



THE KING'S HERALD

*PROVIDING A POSITIVE HIGH SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT
AND POSITIONING TEENS FOR GODLY LEADERSHIP*

FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL...

Is it my imagination or has Christmas come early? The marketing surrounding gift-giving seems to grow exponentially each year. To a degree, the emphasis on purchasing lessens my experience of joy. At King's, we enjoyed three wonderful gifts in the last week. The school band and choir both received first place standards at the Burlington Music Festival, and the Women's basketball team qualified for the Single "A" Ontario championships in convincing fashion.

These are nice accolades, but I wonder if that is what brings the real joy in life. To me, and I am sure to the members of these groups, the joy is in the working together. Deeper joy is in giving your personal self to the benefit of the larger group. Students and staff on mission trips will experience this joy just as much as school prefects, Student Council, and groups of friends do – as long as their focus exists outside personal wants and desires.

I pray we can capture this idea at Christmas. Mr. Norbury is busy preparing for a Christmas concert (Dec 11) with all the school musicians. A Christmas meditation is being planned for December 19. I hope we can capture the holiness of the moment through these events and experience the inner joy of knowing that our Saviour put Himself "out there" for us.

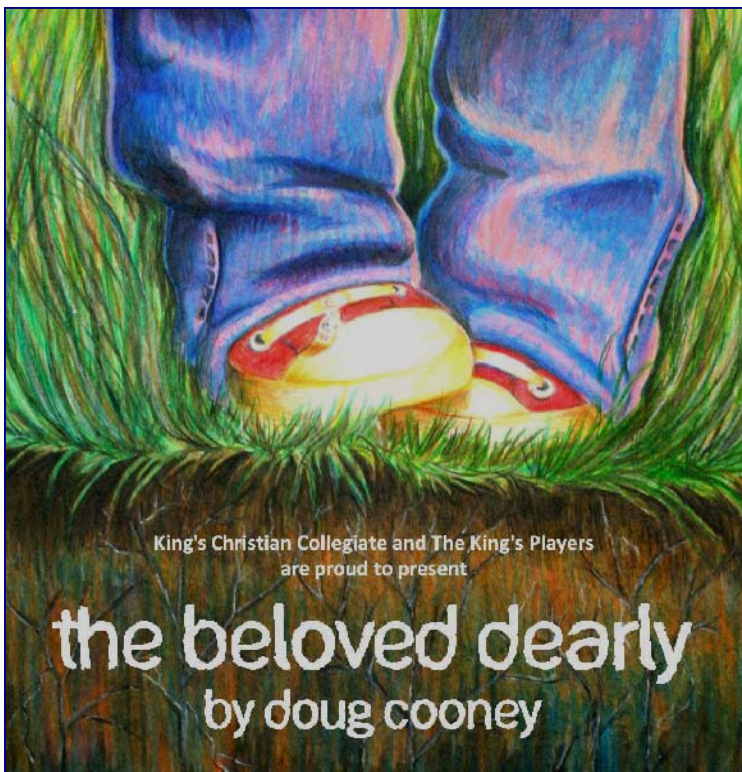
Until then, we have plenty of other joys to experience – the winter production "The Beloved Dearly", more team sports, opportunities to help others, and, of course, plenty of learning and hard work. We do need to work hard as we near the Christmas Break. When the semester is done, I am convinced that our joy will be found more in the amount of work and learning we invested in than it will be in the marks given.

"Take heart! Be courageous!" (Joshua 1). I encourage each of us to take joy in our work day by day. Rest will come in four short weeks. It will be worth it!

MR. JOHN DE BOER

THE PLAY'S THE THING...

On November 28th and 29th the King's Players present the modern children's theatre classic *The Beloved Dearly*. This remarkable children's play tells the story of a young teen entrepreneur who has discovered the perfect way to make his first million: holding pet funerals for kids. So he hires Dusty to make the boxes, Tony to dig the graves, and a tomboy named Swimming Pool to cry. Business goes through the roof, and everything is going well until Swimming Pool demands to be paid a fair wage for her work. Ernie must learn that there is more to life than money. *The Beloved Dearly* is a special comedy about business, friendships, loss and how we learn to express our feelings. *The Beloved Dearly* runs on Friday Nov. 28th at 7pm and Saturday Nov. 29th at 2pm and 7pm at King's. Adult tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door, student tickets are \$5, and family tickets are \$25. Tickets can be purchased at ticketwindow.ca or by calling 1-877-700-3130.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Friday, November 21 at 5:00 pm**
Marks Updated on Maplewood
- **Friday, Nov 28 and Sat Nov 29**
The Beloved Dearly (Drama Production)
- **Thursday, December 11**
Christmas Concert

JOIN US TO PRAY

All are welcome to join the group of praying parents that gathers Thursday mornings at 8:45 to pray for students and the needs of the King's community. We meet informally in the office, read Scripture, share prayer needs, pray as we are lead and are on our way by 9:30. Call Sharon Roebbelen (905-257-5464 ext 508) if you have questions about how you may participate in this essential ministry.



OFF TO OFSAA...

The King's Cavaliers Women's Basketball team (shown left, Kristina Marra not shown) recently defeated Brampton Christian School in the "A" OFSAA qualifying game 38-23. The leading scorer for King's was Lauren DeJong with 10 pts, followed closely by Katy Moes with 8 pts. The team is currently competing in the "A" OFSAA championship in North Bay, following King's first ever Halton playoff berth where they finished second in the Richardson East Division. You can monitor the team's progress by going to the OFSAA website (www.ofsaa.on.ca) and clicking on "schedule and results". and selecting "King's".



OPTIMIST CLUB YOUTH APPRECIATION SERVICE AWARD

On Monday, November 10, the Optimist Club hosted an event in celebration of youth leadership within Oakville area high schools. **Andrew Silvestri** (Grade 12, pictured above) was a recipient of this award as a result to his involvement in Student Council, Prefect Student Leadership Program, Service Trip Participant, Volunteer Club member, badminton team member, and his elite involvement with squash outside of school. Congratulations to Andrew for this honour!

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Emily Wood (Grade 10, below, left) and **Michael Major** (Grade 11, below, right) recently competed in the Eastern Canada Irish Dance Championships. Emily placed 7th and Michael placed 5th, both qualifying for the world championships in Philadelphia in April, involving over 4000 competitors. They both also qualified for the North American Irish Dance Championships in July in Nashville, Tennessee.

