



North Toronto Christian School

MARCH 2021 NEWSLETTER

MARCH MADNESS!

March Madness is our theme for this month! A short bell day has been scheduled each week, and special activities will be taking place. We will kick off the first week with a long overdue AWARDS assembly that will highlight the achievements of many of our students from last year.

Award recipients, determined in June 2020, will be virtually recognized during our zoom assembly for their academic and sports accomplishments during the 2019/2020 academic school year. These individuals were listed in our July 2020 newsletter that was emailed to all school families last summer.

March Madness will also include a series of speakers who will share thoughts about how to show God's love to those around us. A focus will be on missionary work, specifically the life of St. Patrick, as we examine the importance of putting the needs of others before our own.

Mark Wednesday, March 17th, on your calendar and start looking for something GREEN in your wardrobe as we will be dressing casually in this colour on ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

Stay tuned for updates from the Service and Leadership Team (SaLT) as they plan and organize a variety of activities throughout the month of March!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 12	Report Cards (JK-Grade 6)
April 02-05	Good Friday Easter Monday (no school)
April 09	Term 2 Interim Report Cards (Gr. 7-12)
April 12-16	April Break (no school)
May 21	PD Day (no school)
May 24	Victoria Day (no school)



A New Look for our Website!

We are excited to announce that we have launched our new NTCS website! We trust that it will provide valuable information to potential families who are seeking a Christian education for their children.

A special thank you to our Web Developer, **Julia Cooke**, a graduate of NTCS (2015) who currently works in the computer science field, having graduated from McMaster University.

We also want to express our appreciation to the many alumni who shared their favourite memory of NTCS/The Yorkland School and what NTCS has meant to them in the **Alumni memories** section of the website. Check it out at ntcs.on.ca!

McCarthy Uniforms Inc.

Our uniform supplier is hosting live "Welcome to Your Uniform" webinars this month to give families the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about how and when you can shop for your uniform. Webinars are being held on March 22nd at 4 p.m., March 25th at 11 a.m., and March 31st at 6:30 p.m. You can access the registration links through their website to register—mccarthyuniforms.ca.

Parking and Traffic

Thank you for your daily co-operation using the three designated drop-off and pick-up areas. We continue to ask for your vigilance as you enter and exit the parking areas. With smaller children on site, it is vital that we have your full co-operation in this matter.

Please be reminded that parents need to wait with their child in a parked vehicle to drop off in the morning and wait in a parked vehicle with their child for siblings during pick up in the afternoon. Parents need to leave your vehicle to collect your child from the playground and then proceed directly back to your vehicle. Unfortunately, as mandated by Toronto Public Health, students and parents should not be congregating for socializing at this time.

We ask that you do not park in undesignated areas or close to doors and that you **pull straight into parking spaces** as opposed to backing in.

Please also refrain from parking in front of the roped off areas on the south side of the building, as this tends to create congestion and makes it difficult for parked cars to exit safely.

Tuition Rates 2021-2022

If you have younger children ready for school next year, please register them soon as we are accepting new applicants for the coming school year now.

The following are the tuition rates for the academic school year 2021/2022 set at the recent Board of Directors meeting.

One child:	\$11112 or \$ 926/month (an increase of \$ 360/year or \$30/month)
Two children:	\$17784 or \$1482/month (an increase of \$ 576/year or \$48/month)
Three children:	\$22224 or \$1852/month (an increase of \$ 720/year or \$60/month)
Four children:	\$23232 or \$1936/month (an increase of \$ 720/year or \$60/month)
International student rate:	\$16820 (an increase of \$490)

These changes represent a general increase of 3.3%.

Grade 3—Introduction to Computer Coding

As part of the new math curriculum, which was introduced by the Ontario Ministry of Education in 2020, the grade three students just completed their first computer coding projects. Using the Scratch Jr. and Scratch applications, the students created a short program that included several characters that moved and interacted through a speech bubble. The students then enjoyed watching each other's presentations in class. One of the more popular projects included 3 tracks of recorded audio voices that were layered into a small choral component. This was a fun and educational introduction to coding for the students (and the teacher!).

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*It is the purpose of
NTCS to provide a
sound academic
education inte-
grated with a
Christian view of
God and the world.*

"Praise the Lord...He
spreads the snow like
wool and scatters the
frost like ashes. He
hurls down His hail like
pebbles. Who can with-
stand His icy blast?"

Psalm 147:12,16-17

**Report Cards (JK - Grade 6)**

Report cards will be emailed to parents/guardians of elementary students on Friday, March 12th, 2021.

The Term 2 Interim report card for grades 7 to 12 will be distributed by email on Friday, April 9th, 2021.

From the Guidance Office...

Term 2 is under way and we are progressing well through the year. There are a few items for graduating students to keep in mind:

- ◆ Term 1 marks have been submitted to OUAC and OCAS. Students are encouraged to check for errors or omissions and let Mr. Brown know if changes are needed.
- ◆ May 31, 2021 is the deadline for Grade 12 students to submit outside course report cards and community service hour documentation. The requirement for community service this year is 20 hours. Failure to submit documents by May 31 could result in not being able to walk with your graduating class.
- ◆ Please let Mr. Brown know when you have finalized plans for next year and of any scholarships that you have been awarded.

For those students in grades 8 and 9 who have not yet submitted their Course Selection Google form, please do so immediately. Grade 10 and 11 students will be receiving a revised form this week that is due on Friday, March 5th.

NTCS Calendar 2020-2021 (major dates)

April	02-05	Good Friday/Easter Monday
April	12-16	April Break
May	21	PD Day
May	24	Victoria Day
June	14-24	Exams (gr. 7-12)
June	25	Last day of school
June	25	Grade 8 Graduation
June	29	Grade 12 Graduation

**Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be sent via email on April 1, 2021.

The newsletter and other information can be found on our website at www.ntcs.on.ca. Be sure to keep up-to-date by reading the monthly newsletter and the emails that come to you from the school. If your email has changed or you are not receiving the newsletter and other correspondence, please call the school office.