

New \$6 million Christian elementary school opens its doors



After over 10 years of fundraising, 15 months of construction and literally thousands of volunteer hours, King Christian School (formerly known as HMDCS) has opened its doors to students and faculty at 19740 Bathurst St.

The official ribbon cutting took place the evening of Sept. 2, followed by a school opening presentation in the gym. Students, staff, families, and alumni enjoyed a BBQ prior to the ribbon cutting.

During the last 15 years, King Christian School had experienced some challenges with its previous facility. Roof leaks, outdated classrooms and a low ceiling gymnasium to name a few.

"We educated thousands of kids over the years in the original facility which first opened its door in 1943. It was time to start planning for the generations to come and it became apparent that we would have to build something new in order to live up to our mission to provide a 21st century learning environment," said Sherry Bokma, principal.

King Christian School has an exciting new location along Bathurst Street, which is currently under major construction and expansion.

"The new location significantly increases the visibility and access, which the board and membership felt was one of the important factors in achieving growth," said Mathew Santorelli, board chair.

Classes resumed Sept. 8, but they are still accepting admissions.

King Christian School is a Christian elementary school (Grades JK-8) serving the Aurora, Bradford, Newmarket, Schomberg, and surrounding communities. Their purpose is to provide a quality Christ-centred education wherein each student may grow in grace, wisdom, knowledge and wonder and so be enabled to responsibly serve God and others in all areas of life. Their mission is to work together as staff, students, and supporting community to provide a Christ-centred education in an interdenominational membership run school.

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