

## **School Matters**

### February 19, 2025

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**

#### Calendar

Thurs. Feb. 20, 2025 Basketball Tournament in Barrie Fri. Feb. 21, 2025 Winter Carnival 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Tues. Feb. 25, 2025

Gr. 5-6 Basketball Tournament at KCS

Wed. Mar. 5, 2025 Chapel – 8:45 am

Fri. Mar. 7 - Mon. Mar. 17, 2025

March Break

Wed. Mar. 26, 2025

Parent-Teacher Conferences-by request

#### **Principal's Message**



**B. Noble, Principal** 

#### Dear KCS Community:

What a wonderful winter we are having enjoying the snow and relishing in all of the hands-on learning that winter clubs offer!

This year's theme of 'Salt & Light' has brought new understandings about our responsibility as Christians to live out the love and grace modelled by Jesus. We are learning to be 'salty' by serving others. Classes are finding ways to meet real needs in the community such as encouraging seniors, providing winter gloves and hats to the needy, and gathering food for the local food bank. What a privilege to undertake this beautiful work together!

Sincerely, B. Noble, Principal

# **Happy Birthday**



On **February 21st**, students will celebrate King Christian School's 82nd birthday! Classes will participate in fun winter carnival activities led by our grade 7 and 8 students. They will also enjoy hot chocolate and treats to celebrate 82 years of Christian education. The school was formerly named Holland Marsh District Christian School and it was founded on February 15th, 1943 with only 19 students. Praise God for His hand of blessing over all of the years the school has been operating! We ask for His continued blessing for the next 82 years!



On January 31st students enjoyed learning the basics of curling through engaging gym activities with the organization, **Rocks & Rings**. Did you know that it's possible to learn how to curl without being on an icy surface? Students learned to strategize as teams to slide the rocks along the floor to the targets. Exposing kids to a variety of sports helps kids learn new things and open doors. Interested in finding a curling program? https://www.curling.ca/about-curling/gettingstarted-in-curling/find-a-curling-centre/

#### Clubs



The winter is club time at KCS! During the cold recesses, kids have a variety of activities from which to choose such as basketball, worship dance, Lego club, rainbow loom braceletmaking, crocheting, needlepoint, paper crafts, and Battle of the Books. We are thankful for staff members who have provided these extra-curricular activities to enrich students' school experience!

	Our basketball season is underway! On February 20th our girls' and boys' teams will be playing in a tournament with other Edvance schools at Timothy Christian School in Barrie. Go Royals!
3 NEW LE	Thanks to the hard work of Sports Chaplain, Kerry Bruce of <b>Scripture Union Sports</b> , KCS will be hosting a basketball mini-tournament for grade 5 & 6 students on February 25th. Invited schools are Innova Academy and Newmarket Christian Academy. This will be a great way to prepare students for the basketball team in grades 7 & 8.
Math Olympics  + - × =	On February 12, twelve students from KCS attended the Math Olympics at Orillia Christian School. Students formed grade level teams (gr. 6, 7 & 8) and competed with students from several other schools on complex Math problems. Using teamwork and collaboration skills, students had to solve these problems in creative ways. We are proud of our students for representing KCS so well. Congratulations to Caleb S. (gr. 7) who placed 1st overall and Melody L. (gr. 7) who placed 2nd. On the grade 8 team, Lily S. placed 1st overall and Elly H. placed 2nd. The KCS team results are as follows: The Grade 6 team placed 3rd, the Grade 7 team was 1st, and the Grade 8 team was 2nd. Congratulations on a job well done!
Parent-Teacher Conferences Wednesday, March 26, 2025	Parent Teacher Conferences are optional for the Spring Term and are only offered one evening, March 26, with limited availability. Please book only if necessary. Also note that there is no childcare available. Conference bookings will open on March 3 and close on March 21 to allow the teachers time to prepare properly. Please check for the Parent-Teacher Conference link in your Edsby messages on Monday, March 3 <sup>rd</sup> , if you would like to book. When you arrive for Conferences, please enter the school through the North-East doors, the front doors will be locked.
	One of our recent community service projects has been to provide Valentine greetings to senior living at Sharon Corners Retirement Living. Students of all grades designed beautiful cards with beautiful messages to bless seniors.
Food Drive	Another 'Love Your Neighbour' action this winter was led by the students in Junior Kindergarten. For one week, families donated food items to support the <b>Helping Hands Food Bank</b> in Bradford at a time when much help is needed. We are so pleased that hundreds of needed items were donated. Thank you to the students and their families for loving people in our community in this practical way!
TRIP Tuition Reduction Incentive Program	TRIP is our on-going gift card fundraiser. We appreciate your support. See attached order form, or order through Zeffy with your credit card. <a href="https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/8de9af0f-6457-4be1-b66b-52809f170403">https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/8de9af0f-6457-4be1-b66b-52809f170403</a>
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 organizing your home!  Donation Hours:  Mon: 10am to 2pm, Tue: 10am to 2pm, Fri: 10am to 8pm