

NCCI NEWS

NANCY CAMPBELL COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE NEWSLETTER

Winter 2010

Building a Great Education Together!



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A very special year is happening at NCCI and we are proud that our students of all ages and grade levels, diverse cultural backgrounds and varied faiths are developing their personal abilities and interests through the learning opportunities offered here each day. The unique education that we provide supports each student's potential to become a leader of tomorrow by practicing moral leadership today; in the school, the community and in their home communities around the world. It is through these opportunities that the staff and students of NCCI work collaboratively as partners in fulfilling the NCCI vision ... achieving academic excellence within a clear moral leadership framework.

Our service initiatives are a testament to the high moral standard that we strive for here at NCCI. It is through both student and staff commitment to action that we will realize our goal of service to humanity. Students have been involved in many initiatives, including fundraising for this year's service trip to Guyana where grade 11 students will participate in various service initiatives organized by School of the Nations, NCCI's sister school. The combined efforts of NCCI students and those at School of the Nations will undoubtedly prove that youth *can* move the world!

This year, NCCI has achieved its not for profit status, governed by a Board of Directors who have been working to re-structure the systems of the school to ensure a stable positive future. Friends of NCCI, its Board, clients and employees, can look forward to a future that includes strengthening our position in the community, increasing our building fund and focusing on capital expenditures in Technology and Specialized Program expansion. More than ever we are counting on the support and encouragement of parents, staff, students and friends to help us achieve our goals. We welcome parent and other interested volunteers to assist our efforts; please call Caitlyn Clarkson to offer your services and hours of availability! (519 641 6224 X 504)

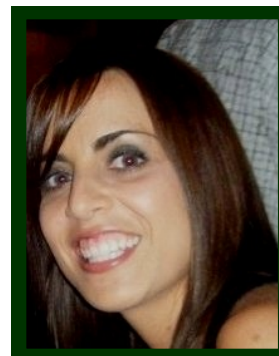
Join us any day to experience the Nancy Campbell difference; a supportive & encouraging school community that is committed to sharing, respect and a belief in the innate nobility of each individual.

Ms. Cora McNamara

NCCI IS PROUD TO WELCOME THE NEWSEST MEMBERS OF OUR TEAM

Each year brings us new opportunities for growth and change and we welcome it with open arms, just as we welcome new staff, students and their families to the school. This year we welcome Mr. William Neal to the position of Vice Principal, a capable leader and motivated educator who will certainly enrich all of our experiences at NCCI. In addition, we are happy to welcome Mr. Daniel Strutt, Ms. Sandra Ventura and Ms. Kate O'Donnell to our team.

Dan Strutt has been a diverse educator for 12 years. He has spent time working with preschool children through Ontario Early Years Centres, with elementary and high school students in England and in Zambia, and with teachers as an Advisory Teacher in Namibia. He is delighted to be continue his educational journey at NCCI.



We would also like to introduce Ms. Sandra Ventura to our teaching staff. She is our new Preschool Teacher who is an E.C.E. graduate from Lambton College in Sarnia. We are pleased that she has come to join us at Nancy Campbell and we are sure that she will become an important asset to the Early Years Program.

We would also like to welcome Ms. Kate O'Donnell, the new assistant to the Principal. Ms. O'Donnell has recently returned to London from the East Coast after completing her second Bachelor's degree in biology. A proud alumnae of NCCI, she is excited to be a part of the school's administrative team and proud to have the opportunity to contribute to the development of the school.



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NCCI *Creativity*

ACCEPTING DIFFERENCES

You And Me, We

You Are Black, I Am White
You Have Blue Eyes, I Have Brown Eyes
You Use Fork, I Use Chopsticks
Your Breakfast Is Bread, My Breakfast Is Rice
However, You And Me, We
We Are One

You Have Long Hair, I Have Short Hair
You Wear Skirt, I Wear Pants
You Have High Tone, I Have Low Tone
You Can Have A Baby, I Can't Have A Baby
However, You And Me, We
We Are One

You Agree, I Disagree
You Want To Buy Plate, I Want To Buy Tv
You Are Jew, I Am Baha'i
Your Hobby Is Cooking, My Hobby Is Eating
However, You And Me, We
We Are One

By Yifan, Haneol, Hyeseon

A Journey to Freedom

Never lose your hope
Freedom is coming
With the magic songs
You'll find your way to happiness and peace
Don't worry with the troubles
That you can find
There's always someone with you
In the darkened tunnel
Murkiness will kill brightness.
Darkness is brightness's grave
But if our hearts have hope
The hope like an arrow
Will break the dark world
And help us to attain freedom.

By Marina, Estephany, Wang Cheng

HAUNTED HAYRIDE

With many rehearsals at NCCI and tremendous dedication the Young Bohemians put on a spectacularly spooky show at Fanshawe Pioneer Village titled: A Woman Scorned: The True Story of Phoebe Campbell, a play by Jason Rip.

Founded by Dave Conron, the Young Bohemians are a group that celebrates life and all its beauty while focusing on a sense of purpose and understanding through the development of artistic gifts and the appreciation that art lives in all of us.

For more information about the Young Bohemians, please visit their website at www.youngbohemians.com or call 519-660-1360



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Learning & Excellence

OTTAWA TRIP

This year's Ottawa trip was a fantastic excursion. The students had the opportunity to visit the Parliament building, the supreme court of justice, Rideau hall and multiple museums. Along with the educational aspect, they also had a chance to have fun.



The hotel included a large wave pool which the students thoroughly enjoyed each night before lights out. As well, they had the chance to visit the Lafleche Caves in Quebec, some of the oldest in Canada, and enjoyed zip-lining from tree to tree on an aerial obstacle course. Each night they enjoyed all you can eat buffets and on the final night they chased each other around at the Ottawa Laser quest.

Our final stop was the museum of Civilization where we had a visit from Ms. Ghadirian and watched a huge IMAX film on the African safari. The ride home was quiet but on schedule and everyone returned tired but happy.



NCCI STUDENT WINS MILLENIUM SCHOLARSHIP

Nancy Campbell Collegiate Institute (NCCI) student, Miss Nikhita Singh, was awarded the prestigious \$25,000 Millennium Scholarship. Millennium Scholarships are awarded based on a student's academic performance and community contributions. This year there were 10,000 applicants for the Millennium Scholarships. This Federal Government award was presented to Miss Singh by Mr. Glen Pearson, Member of Parliament, London North Centre, at the London Convention Centre.



When asked about winning the Millennium Scholarship, Nikhita said, "The award is more about what you do in the community. Judges look at the individual and how they fit into the community. Nancy Campbell has really helped me to become service focused."

The scholarship provides winners with \$5,000 towards all four years of university, and another \$5,000 to do community work, during or following university. Nikhita said, "I am hoping to do international volunteering soon, and considering a number of options."

Upon Graduation from NCCI, Nikhita was accepted to enter the University of Toronto's Engineering Science program. "I loved my experience at NCCI; it is so different from other schools. They have a strong academic focus and make you feel like you are part of a family. I will never forget my Nancy Campbell experience!"

John Pammer

Guyana Service Trip

The Grade 11 class is to participate in a two week service trip to Guyana in late March, 2010. The group of about 10 to 15 grade 11 students plans to participate in various service initiatives organized by School of the Nations, NCCI's sister school.

One of the key activities will centre around "Youth Can Move the World," a highly successful social and economic development project sponsored by the Varqa Foundation. NCCI students will work with the project's participants in three locations around the country, offering assistance and collaboration with academics, arts and community service.

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LET US HEAR FROM YOU!

As you know, people move and change email addresses quite often. If you have not received an email or mailing from NCCI in the last six months, it means that we have old contact information for you.

We are currently updating our database in an effort to reduce the amount of printed materials we send out each year. In order to help us "green" our efforts and to keep you updated with NCCI news and invitations please send us your current contact information via email to cclarkson@nancycampbell.net or call our development office for more information at 519-641-6224 ext. 504.

MS READ-A-THON

Once again the students of NCCI will participate in the annual MS Read-A-Thon Fundraiser. This program is run by the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada which promotes reading and literacy for all children. Last year, almost 40,000 students read more than a million books through the Read-A-Thon. They raised \$1.7-million in support of the MS Society's work to fund multiple sclerosis research and provide education and aid to those with the disease, their families and caregivers.

The Read-A-Thon begins January 18th with a representative from the MS Society addressing the students at a kick-off assembly and each student at NCCI is encouraged participate by reading for as many minutes as possible while gathering sponsorship pledges from family and friends.

Let's beat last year's record, and raise over \$1000.00 for this worthy cause!

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Youth Can Move the World

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY 2010

February 15th Family Day School & Daycare Closed

February 23rd Crunch Day Grades 9 - 12

MARCH 2010

March 1st Student Reflection Assembly

March 3rd Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
Grades SK - 8

March 6th Residences Close @ 12noon

March 8th Spring Break School Closed 1 – 12
DAYCARE –SK OPEN to March 19th

March 20th Residences Open @ 4pm

March 22nd All Classes Resume

APRIL 2010

April 2nd Good Friday - School & Daycare Closed

April 5th Easter Monday-School & Daycare Closed

April 17th Open House 1-3 pm & Spring Festival 7pm

April 21st Baha'i Holy Day No Classes Gr. 7-12
Activity Day Gr. 1-6

April 29th Baha'i Holy Day No Classes Gr. 7-12
Activity Day Gr. 1-6



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