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CANADIAN REFORMED TEACHERS COLLEGE

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"...tell the next generation..." PSALM 78:4

from the PRINCIPAL CHRISTINE VAN HALEN-FABER

As the temperatures are dropping gradually, we know that the Fall semester is drawing to a close.

All students have successfully completed their first-for-the-year practice teaching session. We thank schools in Ontario and Alberta for opening their classroom doors. We pray that this experience was a positive one for the teacher candidates, the associate teachers, and the students.

As the semester draws to a close, some busy weeks are ahead: Finishing courses, finalizing papers and major assignments, and preparing, writing, and grading exams.

We thank Mme Teresa Boisvert for the innovative ways in which she taught the French Methods course using the Accelerative Integrated Methodology (AIM) featuring story-telling, gestures, active collaboration, and repetition. Again we thank Mrs. Kim Harsevoort and the Gr. 4 and 7 classes at Timothy Christian School for letting our students participate in their

AIM French program on a weekly basis. We also thank Ms. Cobie Van Eerden for sharing her excitement of teaching Visual Arts.

Looking ahead at January, we hope to welcome Dr. Ben Faber and Mrs. Stephanie Sikma. Both will be teaching English Literature courses. We welcome back Rev. Douwe Agema and Miss Judy Kingma.

May our God continue to bless the work of our hands so it may stand to his glory (Ps. 90).



update ON CCRTC's apple trees

Visitors to the college often spend time looking at the apple trees painted on a wall in the student lounge. The trees are full of apples, each one bearing the name and year of graduation of an

alumna/alumnus of CCRTC - for a total of 249. Over the course of the summer, the two trees were transformed into a full mural to the delight of us all. Thank you, Megan Heemskerck and friends, for adding your artistic touch to our beloved trees!

THINKING ABOUT STUDYING AT CCRTC?

Contact us as soon as possible. 2018-2019 applications are due **FEBRUARY 1, 2018**

visual arts at CCRTC CHRISTINE VAN HALEN-FABER

Methodology courses in Visual Arts, Music, and Physical Education are offered in a three-year rotating cycle. This year it is all about the Visual Arts! Under the capable, artistic, and creative guidance of Ms. Cobie Van Eerden, students become acquainted with the language of art as they explore art in its variety of forms, and investigate a wide variety of

materials and equipment. Combining art and technology is proving to be a good mix. The Google Classroom platform and the interactive environment it offers allows students to share and collect hundreds of art ideas and examples. In short, there is no doubt that Visual Arts at CCRTC meets its aim: to equip teacher candidates with the knowledge and skills to teach art with confidence and imagination, fostering in their students a greater appreciation for the aesthetic dimensions of God's creation.



treasurer's report NATHAN HELDER

As we approach the end of the calendar year we can pause and reflect with thankfulness on the blessings the LORD has bestowed on CCRTC over the past year. We were able to complete our 2016/17 fiscal year with a positive balance and also complete a successful campaign to raise the necessary funding for the accreditation application. We met the needs of our core vision, education for future Reformed teachers, and also the needs of our accreditation application. Praise the LORD. These are also important for the accreditation process as this shows to government officials that CCRTC has the financial capability to continue to perform into the future. As we are nearing the year end we ask that you also continue to remember CCRTC in your giving so that this positive momentum may continue. It is truly a blessing that we do not take for granted. As we head into 2018, CCRTC thanks the membership for its continued financial support and also wishes everyone the LORD's continued blessing.

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