



North Toronto Christian School

# DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

The NTCS Board of Directors, Administration and Faculty thank all parents and guardians for your wonderful support throughout the past year. We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!



## CHRISTMAS IS COMING TO NTCS!

The Grade 7-12 Christmas music evening will take place on **Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**, in the track area. Come enjoy some festive instrumental and choral classics as the Christmas season draws near. A variety of ensembles and musical styles are included in this year's program. You don't want to miss the talent that will be on display during this performance. All are welcome!

The JK to Grade 3 class Christmas presentation will take place on **Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m.**, and the Grade 4 to 6 class Christmas presentation on **Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m.** All presentations will be held in the NTCS track area.

Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> is a Christmas casual day where students may wear their favourite Christmas sweater.

### *Thank You For Coming To Parent/Teacher Interviews!*

Thank you to parents and guardians who attended the recent Parent/Teacher interviews through Google Meets and in-person. We want to ensure the very best success for each of your children and are grateful for opportunities to have direct contact with you. If at any time during the school year you require further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher through the school office or by email.

### *Travel and Absences during vacation times...*

Families who choose to have their children take extended holiday time should be aware of several matters. First, for attendance purposes, please let the office know in writing (email to [office@ntcs.on.ca](mailto:office@ntcs.on.ca)) if your child(ren) will be away for an extended time, before and/or beyond the designated holidays. Secondly, students who take extended holiday time are considered absent and will be recorded as such. This could have an impact on high school students who jeopardize their credit in any course if they miss more than 15 classes in the school year.

Also, it is not practical for teachers to supplement and plan out individual programs for those on vacation. Students will need to use their Google classroom(s) and be in communication with classmates, to stay up-to-date with their studies. It is the responsibility of the student to "catch up" on work missed during their absence.

## Winter Clothing Drive & Note-Writing Party

From Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> to Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, SaLT (Service and Leadership Team) will be initiating a school-wide **Winter Clothing Drive**, accepting new or gently used winter clothing items (coats, snowpants, jackets, sweaters, toques, scarves, mittens, gloves, earmuffs, neck warmers, socks, etc.) for The Scott Mission. The Scott Mission is a Christian organization here in Toronto offering support for the homeless, low-income families, and struggling youth. All items listed above are in high demand and the need continues to grow. Please consider donating your outgrown or unused winter clothing for this urgent need in our community during the cold months ahead. Spread the word to family and friends who may be able to contribute to this cause. Items being donated can be brought to the collection bags located in each homeroom.

Alongside the **Winter Clothing Drive**, and in line with the festive spirit, The SaLT team will also be hosting a Note-Writing party for students from Grades 7-12. The Note-Writing party will be held on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, from 3:30 - 4:30 pm. Students must sign up to participate as there are limited spaces available. The notes made by students will be given, together with the donated items from the **Winter Clothing Drive**, to those in need during this season.

Mr. C. Brown, SaLT Team Advisor

## Donations

It has been our custom each year to give you an opportunity to make an additional financial contribution to support the programs and facilities of North Toronto Christian School.

As a non-profit, charitable organization, NTCS is able to issue a tax-deductible receipt to you for the full amount of any donation. Donations can be submitted by cheque to the office or sent by e-transfer to [admin@ntcs.on.ca](mailto:admin@ntcs.on.ca). If you choose to send an e-transfer, please be sure to put the name and address you want to appear on the donation receipt in the message box. Also, an online donation may also be made by credit card from the 'donate' tab at the upper right side of our website homepage [www.ntcs.on.ca](http://www.ntcs.on.ca). We would be appreciative of anything you would feel led to contribute.

We thank you for your ongoing support of the NTCS program through your involvement in school activities, your encouragement of the teaching staff and your support of your child in their daily school life. Please continue to pray for the health and safety of the students, staff, administration, and the Board of Directors as we continue to work together to build a strong and positive school community.

## *Elementary Cold Weather Policy*

Our primary concern is always for the safety of our students. We will only take the children outside when it is safe to do so. The guidelines established are that when the combined temperature and wind chill are -**25C** or lower, the students will remain indoors due to the risk of frostbite. When temperatures with the wind chill factor are between **-20C and -25C**, we will shorten recesses to approximately 10 minutes depending on the local conditions, such as if it is sunny, windy, or currently snowing. The teachers on yard duty have also been instructed to use their discretion and to shorten recess to ensure student safety and welfare when necessary. At temperatures above **-20C**, students will go out for regular recess.

It is important that parents send their children with clothing that allows them to participate in outdoor activities every day during the winter months. Extra socks and mitts in your child's bag are strongly recommended. An extra set of clothing, especially for the younger children, is also a good idea. Please note that if you feel your child is not well enough to participate in recess due to recent illness or not feeling well, then it would be wise to keep them at home until they are able to participate fully in all aspects of the school program. Please **label** all winter clothing.

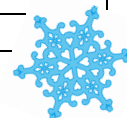
On especially cold days when the students are inside after school, students should be picked up at the north side track doors.



## Winter Weather Policy

Snow, cold, slippery roads and the traffic congestion they cause will be with us soon. Our school policy is to remain open on all school days no matter what the weather (unless, of course, the whole city is closed down). However, you must decide for your own family whether it is safe and whether it makes sense to send or take your child(ren) to school on any specific day. On **very bad weather days** when many schools within the city limits are closed, absences will not be counted, so students will not be penalized.

It is important, however, that parents take the weather into consideration when dropping off their children in the morning and/or picking them up in the evening. Leaving earlier from home in the morning or from work, if possible, in the evening might be helpful to avoid unnecessary traffic problems and to avoid late pick-up charges. Also, it is a good idea to have a back-up plan in place with a friend, a family member, or another school parent in the event that it is impossible for you to pick up your child on any given day due to major winter delays.



## WINTER CHANDOS SCHEDULE

We are pleased to continue our outdoor education trips to our camp facility on Chandos Lake this winter. They will commence a week after school begins for students in Grades 3-9! The winter packing list can be found on our school website. Stay tuned for more information.

Parents who wish to accompany an elementary class on their trip are required to have a Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC). Please email Dr. Brouwer your interest.

Please consider applying for the VSC as soon as possible, as the process can take some time and without sufficient supervision for our elementary classes, we may not be able to send the students at certain grade levels.

The schedule is as follows:

January 15-16	Grade 3
January 16-17	Grade 4
January 20-22	Grade 7
January 22-24	Grade 6
January 27-29	Grade 5
January 29-31	Grade 9
February 3-5	Grade 8

Dates are tentative and could change due to weather, teacher illness, etc.



## Aquatics Winter Schedule

Thank you to all participants in our Fall 2024 session. Lessons are currently scheduled to end on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Our winter session dates have been finalized, and registration forms will soon be available on our website.

Be sure to submit your form and payment early to secure your spot! Classes will begin the week of January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.



For up-to-date class schedules, families are encouraged to look at our Aquatics Google calendar which can be found on our website under the aquatics tab [here](#).

Thank you for your continued interest and support of our aquatics program.

## SKATING—SK to Grade 6

Once again, our skating sessions, this winter, will take place at Pleasantview Arena, 545 Van Horne Ave., in North York. Please ensure that your child has a pair of skates that fit them properly so that they can enjoy participating in this winter sport with their classmates. All students must also wear a **CSA approved helmet**, a requirement of all Toronto arenas, and warm mitts or gloves and their snowsuit.

	<u>11:00 am</u>	<u>12:30 pm</u>
Tuesday, January 14 (Day 3)	Gr. SK	Gr. 1
Tuesday, January 21 (Day 4)	Gr. 2	Gr. 4
Tuesday, January 28 (Day 1)	Gr. 3	Gr. 6
Tuesday, February 4 (Day 2)	Gr. 4	Gr. 5
Tuesday, February 11 (Day 3)	Gr. SK	Gr. 1
Tuesday, February 18 (Day 2)	Gr. 2	Gr. 3
Tuesday, February 25 (Day 3)	Gr. 5	Gr. 6



Parents who wish to attend to skate and assist the students with their skates and helmet are required to submit a Vulnerable Sector Check to Dr. Brouwer. If you have done so and would like to help out, please sign up on the Google form at this [link](#).



## Christmas Edition of *The Torch*

The Christmas Edition of *The Torch* will be available on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>! This edition will feature a special contribution from the Journalism Class, articles and activities created by our Writer's Craft class, as well as other members of the Torch club. It can be purchased for 25 cents at the drive-thru window. Christmas Flameys will also be available.

## *Bible-Based Streaming Video Resources for NTCS Families*

We are excited to share again this year that NTCS has unlimited access to RightNow Media — the world's largest streaming library of video Bible study resources (it's been called the "Netflix of Bible studies"). This extensive library has more than 20,000 professionally produced videos, many of which include interactive discussion guides. NTCS teachers are making use of this resource for homeroom devotions, Bible classes, and Chapel times at all grade levels.

[Follow this link to a video showcasing the features of RightNow Media.](#)

In addition to Bible study series, RightNow Media has videos on a variety of topics like marriage, parenting, personal finances, mental health, and more. There is even a library just for kids with over 2,000 safe, uplifting, and entertaining videos. RightNow Media has a free app that is available on all major streaming devices so you and your family can access content anytime, anywhere.

We are happy to share this access as a gift to our high school students and all families (JK-12) connected with NTCS! To accept this offer, simply click the link below, create your free account, and start browsing. You will never be asked to pay for this service, and your account will never expire, even when your children are no longer students of NTCS. We pray that RightNow Media will be a blessing to all NTCS families!

[Click this link to create your free RightNow Media account](#)

Mr. D. Vant Erve, Vice-Principal

## ***From the Guidance Office.....for Grade 12 students***

As students work on their applications to university and college, please keep the following in mind:

An application is not processed until payment is made. No information is sent to the institution that a student applies to until OCAS and/or OUAC is paid. There are several payment options, but the easiest one is the online option.

Information in an application can be changed at any time, even after payment and submission. Changes to name, address and program selections can be done by the student. Changes in course information will need to be brought to the guidance office for processing.

Once universities and colleges have received an application, they will generally send the student an email asking them to create an account—this is an important step. They will use the account to communicate with the student about supplemental applications and special deadlines.

Please be mindful of deadlines for your child's specific program and scholarships. If your child has not heard from a school about specifics and they were expecting to, then a quick email or phone call can make a big difference.

If your child is applying to schools outside Ontario, there may be different deadlines, so please be aware of this and plan accordingly. They may need to submit transcripts. Please allow at least two school days for the school office to generate these and have them signed.

If your child has not attended an English speaking school for all four years of high school, they may be required to provide proof of English language proficiency. This is their responsibility. Please make sure they understand the directions for submitting these documents.

If you have any questions, please connect at [cbrown@ntcs.on.ca](mailto:cbrown@ntcs.on.ca) to schedule an appointment.

Mr. C. Brown, Head of Guidance

## ***The NTCS MCU (Monthly Chapel Update)***

### **Primary Praise & Junior Mini-Chapel:**

The JK, SK, Grade 1, 2, and 3 classes have been meeting every Friday for Primary Praise time, with each of the kindergarten and primary division teachers taking a turn to lead along with Mr. V and Mrs. Newsted leading every other week. The entire school community joined in the track area to observe Remembrance Day, to which many classes and groups contributed stirring readings, artwork, and choral pieces. We were very proud of the younger primary students who were very respectful and quiet for what was quite a long service of reflection and reverence. We've continued a new tradition that we began last year, having each class present their memory verses to the rest of the students. It's been a joy to see God's Word being hidden in their hearts!

The Grade 4, 5, and 6 classes have been meeting every Friday as well for a Mini-Chapel service, with Mr. V., Mrs. Newsted, and each of the junior division teachers dividing up the leadership. These classes participated in a beautiful Remembrance Day service as well, and they have also been presenting their memory verses to the other classes. Additionally, this group of students has been studying the RightNow video series which follows the character "Christian" along his journey through the classic allegory, "The Pilgrim's Progress." Its themes of Christian Living align closely with the year's theme, "Live for the King!"

### **Intermediate & Senior Chapel:**

With an extended season of Chandos trips, we've had fewer Chapel times than by this time last year, but our 7-8 and 9-12 students have had some very meaningful times together, with some excellent messages from guest speakers and lots of opportunities to participate together in worship, led by the Gr. 7/8, 9/10, and 11/12 worship teams. On Remembrance Day, the whole school gathered to reflect on this important occasion, aided by beautiful artwork, choral songs, and reflective readings presented by many different classes. Guest speakers have included Phil Pharoah and Darren Kendall from Uxbridge Baptist Church, and Ken Michell from Tynedale University, who brought a big team of students in their Worship Leading program to lead us in raising our voices to God. Most recently, Dr. Brouwer and Mr. Vant Erve shared messages to the girls and boys, separately, to go along with our Intentional Kindness Week, encouraging all students to "clothe ourselves with kindness", as the Apostle Paul says in Colossians 3:12.

Mr. D. Vant Erve

## DECA Business Club

Forty enthusiastic business students of the NTCS DECA chapter took part in their regional competition at Cedarbrae Collegiate Institute on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. The individual and team events at the competition required the students to apply their ability to analyze and problem-solve a business case study and to give an oral presentation of their solution to a judge, all within 20-45 minutes. Then, their score is combined with their multiple choice exam scores (taken earlier in the month) to win a spot at the provincial competition.

With a good mix of 20 new and 20 returning members, students met daily to prepare for this event, led by the student executives, **Eugenia Ma, Arwyn Wallis, Ildi Angjeli, and Bernard Kim**. We are excited to celebrate everyone's job well done. I would also like to recognize **Aslan Lyu, Gabriella Philips, Mackenzie Silva, Brandon Yip** (Grade 12s), **Kiman Ghiasi-Esfahani, Evelyn Sun, Noah Xia** (Grade 11s), **Michael Chan, Joshua Lam** (Grade 10s), and **Hayoon Ku, Terrell Lam, Jaiden Ng, and Garrick Wong** (Grade 9s), who showed impressive performances and produced promising results, even though they did not qualify for the provincials this year.

Finally, congratulations to **Emma Esho, Joyce Lau, Eugenia Ma, Arwyn Wallis, Ildi Angjeli, Shannon Goligher, Gloria-Marie Salama, Alessia Kaounis, and Christopher Wallis** for qualifying for the provincials in February! We are thrilled for them as they are gearing up to prepare for the new challenges at the provincial level.

Overall, it was a new and challenging experience for many, as they pushed themselves to step out of their comfort zone. We are proud of what every student has overcome and accomplished thus far and look forward to supporting their success in the upcoming year.

Mr. M. Kim, DECA Advisor

## Immersive Van Gogh Visit

Our Grade 9-12 art students had the opportunity to visit the Lighthouse ArtSpace in downtown Toronto on November 21<sup>st</sup>. The purpose of the trip was to learn about how technology can be used to express an artist's thoughts and feelings. This was an immersive experience that showcased many of Vincent Van Gogh's famous paintings as various professors, in the technology field, used their digital expertise to display Van Gogh's work in this new and exciting way.

This was a very unique experience for the art classes, as the students had just completed an Impressionism style landscape painting using acrylics.

Mrs. H. Kim

## Grade 4 Trip to Kortright Conservation Centre

Grade 4 took science outdoors, this month, at the Kortright Conservation Centre. We enjoyed a beautiful fall day in nature. A highlight was playing prey and predator, a game similar to tag. The students chosen to be owls were to tag the mice and receive their tokens. The twist at the end was that the blue tokens represented disease. As a result, the owls with blue tokens were disappointed with their catch. Students also looked for scavengers and decomposers. This and other games and activities helped us recognize the impact of human activities on our habitat. Our takeaway was to be good stewards of our resources, or lose them. In the afternoon, the students also enjoyed exploring birds of prey and dissecting sterilised owl pellets.

Mrs. A. Seenaraine



## Science Classes Visit the ROM

The Grade 11/12 biology and Grade 12 kinesiology classes had a meaningful learning opportunity at the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM), on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Given the vast collections at the ROM, the students were able to explore the diversity of living things from the different kingdoms of life.

The students also investigated the consequences of human impact and climate change on biodiversity through a self-guided tour, while completing an interactive scavenger hunt. In the afternoon, students participated in an inquiry-based lab led by the ROM staff where they analyzed the evidence of evolution as well as the advantages and disadvantages of artificial selection. It was certainly an enjoyable and organic learning experience for the class.

Mrs. H. Tse



## Grade 7 Trip to Woodland Cultural Centre

On Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, the Grade 7 classes toured the Woodland Cultural Centre museum and 1924 exhibit, in Brantford. They also visited the Mohawk Institute Residential School. It was a fitting culminating activity after finishing their novel study about an Inuit girl's experience at a Residential School. The artifacts in the museum offered the students more insight into what life was like for Indigenous peoples before and after being colonized and how it negatively affected their culture. The students enjoyed having lunch at Mohawk Park where they were led through a land acknowledgment and a land-connection activity.

Ms. N. Jones

## Grade 2 and Grade 7 Service Project

Over the past two months, the Grade 2 and Grade 7 students have been collecting gently used toys, books, school supplies, and children's shoes and clothing to send to the Philippines, specifically to the Eldorado Kids of Paranaque, a home-based church ministry that reaches children in poorer communities, Boystown Orphanage, and Servant Channel of Cares International, a Christian, nonprofit organization.

In total, **10+** boxes, weighing approximately 50-75 lbs each, have been packed and shipped. The boxes are currently on a five to eight-week journey aboard an ocean freighter. It is expected that they will arrive at their destination sometime in January. Thank you to all the school families, teachers, and friends who contributed towards this service project.

Mrs. F. Lew-Ong and Mr. D. Lew

## *Uniform Items*

Please take some time over the winter break to inspect your child's uniform ensuring that each item is in "good repair", in keeping with our uniform policy. Many clothing items become stained, torn, and discoloured over time. Please also check that uniform items fit properly so that shirts can remain tucked in and kilts hang to the knee. It would also be a good time to ensure that all school uniform items are **LABELLED** clearly with your child's name, including all school and gym uniform items. Snowsuits, boots, toques, scarves, mitts, jackets, water bottles, lunch pails, backpacks, and school textbooks should also be labelled as they are often misplaced by students.

## ***NTCS FLAMES—Indoor Soccer***

### ***Grade 7/8 Girls' Soccer***

On Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 of our Grade 7 and 8 girls competed in a full-day indoor soccer tournament held at The Hangar, in Downsview Park.

**Charlie Chan, Auvine Fateh Nemati, Kendra Ho, Cathryn Kwok, Sophia Liu, Tina Mazaheri, Maely Ouegnin, Zoe Sami, Alena Wang, and Deborah Wang** played hard and improved with every game. They demonstrated good sportsmanship throughout the competition. Well done, girls. We're proud of you.

Mrs. S. Erasmus, Coach



### ***Grade 7/8 Boys' Soccer***

The Grade 7/8 boys soccer team participated in the Small Schools Athletic Federation (SSAF) tournament that took place at The Hangar (Downsview Park), on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. It was an exciting time where our boys displayed enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Kudos to our team for the big effort and for playing passionately to represent our school in the best possible way. We won two games (7-0 and 3-0), tied 1 (1-1), and lost 1 (1-0).

Team members were **Allan Wang, Curtis Leung, Baarman Ghiasi Esfahani, Damola Eleso, Ezra Kok, Luke Morgan, Mena Matta, Luke Yeo, Theodore Nassar, and Theodore Youssef**.

Mr. H. Galvez, Coach

## ***NTCS FLAMES—Swimming***

### ***Invitational Swim Meet***

On Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 8 senior high school swim team members attended an invitational swim meet at University of Toronto's Athletic Center in downtown Toronto. Hosted by the University of Toronto as a way to promote competitive swimming amongst high school students, the NTCS team raced against swimmers from 11 other schools from all around Ontario.

It was a full day of races, and everyone demonstrated good camaraderie and sportsmanship. While a small team, our swimmers still put forth some serious competition and, overall, the women placed **6<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams** while the men placed **7<sup>th</sup> out of 12 teams**, primarily losing out to schools with more team members competing. Overall, the swimmers had an enjoyable time and took this as a good learning experience to further improve before our swimming championships in February.

Best times were achieved at Friday's meet with some highlights being **Aaron Tao** (12) flying across the water placing 1<sup>st</sup> in both his men's 100m butterfly and 100m freestyle events. **Jason Nam** (11) competed in 4 individual events and placed within the top 5 for his 50m back crawl, 50m breaststroke and 100m breaststroke. Jason has expressed determination to reach OFSAA again this year for these events. For our women competitors, we had a great performance from **Shanya Munoz** (11) who achieved a 35.09 in her 50m freestyle, finally breaking under 36 seconds. Shanya also placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50m women's backstroke event and is getting close to clocking in a time under 40 seconds! She placed with a 41.63. Congratulations as well to our senior girls relay team for placing 5<sup>th</sup> in their 200m freestyle relay event.

With their eyes set on the TDCAA Championships and new best time goals to achieve, the senior high school team members return to practice with renewed vigor. I look forward to seeing how the team continues to improve in the coming months.

Great job to the 8 team members who participated in Friday's meet. Team members included: **Ivan Chan (11), Rebecca Goh (11), Haley Joo (11), Esther Jung (11), Shanya Munoz (11), Jason Nam (11), Gabriel Wong (11), and Aaron Tao (12)**.

Ms. A. Leung, Coach



## ***NTCS FLAMES—Volleyball***

### ***Grade 7/8 Girls' Volleyball Season Wraps Up***

This fall, we saw 12 brave and determined girls join the Grade 7/8 girls' volleyball team: **Novella Getachew, Maely Ouegnin, Hyeon-seo Shim, Amy Zhao, Carrie Chan, Cathryn Kwok, Carissa Peng, Stephanie Duran Pacheco, Aksha Joel, Auvine Fateh Nemati, Tina Mazaheri, and Deborah Wang.**

This was a team of mixed abilities, with brand-new players as well as some returning players. Thanks to the initiative and leadership of our wonderful student coach, **Tiffany Pang** (10B), we started tryouts and practices early in September. Along with teacher-coach, **Mrs. Yoo**, the team grew significantly in teamwork and skills through a lengthy practice season.

The season wrapped up with a challenging all-day tournament at Oakville Christian School on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Although we did not make it to the playoff rounds, the team was able to take home what they learned throughout the season -- amongst these, being able to communicate effectively as a team and keeping encouragement with teammates were amongst the most valuable lessons they learned.

Thank you team, for a wonderful season, and I look forward to working with many of you again next year!

Mrs. Q. Yoo, Coach

### ***Grade 7/8 Boys' Volleyball***

The Grade 7 and 8 boys' volleyball team played in a tournament on November 20th at Brampton Christian School. It was a fun-filled day of competition, with every set against teams from Brampton, Halton Hills, John Knox, Oakville, and Wesley having good competitive balance. Our serves were consistent, and we played a good, controlled defense with some strong attacks and one EPIC block, but the other teams were a bit more experienced. In the end, NTCS only came out on top in one of the ten sets we played, and we missed the playoffs but had a great time giving it our best! Mr V could not be more proud of the boys' teamwork, sportsmanship, and perseverance.

Team members included: Grade 7: **Colwyn Gao, Ezra Kok, Owen Kwong, Avin Lai, Bosco Xue, and Theodore Youssef.**  
Grade 8: **Alvin Deng, Damola Eleso, Ian Goligher, Eyoab Legesse, Allan Wang, Luke Yeo, and Ivan Zeng.**

Mr. D. Vant Erve, Coach



### ***Senior Boys' Volleyball***

On November 27<sup>th</sup>, the NTCS high school boys' volleyball team played their playoff tournament at Toronto Waldorf School. They started strong with a close win over Whitefield Christian School before losing two heartbreaking games against the number 2 seed, Hudson College, 25-23 and 30-28. This meant that the Flames had to take on the defending champion, Peoples Christian Academy, in the quarterfinals. NTCS came out strong holding a lead for almost the entirety of the set but ultimately lost 25-21 and dropped the second set as well, eliminating them from the playoffs. Congratulations to the team for a hard fought, very competitive season.

Team members included: **Ildi Angjeli, James Awadalla, Tristan Boertjes, Curtis Gao, Kiman Ghiasi Esfahani, Jeffrey Jun, Martin Lem, Max Le Maguer, Liam Lu, Jeffrey Tao, Aidan Untalasco, Brandon Yip (Captain), and Austin Zhang.**

Mr. A. Hoover, Coach

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

Today in the town of  
 David a Saviour has  
 been born to you; he  
 is Christ the Lord.'

Luke 2:11 (NIV)



**OPEN HOUSE—Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025—7-9 pm**



Do you know of family and friends who may be interested in sending their children to NTCS in September of 2025? We have already conducted many tours for families who have seen our website or heard about us from a school family or someone at their church.

Often, families begin to prepare in the New Year for next September. Even now we are accepting students for the new school year in 2025. Our annual Open House is a wonderful opportunity for interested families to come and visit the facility and observe some of the activities that take place every day. As in the past, our music students will be involved singing and playing their instruments and other activities and clubs will also be represented. It is always an enjoyable and informative evening for our guests. Thank you for the part so many of you play in promoting NTCS!

**NTCS Calendar 2024-2025 (major dates)**

Dec. 23 -Jan. 3, 2025	Christmas Break-No school
February 14	PD day-No school
February 17	Family Day
March 7-17	March Break-No school
April 18-21	Good Friday/Easter Monday-No school
May 16	PD Day-No school
May 19	Victoria Day-No school
June 9-19	Exams (Gr. 7-12)
June 20	Last day of school



**Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be sent via email on February 1, 2025.

The newsletter and other information can be found on our website at [www.ntcs.on.ca](http://www.ntcs.on.ca).



**Classes will resume on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025!**

