

School Matters

June 6, 2024

Keeping you connected with what is happening at the school.

Mission: The mission of King Christian School is to equip students to positively impact society through a Christ-centred education in a supportive and dedicated community. **Vision:** As a vibrant, connected partner in our community, KCS integrates 21st century learning skills, resources and strategies to engage students in a Christ-centred education.

School News and Business

Principal's Message



B. Noble, Principal

As the school year draws to a close, I reflect on the many wonderful experiences that we have enjoyed. Recently, the school yard was filled with students moving from event to event for our annual Field Day. I was struck by the positive encouragement offered to all for their running, throwing and jumping. It was a great example of community and sportsmanship.

Our Celebration of Learning in May was a great way to experience the active learning that has been happening in the classrooms. Students were thrilled to show parents and grandparents their projects and explain the work on the walls. The bands did a great job showcasing the arts and the worship dance team drew our attention to God, the audience of one, for our worship.

June is a month of milestones for a school. We will soon celebrate with our grade 8 graduates as they leave elementary school and move on to secondary school. It will be a time of remembering and of gratitude. Our senior kindergarten students will also graduate while proud parents capture the moment. These moments will be kept for a lifetime.

I would like to thank our Heavenly Father for the direction, protection and favour He has bestowed upon King Christian School. It is all for His glory.

May you and your family enjoy a wonderful and safe summer!

Calendar

Fri. June 14

Chapel-8:45 am

Mon. June 17 - Wed. June 19

Grade 8 Graduation trip

Thurs. June 20

Graduation Ceremony-7 pm

Fri. June 21

Chapel and SK graduation-8:45 am

Wed. August 28

Back to School Social – 6 pm

Tues. September 3

First Day of School

Grade 8 Graduation is just around the corner. We welcome the KCS community to celebrate with our graduates on Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 PM.

This year the theme for graduation is "To Know Him and Make Him Known." Our treasured hope is that our KCS graduates will never stop seeking a closer walk with Jesus so that every aspect of their lives is directed by God.



This year there are 12 graduates in the grade 8 class. Congratulations to Isys, Juliette, Samuel, Connor, Rebecca, Macy, Jonathan, Brenton, Cayden, Kyle, Reyer, and Victoria!



IT IS TIME TO PLACE YOUR T.R.I.P SUMMER ORDERS!

Hello TRIP Supporters,

This is a reminder to sit down and figure out what gift cards you can use this summer. Next week is the last week that you can place an order. We truly appreciate all your support!

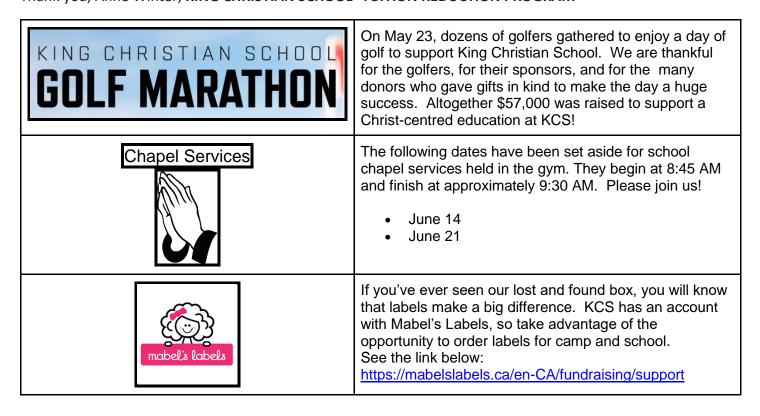
Please email your orders to <u>trip@kingchristian.ca</u>, either by attaching the completed order form *OR* emailing a list of what you require, listing which denominations and the quantities of each.

For example: Superstore \$100 x 10 Tim Hortons \$50 x 2 Sobeys \$250 x 5 etc.

Summer orders are due by Wednesday, June12, 10:00am, but please email the order as soon as you can, any day of the week. Orders received by a Wednesday at 10:00am will be filled on the following Wednesday, with our last order being placed to our supplier on June 14th and filled on the 21st. Make sure you have enough coupons to last until the T.R.I.P program school starts on September 6th.

If you are able, please prepay your summer order in full, by cheque, e-transfer or cash. Alternatively, you may write post dated cheques - dated throughout the summer. If you prefer to pay by e-transfer, send a listing of when you intend to make the transfers and on which dates. In all cases please make your final payment no later than **August 31**st.

Thank you, Anne Winter, KING CHRISTIAN SCHOOL -TUITION REDUCTION PROGRAM





Written by: Kerry Bruce, SU Sports



Active Faith for the King's Daughters' is a group for Grade 4 and 5 girls. This group has been running for six weeks with one more week left! The purpose of the group is to grow the girls' faith practically in relevant areas of their lives. We have focused on caring for our body and mind, spending personal time with God, and the importance of relationships with our family, friends, and God. Every week, we read Scripture together before unpacking it through discussion questions and physical and practical activities to enhance the topic we are focussing on that day. The girls have enjoyed this group and have engaged well with each topic! *K. *Bruce**



Worship Dance at KCS

Our worship dance team, under the direction of Mrs. Semeniuk, has blessed the school with music and motion that brings honour and glory to God. At our chapels, we have been drawn into the presence of God through the songs and actions. Here's how some of the students responded when asked how they feel when they worship:

"I feel God's presence and joy near me." Jacy, gr. 4 "I feel calm and relaxed and free." Danielle, gr. 4 "I smile, rejoice, and move around a lot!" Evie, gr. 3 "I am filled with the Holy Spirit." Alfred, gr. 2 "I feel like nothing else matters." Bria, gr. 4

Diary of Anne Frank



On May 24th the grade 6 class at KCS travelled to Toronto District Christian H.S. to enjoy a play put on by the high school students.

Hannah M., a grade 6 students shares her reflections after seeing the play: "Even though Anne Frank went through a very hard time she didn't stop being happy and trying to make others happy. She was brave. It's important to learn about these stories because it's history and people need to know about it so that we know what was happening and what the Nazis did. I really enjoyed it. I'd give it 10 out of 10!"

Many thanks to the students at TDCH who worked tirelessly to share a very professional production with elementary students!



Phone: (905) 551-6600 118 Holland St. E. Bradford, Ontario KCS continues to benefit from the re-Source Thrift Store in Bradford. What a blessing to receive financial support and resources from this thriving organization! Thank you to all of the workers and volunteers who keep the store running smoothly. Please remember to donate clothing, books and household items to the re-Source Thrift store when you are doing your spring cleaning! Donation Hours:

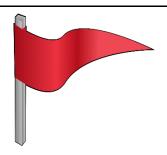
Mon: 10am to 2pmTue: 10am to 2pmFri: 10am to 8pm

Senior Drama Club



Pilgrim's Progress Revisited

Our grades 6, 7 & 8 Drama club has been working tirelessly to prepare a theatrical piece entitled, "Pilgrim's Progress Revisited." Originally written by John Bunyan in 1678, this is an allegorical tale about a Christian's journey here on earth, to the final destination - the Celestial City! This story has been told in numerous ways over the years and now our Senior Drama Club will be performing Pilgrims Progress Revisited, which has been adapted from a Focus on the Family, Adventures in Odyssey audio preproduction. Our Senior drama club students have worked hard and performed this beautiful story on Thursday, June 6th. The main character, played by Caleb S., a grade 6 student, commented, "It has been meaningful to learn that nothing can stand in the way of getting to God."



Track and Field Day at KCS

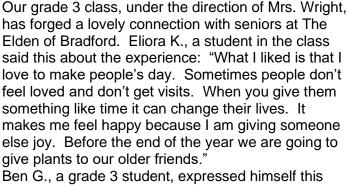
On May 22 the gr. 1 - 8 students at KCS participated in a day of track and field events. Some of our students broke previously held records. Congratulations to all participants. Special recognition goes out to the following record breakers:

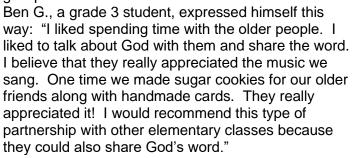
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- -Owen D. for setting a new record in the 100 m race for Grade 5 boys: 14.85 sec
- -Joel S. for breaking the record in the 100 m race for Grade 7 boys: 13.78 sec
- -Chase H. for setting a new record in the 100 m dash for Grade 7 boys: 13.25 sec

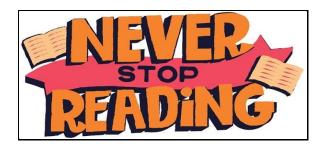


Intergenerational Partnership - Gr. 3









KCS is grateful for the wonderful reading volunteers who have helped so many students make progress in Reading!



Reflections of a Reading Volunteer at KCS Last September, I contacted Mrs. Noble about the possibility of volunteering at the school. Since administrative work is my go to, I was awaiting a positive reply for "lots to do in that area." I was quite surprised when Mrs. Noble readily accepted my offer but little did I know that she was going to challenge me to try something different and somewhat unfamiliar to me. That's how you grow. right? I am so thankful she did. Would I be part of a volunteer team that would meet weekly with students for the Reading Enrichment Program, a well-developed program that enables students to improve and advance their reading skills? Our little team of volunteers spends a few minutes each week listening to the children read. The program focuses more on continuity and consistency rather than quantity. Initially we began with 24 students and have grown

Initially we began with 24 students and have grown to 29. The child arrives in our little classroom, we chit chat about this and that which opens the door of sharing and caring and to being comfortable with us. It is always a safe place.

Some children ask for the opportunity to read a second page, mostly on the premise that they get 2 stickers (3). I enjoy learning about the students even by the stickers they select – opens the door into their interests. Some place them neatly in rows, others pick only the sports or superheroes, some select just the animals, and others just want a chaos page which could include cats wearing helmets on motorcycles. The more unusual, the better. I encourage them to explain their choice to me which helps them articulate their thoughts about their interests. The best story was when one child came in and excitedly shared about his athletic successes that week. He got an extra sticker. I feel a sense of accomplishment about this program when the teachers note that they see an improvement and when the child has gained more confidence to attempt, often without assistance, the sounding out of the more challenging words. The best part is the giggles and laughter when the child understands the humour in the stories. That suggests they are reading the story not just the words.

Reading is so very necessary in all aspects of life so if our little team can advance and enhance their reading skills, then we have done our "job". "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go." Dr. Seuss

Mrs. Diane Hoving