

**2022-2023
THEME:**

Who am I?
I AM A CHILD OF GOD.

This year our school theme is “Who Am I?” We are excited to shout the answer from the mountaintops, “I am a child of God.” Our God is God over all things. That is the Biblical truth that must gently whisper and boldly resound in every part, every thread of our Christian school. All things belong to God! This world is His kingdom – He’s building it every minute of every day, and He invites us, His people, to join Him in His kingdom building.

Throughout the year we will look at ten different ways that we can live out our identity God’s world. We will study how to be community builders, God worshippers, justice seekers, servant workers, beauty creators, creation enjoyers, order discoverers, earth keepers, idolatry discerners, and image reflectors.

We call these “Biblical Throughlines” and describing our roles with these titles will challenge us to understand who God wants us to be and what He wants us to do. They describe, exactly and profoundly, what we should “be” as a result of our Christian schooling.

These throughlines clearly encompass all things. 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



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

everything. We need to 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.

As we focus the lens of God's Word on the various subjects, topics, relationships, and conversations that make up a year of academic studies, I trust and pray that each student will seek to find their identity in Christ and be a part of God's restoration plan by living out that identity.

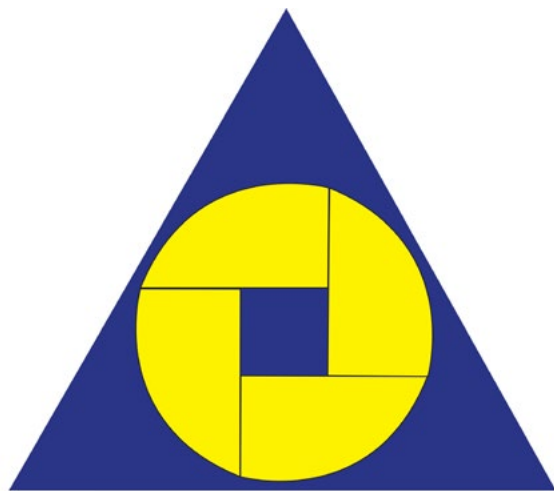
On a personal note, as I return as interim principal, I am ever so grateful to be welcomed into the wonderful

supportive community which exists at King Christian School! I am so looking forward to seeing God at work in all our lives and watching how students seek to live out their calling as children of God.

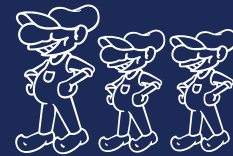
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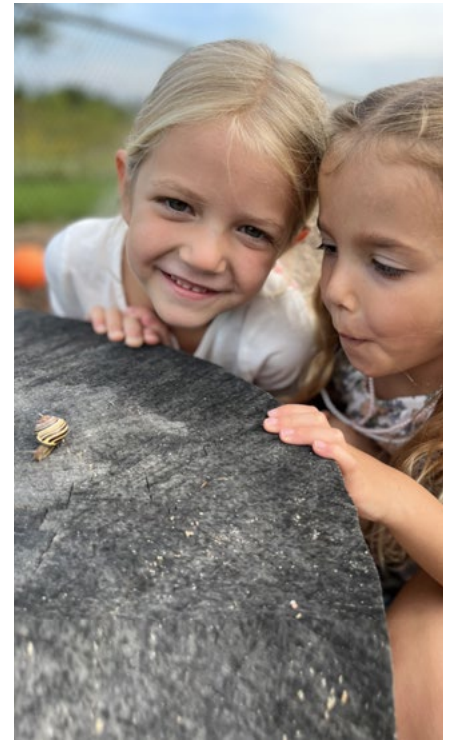


In JK we learned a new song “God is so good” for Letter Gg week and we practiced printing G-O-D. We love to talk to God and now we can write to Him too!

The JK and SK classes really enjoyed their visit from King Township Fire & Rescue. We learned that fire fighters are our friends and are here to help us. It was so great to make a new friend, Fire Fighter Heather, and have a close up look of a real fire engine.



SENIOR KINDERGARTEN



This fall, the new outdoor Kindergarten park has been a wonderful place for children to play, learn, explore and enjoy God's creation. A recent highlight in SK was having Grade 8 students show leadership by visiting the classroom and encouraging beginning readers as "reading buddies".

GRADE 1



The Grade 1 students really enjoyed acting out the Bible story of baby Moses. They got to dress up in character and learn about all the different ways to dramatize Bible stories. Mrs. MacDonald taught the class how to use their voice and bodies to convey a message.



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GRADE 2



The Grade 2 class has enjoyed doing many experiments discovering the properties of solids, liquids, and gases. We made oobleck and each student created their own stressballs with the extras. We also explored the densities of different liquids.



GRADE 2/3



The grade 2/3 class has been learning about worms. We have a living composter in our classroom that helps to keep some organic waste out of the landfills. The worms are making nutrient rich fertilizer for us which we will use to help some plants around our school later in the year.

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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.

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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.



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GRADE 3/4



Grade 3 /4 has been exploring God's world investigating soil, snow and engineering! We are using our hearts to try to impact the community around us. Students have spent time organizing a food drive and sorting the generous donations from our school families. Students have made editable repetitive patterns in math, identified the layers of soil in a tasty treat, and enjoyed ball hockey and snow sculpting.

This Christmas our class is striving to share the love of Jesus with others. The students are choosing a tag from The Giving Tree and with their families are making this holiday a bit better for others. This may be doing some Christmas baking, making cards for children hospitalized at Christmas or doing chores to earn money to buy someone a snowsuit for the winter. Our engineering unit has prompted us to create a standing nativity scene to place outside to remind others of that first Christmas and the greatest gift of all.

GRADE 4



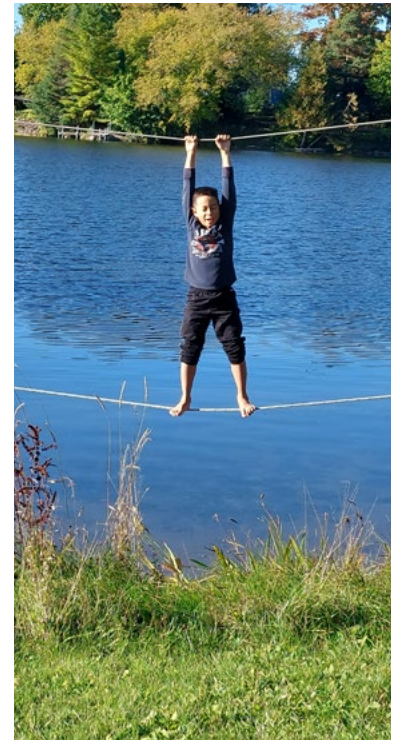
The Grade 4 class did a diorama project for the Habitats and Communities Unit in Science. Students implemented research of animals and plants to make a diorama of their chosen habitat using school materials and things we gathered from our school grounds. Students had to research, build, and also make a presentation of their habitat to their fellow classmates.



GRADE 5



On September 29 - 30 the students in Grade 5 and 6 went to Fair Glen along with two teachers and six chaperones. The weather was great for the three days as they spent hours outside in team building activities, canoeing, high and low ropes, a campfire complete with marshmallows and enjoying delicious food in the dining hall. Special memories were made and class community was created through this trip.



GRADE 6




The Grade 6 Class participated in community building when they made apple crisp together as a class. Along with this being a time to bake delicious food together, this activity gave the students a chance to learn fraction conversions and procedural writing.







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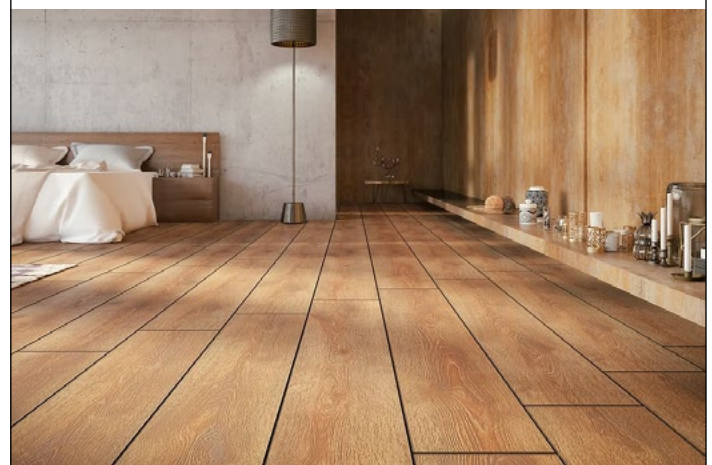

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GRADE 7

The grade 7 class took a trip to Phyllis Rawlinson Park to be creation enjoyers and expand on our knowledge from the science unit, interactions in the environment. We learned about the intricacy of God's creation and how everything in an ecosystem, living and nonliving, are connected in some way. Students participated in a number of activities such as shelter building, archery, hiking, bonfire lunch cookout and the web of life game. In addition to this, students concluded the unit by creating a diorama of an ecosystem.



GRADE 8



The Grade 8 class has been growing in their leadership skills this year. Over the course of the last months they have been planning spirit days for the school including Jersey Day, Book and Movie Character Day. In addition to planning these activities for the school, they have been helping in various classrooms as reading buddies. The younger students have appreciated the time working with the “big kids” in the past months.



SPORTS AT KCS



On November 23 KCS hosted the Toronto North Volleyball Tournament with six other area Christian Schools. The teams all played well and had a great day of fun and fellowship together. The KCS boys team came in 2nd place and the girls team came in 3rd place.

Thank you to the coaches: Mr. Lawrence, Mrs. Wagner, and Mrs. Schenk.



God gave us a beautiful day in Alliston for the Cross-Country Running meet in October! We had 24 runners from KCS competing in the 3 different age groups. Many parents came to cheer us on and Mrs. Veenstra got to come too!

The Cross-country coaches (Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Semeniuk, and Mrs. Byron) are so proud of every team member for their committed practice and hard work in training and for pushing themselves to race their best. They demonstrated Christ-like sportsmanship towards teammates and competitors alike. We were excited to win the trophy for the top team for Boys ages 7-9 – Congratulations, Boys! Overall, KCS' runners received 11 ribbons in the top 10. Special acknowledgement goes out to Owen for his 1st place finish (1km), Brenton for 2nd place (3km), Branson for winning 3rd place (2km), and Caleb for placing 4th (2km) – well done!



The KCS soccer team represented us well at the tournament, they secured the bronze medal. Special thanks to our coach Mr. Veldhoen who volunteered to coach the team.



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