



2022-2023
THEME:

Who am I?
I AM A CHILD OF GOD.

This year our school theme was “Who Am I? I am a child of God.” Throughout the year we looked at ten different ways that we live out our calling as God’s children in His world. We studied how to be community builders, God worshippers, justice seekers, servant workers, beauty creators, creation enjoyers, order discoverers, earth keepers, idolatry discerners, and image reflectors.

These Biblical themes describe how we were challenged to serve and learn. They describe, exactly and profoundly, what we should “be” as a result of our Christian school education. We aren’t God-Worshippers only in church, any more than we are Creation-Enjoyers only when awed by a beautiful sunrise. Biblical truth clearly states that the world, in every way possible, belongs to God.

God is always present in everything. We should focus on unwrapping or revealing the joined nature of the faith and learning relationship. God’s Word clearly describes this connection in **Colossians 1:16-17**; *For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

God created all things. And even after the Fall, which did affect and infect all things, creation remains good. Christ’s redemption impacts all things,



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

redirecting them to the purposes God intended. And someday, all things will be fully restored, because God will not let sin have the last word! This work of restoration, of transformation and renewal, was the work of every student at King.

It was very exciting this year to see how each student mirrored God's image as they worked out how to be community builders, God worshippers, justice seekers, servant workers, beauty creators, creation enjoyers, order discoverers, earth keepers, and idolatry discerners.

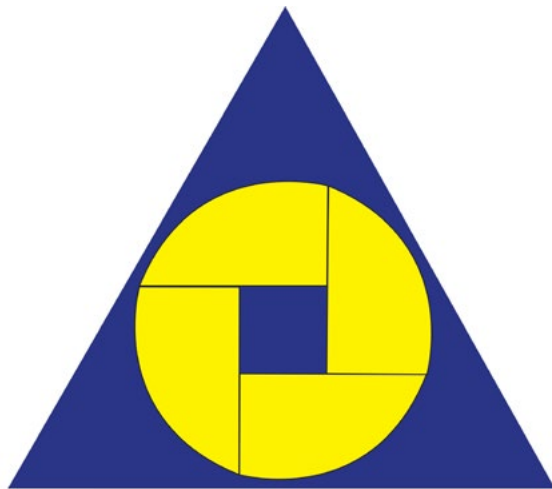
We began the school year with an emphasis on community building and we want to end the year with this same theme. As I pass the torch of leadership on to Bonnie Noble, I am profoundly thankful for the opportunity

to serve the King community for this school year. I have been blessed by being a part of God's Kingdom work in this place and will hold you close in prayer as the King community continues to serve God through Christ centered education.



Blessings,

Donna Veenstra
Interim Principal



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INTRODUCING THE NEW PRINCIPAL

BONNIE NOBLE



Over the past year we have been engaged in the search for our new principal. The search focused on finding an individual who is a committed follower of Christ, an experienced leader, a passionate educator and an

effective communicator. After a search that included candidates from across the country and the world, we are excited to announce that Bonnie Noble will be joining KCS as Principal beginning in the 2023/2024 school year!

Bonnie is a passionate Believer, administrator and educator with significant experience in leadership, instruction, and special education. Bonnie joins us from the Durham District School Board (DDSB) where she has nearly 30 years of experience. Through her time with DDSB, Bonnie has held various roles including teacher, vice principal and, for the past 12 years, principal. Bonnie is excited to bring her experience and passion for education to a Christian school and is "honoured to have been invited to join you in this kingdom work, and looks forward to becoming part of the KCS family".

In her current Principal role, Bonnie is responsible for supervising a triple-track school (French Immersion, regular track and gifted classes) as well as 2 special education classes, a staff of 50, and a student population of 620. Bonnie holds a Masters of Education from the University of Toronto and a Bachelor of Education from York University as well as additional qualifications including Applied Behavioural Analysis -Geneva Centre for Autism Training, Special Education,

Principal's Qualification Program and French as a Second Language.

Bonnie, and her husband Russ, have 8 children (4 adults, 2 teens and 2 younger children) and they reside in Uxbridge. Two of their children will be joining us in September. Bonnie is actively involved in her church community and has also been engaged with non-profit organizations including founder of Precious Minds Support Services as well as a leader for Teacher Mentors Abroad.

Please join me in welcoming Bonnie to the KCS community!

Special thanks to the Principal Search Committee (Yvonne Koorring, Lori Wright, Daniel Olthof, Frances Wilson, and Donna McKinnon) for their wisdom, time and effort through their diligent and rigorous search.

I would also like to thank Donna Veenstra for her leadership throughout this year. Donna's passion for education, her heart for the kids, and her wise guidance has again left an impression on the KCS community.

In Christ,

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JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN



This JK students have been busy learning about and exploring the world around them. We made signs to help us cheer and show support to our older brothers and sisters during Track and Field. In June we went on a field trip to Tree Walk Village which allowed us to have fun while spending time in nature. Both activities got the children outdoors enjoying God's creation while engaging in life long learning experiences.



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SENIOR KINDERGARTEN



This spring, SK students were Creation Enjoymers. The students experienced the wonder of metamorphosis in Painted Lady butterflies as well as the hatching of chicken eggs. Learning about life cycles was especially exciting with live creatures growing in the classroom.

GRADE 1



The Grade 1's had a fantastic trip at the Kortright Center. They walked through the woods and learned about forest animals and plants that grow in the ground. In the afternoon they touched different animal furs and learned about insects. What a fun, wet day!



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GRADE 2/3

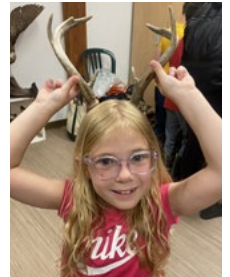


The grade 2/3 class experimented with the growth of plants by planting some seed in regular garden soil, and some mixed with our fertilizer that we helped make with the composting worms in our classroom. The seeds in the fertilizer, sprouted first and grew much higher than the ones growing with out the fertilizer. God is so incredible, creating worms that can eat organic scraps and turn them into nutrient rich fertilizer.

GRADE 2



Grade 2 learned about growth and change in animals this spring. Each student completed a research project on the animal of their choice and produced a beautiful work of art to accompany their project. Our class trip to the Kortright Centre allowed students to play animal games, learn about animal life cycles, and investigate animal furs, bones, taxidermy mounts, and insects to learn more about them and how uniquely God created each one.





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GRADE 3/4



This year our class enjoyed a variety of events. The first, being participants in Orange Shirt Day, remembering the injustices the indigenous people endured. At Thanksgiving, they organized the school food drive to help those in need in our community. For the Christmas season the students took tags from our giving tree to work with their families to help others who needed encouragement or items to make their season a bit brighter.



The Grade 3 were very excited to receive their own Bibles and used them often to worship and learn more about God's word along with the Grade 4s.

The last two pictures feature the resurrection buns we made at Easter and an egg beater the Grade 4 students made when they discovered gears.



Thrift Shop | Bradford

The Resource Thrift store is located five minutes from KCS at **118 Holland Street East, Bradford**. The store is run by volunteers and the money raised goes directly to support KCS.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP:



VOLUNTEER

More volunteers are needed! Get started by filling out a volunteer form at the re-Source Thrift Shop.



DONATE

Clothing, toys, books, housewares, small appliances, DVDs, CDs, VHS records, cassette tapes, electronics, jewelry, pet supplies, hardware, etc. Call if you're unsure!



FIXTURES

Sometimes the shop needs new fixtures like a bike rack, bookshelves, or better organization ideas. If you like to build things, please ask a board member how you can help!



SHOP

Show support by shopping at the thrift store! There are amazing items coming in every week – Perfect for kids clothes, toys and sports wear.



TALK TO FRIENDS

Tell your family/friends and your church about volunteering and supporting KCS in this way.



ASK YOUR CHURCH

Will your church let the thrift shop post in their bulletin or online? Spread the word about what the re-Source is about!



PRAY

Keep the store, the school and volunteers in your prayers. Pray that extra help and volunteers can be found to continue the operation of the shop for many years to come.

GRADE 4



We had the opportunity to set up our class for the Celebration of Learning and work on our periscopes for our science light and sound unit. We also were able to get a rock expert come in to help us learn about metamorphic, igneous and sedimentary rocks based on our rocks and minerals science unit.

Our Grade 4 students were able to experience an exciting day at Legoland as part of our field trip. We joined the science and language workshop where we were able to learn about pulleys and gears while making a story set using Lego. Students enjoyed taking part in different rides, activities and also 4-D movies.



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GRADE 5



The grade 5's went outside to practice add decimals using a inside-outside circle method. When the students moved from person to person they added their decimals which were represented by Base 10 blocks. This was a great way to enjoy the sunshine and add decimals without using pencil and paper.



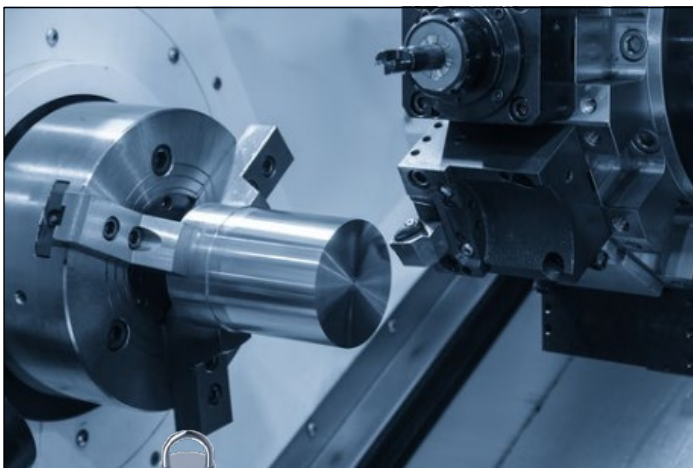
GRADE 6

Grade 6 students enjoyed a field trip to the Uxbridge Historical Centre to learn about how early settlers traveled to the area. The students also visited the Print Shop to learn about early newspapers and their importance to the community. In the afternoon the class enjoyed a hike in the York Regional Forest to search for examples of biodiversity in God's creation in connection with their science unit.



GRADE 7

On June 16th the grade 7 class ventured out on a field trip to Eyer Homestead park in Richmond Hill to climb the high ropes course, participate in team building activities and learn about the engineering process behind the ropes course structures.



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GRADE 8



On June 14, the Grade 8 class was treated to a Slip and Slide Party after a parent purchased the item during the 80th Anniversary Auction. This was a fun time of celebrating the end of the year and having some fun as a class after the Fun Run 5K. We are grateful for the sponsors who put this item up for auction as well as the individual who purchased the Slip and Slide Party for our class.

On June 19, 2023, the Grade 8 class set off for their Graduation trip to Ottawa. This is the first Grade 8 class to go to Ottawa since the pandemic and they are excited to learn more about our nations capital at the Senate, Supreme Court of Canada, and Rideau Hall. This trip was in connection with our History units this year on the building of Canada.



SPORTS AT KCS



We had a cold, but very successful KCS Field Day on Wednesday, May 17. The students achieved personal bests, encouraged one another, and completed 6 activities throughout the day with many of them running 1500 m at the end of the day. The following new records were set:
Gr. 3 Girls 100m Deanna H. 15.35sec
Gr. 7 Girls 100m Macy K. 13.38sec

Many students went on to compete in the district field day at Timothy Christian School in Barrie on Thursday, June 1. We are proud of our athletes accomplishments and the way they represented our school.



KCS participated in the Toronto North basketball and badminton tournaments. The athletes practiced hard to improve their skills and work on strategies making for days a great competition. The boys basketball team finished in 1st place! Congratulations!

The girls' team as well as each badminton team had great success during the round robin tournament and give it their all to advance to the semi- finals.



Thank you to all the students, who participated; the parents who cheered them on; and to Mr Lawrence who helped coach the basketball team.

GOLF MARATHON

The 26th annual KCS golf marathon took place on Thursday, May 25th at Innisbrook golf course in Barrie. Eighteen golfers and their caddies enjoyed a full day of golf and helped raise over \$63K for King Christian School. We are thankful for everyone who helped make this event a success!



5K FUN RUN

On Wednesday, June 14th students and teachers participated in a 5k run/walk to raise money for KCS operational costs. Our students raised over \$28K thanks to our very generous supporters. What a fun day the KCS community had! Highlights include many families cheering along the route, a visit and spray down from the Township of King Fire Department and hot dog and movie party for the school. There was tough competition for the highest earning class. Congrats to Mrs McKinley's SK class for coming out on top! Thank you to the many volunteers and staff that helped make this day happen. Way to go KCS - what a strong finish for the 2022/2023 school year!



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Congratulations to the graduating class of 2023. You have worked hard and can be proud of your accomplishments. We praise God for each one of you and know that He will use you to do great things for His honour and glory!

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