ca for details.

Summer Thoughts

• SUMMER SCHOOL Registration is available now in all 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: https://www.ontario.ca/page/summer-jobs-students or www.ontario.ca/ careers
- 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.
- Encounters with Canada is a national youth program for teens 14 to 17 years old, offering week-long career-themed leadership experiences in Ottawa. Meet other students from across Canada who share similar interests. Learn about careers from professionals, meet politicians, ambassadors, athletes, and business people and explore our capital city. For more information check: www.encounter-rencontres.ca
- Have any plans for July 27 August 1? If not, why don't you consider attending U of T for six days. Learn what
 university will be like, make new friends, and be part of a course in either Business and entrepreneurship, creative
 arts, engineering and technology, law, society and international relations, medical sciences and psychology. This
 program is FREE for all local students. See Mrs. Dengerink for more information on how to apply.

International Advisory Group Vietnamese Dinner

The International Advisory Group is hosting a Vietnamese dinner for staff and students on Tuesday, May 15 at TD starting at 5 pm. Be bold and try food from a different culture than your own. Tickets are only 15.00! Tickets are on sale during lunch for the remainder of this week.

Focus Day Trips Thursday, May 17

Mr. Freeman's Grade 10 Environmental Block class will be visiting the Toronto Zoo. We will leave school at 9 am and return to school for the afternoon busses. Students can bring their own lunch or buy lunch at the zoo. We will be outside for over 3 hours, regardless of weather.

Ms. Helder's Grade 10 English and Ms. Bauer's English as a Second Language classes will be heading to Toronto for Team Scavenger Hunts. Busses will leave TD at 9:00 am and return in time to go home. Students can bring a lunch or purchase one.

Volunteer Opportunity:

If you are a parent of a student in either Ms. Helder or Ms. Bauer's class, we would love to have 4 chaperones join us to help out with the Scavenger Hunt. Please email Ms. Bauer (bauer@tdchristian.ca) if you can come.

Mrs. Tenyenhuis' Grade 10, 11 and 12 Art class will be going to the Textile Museum in Toronto. Bring a good lunch (as we will not be buying food), and a sketchbook.

Mr. Kim's Grade 12 Biology class will be visiting the Science Centre. We will leave school at 9 am and be back at school by 2:45 pm. Students can bring their own lunch or buy lunch from the cafeteria.

Relay for Life: June 8, 2018, 2:30 pm to 9 pm

Get ready for another eventful day. TDChristian will host Relay for Life on Friday June 8! This fundraiser for cancer is being planned by our students, for our students. Teams will walk around the track we construct on our parking lot for approximately 6 hours.

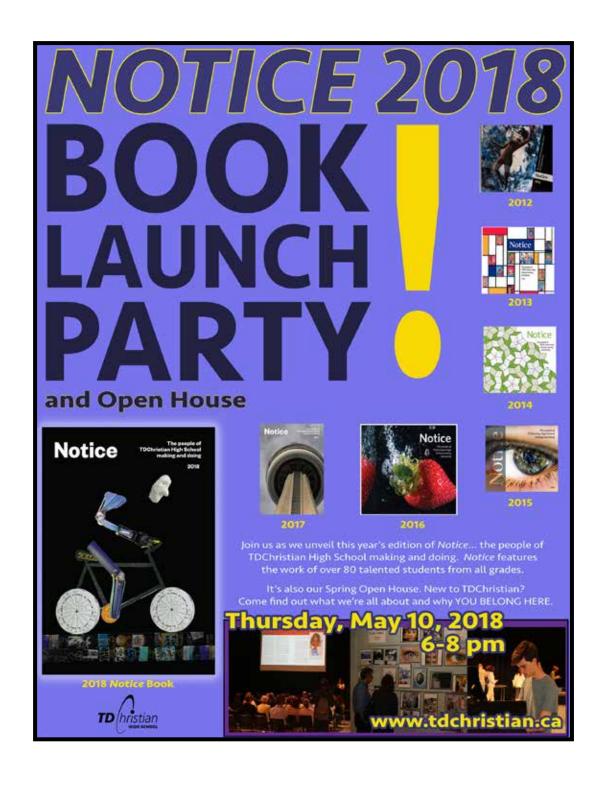
Students are encouraged to register online at relayforlife.ca/TDCHS. The registration fee is \$20.00 and students must raise or contribute a minimum of \$20.00. We look forward to an amazing day during which we hope to surpass the more than \$25,000 raised in 2017. For more information about joining in on the fun, donating, and/or helping as a volunteer, contact Patty Schuurman at schuurman@tdchristian.ca.

@TD Newsletters

We always love to hear from TD Alumni. If you have any news to share with us (a recent marriage, the birth of a child, or a significant accomplishment), please send a note to info@tdchristian with your name, your spouses' name, child's name and date of birth, the year you graduated and any other specific details. We'll make sure your information gets included in an upcoming issue.

Canadian Battlefields 2019

Why join the 2019 Canadian Battlefields Tour? Recently, all Grade 10 students spent an afternoon listening to Mr. Max Eisen, a survivor of the horrors of the Holocaust at the notorious Auschwitz concentration camp during Second World War. He shared his experience of the evil Nazi attempt to create a racially pure Europe through the genocide and subjugation of people considered inferior to the Aryan race. It was to stem the practice of such toxic beliefs in Europe that Canadian soldiers volunteered to fight and die in that war. In an earlier world war even more Canadians volunteered to stop the German aggression of that era. The sacrifice of over 100,000 Canadians for such a cause must be grafted into our collective memory by whatever means we have available to teach and remind ourselves of our duty to love all human beings. One of the most effective means to do this is to visit the battlefields, monuments, and cemeteries of northern Europe where so many of them fought and died. An excellent opportunity to do this presents itself to our school community through the 2019 Canadian Battlefields Tour to be held during March Break next year. The trip is open to all TD students and their families. Parents and grandparents of our students are welcome to sign up. Please contact Richard Vanderkloet (vanderkloet@ tdchristian.ca)or David Robinson (robinson@tdchristian.ca) or via an Edsby message if you would like to participate.





SAVE THE DATE! MAY 28, 2018 KCS GOLF MARATHON

Celebrating the 22nd Annual Golf Marathon

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 21 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 28, 2018 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:

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