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A Message from the Board

Praise the Lord! What an incredible school year we have had. So many great memories and friendships have been formed, both with parents and students. Yes, we have had moments during the year where we experienced some hiccups, but despite all those challenges I look back and I am thankful for the community that God has given us. The amount of grace, forgiveness, love, generosity and heart that families and staff have shown towards each other blows me away. This is truly a testament to what the Lord has going on in our little corner of Chatham-Kent.

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"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:35

We will be saying goodbye for now to some families at the end of this year. To those families, may the Lord God Almighty continue to bless you and your family. Thank you for the amount of time volunteering, and the financial generosity you have shown over your time at WCS. Know that we truly appreciate your dedication to a Christ-centered education. It always moves the board every year hearing the stories of how the Lord continues to work at the school with so much growth - both physically and spiritually - shown through everyone's time at the school.

Over the last few years the building has had to expand to make room for the growing student body. Even though the building hasn't 'grown' this year please know that we are still planning a gym. When will this begin? We are hopeful to raise a large amount of the funds required to do so before we commence this next stage, as it is a very costly endeavour. A friend of mine reminded me not too long ago that the Lord has all the money in the world but He loves to use us more. I am confident that He has everything all worked out so that one day Wallaceburg Christian School will be the host of a new gym expansion that will be yet another tool to further His kingdom.

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To all the volunteers we the board are truly thankful for all your hard work and generosity. God is doing some awesome things with all you servant-hearted people. We look forward to working with everyone again next year.

The board will be welcoming new members Cornelius Unger and Mamie McKinnon this year. If you have any questions or would like to know more about how the board operates please reach out to myself (Josh Miller), your Chair of the board, or Jocelyn Kraayenbrink, your Vice Chair. Please also consider, in the coming years, bringing names to the board for nominations for future board member positions.

We want to thank all the Teachers, Admin and Staff for the hard work they do on a daily basis teaching our children. I hope that you know that we love each and every one of you and it doesn't take long to realize that you all have such an incredible love for Jesus and that the Holy Spirit resides in all of you. Thank you for sharing this with the students that are entrusted to you.

This is my final report to everyone as your Chair of the board. Know that I took this position very seriously and have come to appreciate the weight this position or any other position on the board can carry at times. It has truly been an honour to work with everyone and I appreciate the words of encouragement, prayers, and help along the way. To God be all the glory for ever and ever, amen.

"I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and

hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:10-13

Thanks and God Bless, Josh Miller





Principal Ponderings

This year, our theme—Romans 12:2, "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind"—has shaped so much of what we've learned and lived out together. In classrooms, devotions, and conversations, we have explored what it means to live differently, to think with God's perspective, and to be rooted in His truth. It has been inspiring to see our students grow not only in knowledge but in spiritual maturity as they strive to live lives that reflect Christ.

As we head into the summer months, I encourage each of you to take time for rest, renewal, and reflection. God's invitation to abide in Him is a gift, and summer offers a wonderful opportunity to slow down and dwell in His presence.

Looking ahead, we are excited to celebrate a significant milestone—our 65th year of Christian education! What a testament to God's ongoing provision and the commitment of families and supporters who have faithfully upheld this ministry over the decades. We look forward to entering the 2025–2026 school year with anticipation and joy, trusting that the God who has been with us through every season will continue to lead and bless.

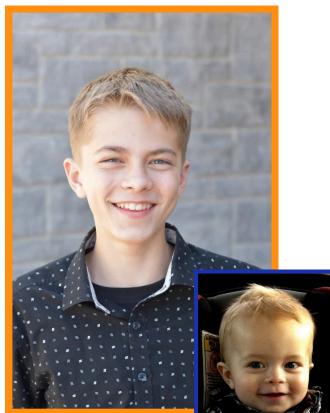
Thank you for being part of this journey. May your summer be filled with peace, joy, and the deep assurance of God's unchanging love.

In Christ,

Maffhew Charren
Principal, Wallaceburg Christian School







Matthew Guenther

Favourite subject: Physical Education

Favourite Bible verse: John 14:15

If you love me, you will keep my commands.

"One thing that I really appreciate about WCS is that we have the ability to be with the younger grades at recess and the wonderful teachers that we have at this school."

Ivry Kramer

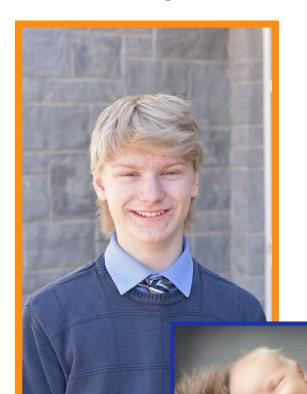
Favourite subject: Gym

Favourite Bible verse: Psalm 23:6

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

"I have really enjoyed the community at Wallaceburg Christian School because we can play across all grades. I got to experience this with computer lab buddies, partner reading and the discipleship program"





Nathaniel Krogman

Favourite subject: Music

Favourite Bible verse: Psalm 31:8

You have not given me into the hands of my enemies but have given me freedom to go where I wish.

I like that we do a lot of things across grades together. We do things like partner reading and computer lab buddies.

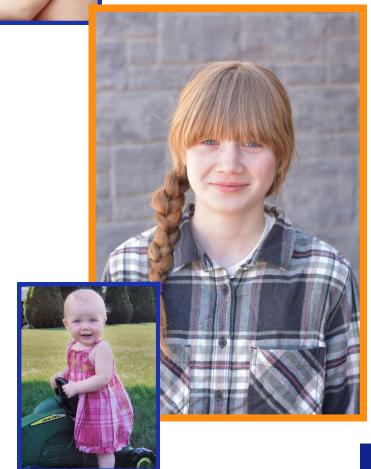
Leah Logan

Favourite subject: Writing

Favourite Bible verse: 1 Thessalonians 4:6

No one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before.

One thing I appreciate about the school is that I know everyone's name and everyone hangs out with everyone.





Micah Neyman

Favourite subject: Art

Favourite Bible verse: Micah 1:1

The word of the Lord that came to Micah of Moresheth during the reigns of Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah—the vision he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.

My one memory is when Raelynn and I made a Google slide all about dogs and we included a one hour video in the slideshow

Elliott Finley

Favourite subject: Art

Favourite Bible verse: James 1:2-4

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

One thing I have appreciated that I will take with me as I graduate is the memories we made on the Fair Glen field trip.





Andrez Thiessen

Favorite subject: Art

Favourite Bible verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

One thing I will take with me as I graduate is that Mr. Charron took us on a trip to

Canada's Wonderland for a day.

Raelynn Kraayenfrink

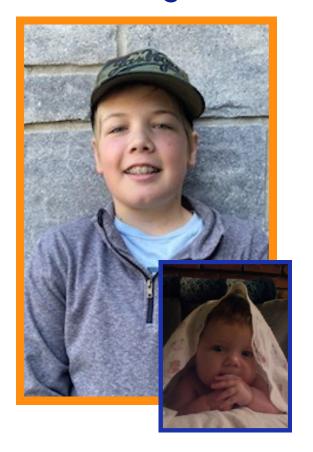
Favourite subject: Bible

Favourite Bible verse: John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten son that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life.

A memory that I will remember from WCS is from my first day of school. One of the students, Cindy, came up and gave me a great big hug which made me feel really welcomed.





Brody Fox Favourite subject: Art

Favourite Bible verse: John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

One thing I will take with me as I graduate is the experience of the grade % class going to Lakewood for a couple of days. We stayed up until around 2 am because we all had too much sugar and played pranks on each other all night.

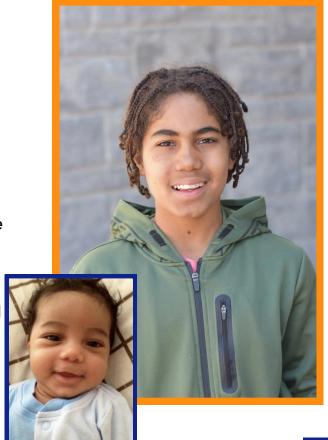
Malachi Owysu

Favourite subject: P. E., Math

Favourite Bible verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

I have appreciated that we can read the bible and pray everyday. I also appreciated that we could all gather together in the grade % class once a week and have full school devotions.



Thank you to re:find for a total of <u>\$200 000</u> donated to WCS over the 2024- 2025 school year!! Wow!



A re:find Reminder

Re:find Charity Thrift Shoppe was established in 2013. It began as a vision to help sustain Wallaceburg Christian School as well as support and bless the Wallaceburg Community. In return, the community



supports and blesses re:find with their generous donations. This has been even more present in the last couple of years. We are thrilled to be able to be a part of the growth and changes we see at WCS. We are so blessed.

Re:find is always looking for new volunteers to join our team. There are a number of areas you can help at the store; donate, spread the word about re:find and what we do, sort donations, check puzzles, share our social media posts, assist with pickups and deliveries, answer the donation door, put products on the store shelves, assist with cleaning, help with decorating, use unsalable product to make 'something new' that can be sold in store...If you feel the call to join our team, please come in and see us, even helping out for 4 hours on a Saturday would improve our profits.

Why Thrift?

It's affordable and eco-friendly.

It supports a good cause: re:find is operated by and supports the work of Wallaceburg Christian School. re:find also blesses a number of local charities in our community like Knox Presbyterian Soup Cellar of Wallaceburg, Habitat for Humanity Chatham-Kent, Dresden Food Bank and others.

Can I Volunteer? YES! Volunteers help with day-to-day operations. Volunteers are always welcome! Try it twice a month, once a week or every day. We are currently seeking volunteers to help with heavy lifting as well as pickups and deliveries. It's a wonderful way to meet new people, have fun, learn something new and support the community.

519.626.9814 "blessing the community in a green way"

What Can I donate?

Thank you for choosing the eco-friendly option of donating your surplus goods! We accept clothing and household items such as:

Antiques and collectibles Bedding and linens Books Clothing Footwear Furniture Hardware Home Décor Household Goods Jewelry Toys

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