Houston Christian School



# Branches a school to home newsletter May 3, 2024

## WHATS HAPPENING AT HCS?

May 9	Spirit Day - Crazy Hair Day
May 10 @ 7 pm ——————————————————————————————————	Capstone Presentations
May 16 ———————————————————————————————————	Grandparents Day
May 17	PD Day - No School
May 20	Victoria Day - No School



In the month of May, for every \$100 spent on Buy Low cards at the HCS office, the purchaser will receive a chance to win a \$100 Buy Low gift card. The draw for the gift card will take place on May 31.

Buy Low cards can be purchased at the office via cash, cheque, or etransfer to

groceries@houstonchristianschool.ca

### **BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS**

The HCS School Board is requesting suggestions for nominations for two openings on the Board. Serving the HCS community and the Lord in this way is an incredible blessing. If you know someone who would be a good fit for this rewarding opportunity in servant leadership, please refer them to Travis Metcalf (or another board member) by May 15.

"It is impossible for a Christian school to flourish without a high functioning, strategic, exceptional school board and leadership team supporting it."

Henry Contant, Former Executive Director of SCSBC

The Current HCS Board of Directors





# **HCS STORE IS OPEN**

The HCS store remains open, but only until May 6th. After that, it's closed until September. Now's the perfect chance to purchase any HCS clothing your child wants to wear for the start of the 2024/2025 school year, so make sure to place your orders before the deadline!

Click here to visit the HCS Store



Please don't forget to pay your sports fees. You can pay in person at the office using cash or cheque, or you can send an e-transfer to kim.vanb@houstonchristianschool.ca Be sure to include "basketball fees" in the memo.

#### **Basketball Fees**

Sr. Basketball \$150

Jr. Basketball \$100

**Grade 8** \$25







# VE-80 SYMBOLIC WALK HCS Europe Trip

In May 2025, an HCS delegation will join thousands of Canadian students and teachers on a Remembrance pilgrimage to Europe to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands. More than 7,600 Canadian soldiers lost their lives while liberating the Netherlands.

As part of the pre-trip curriculum, student participants will be paired with a Canadian soldier who perished during the liberation. They will be conducting research to learn more about this soldier's life, including any local connections. Our school delegation will be major WWI visiting and WWII Canadian cemeteries Europe, across as participating in a silent march through Bergen op Zoom - the first Dutch community liberated in the Netherlands.

As part of a national fundraising initiative, our school is set to participate in the VE-80 Symbolic Walk. This national kick-off event is scheduled for Saturday, May 4, 2024, almost exactly a year before our planned trip. During our VE-80 Symbolic Walk, we will walk for 2 hours as a symbol of the over 7,600 Canadian soldiers who lost their lives in the liberation of the Netherlands.

Should you be inclined to donate on the occasion of our Symbolic Walk, know that you will be helping VE-80 student participants raise the necessary funds to attend this historical, educational opportunity of a lifetime. Donations can be dropped off at the HCS office via cash or cheque or e-transferred to kim.vanb@houstonchristianschool.ca.

(Remember to put EUROPE in the memo.)

