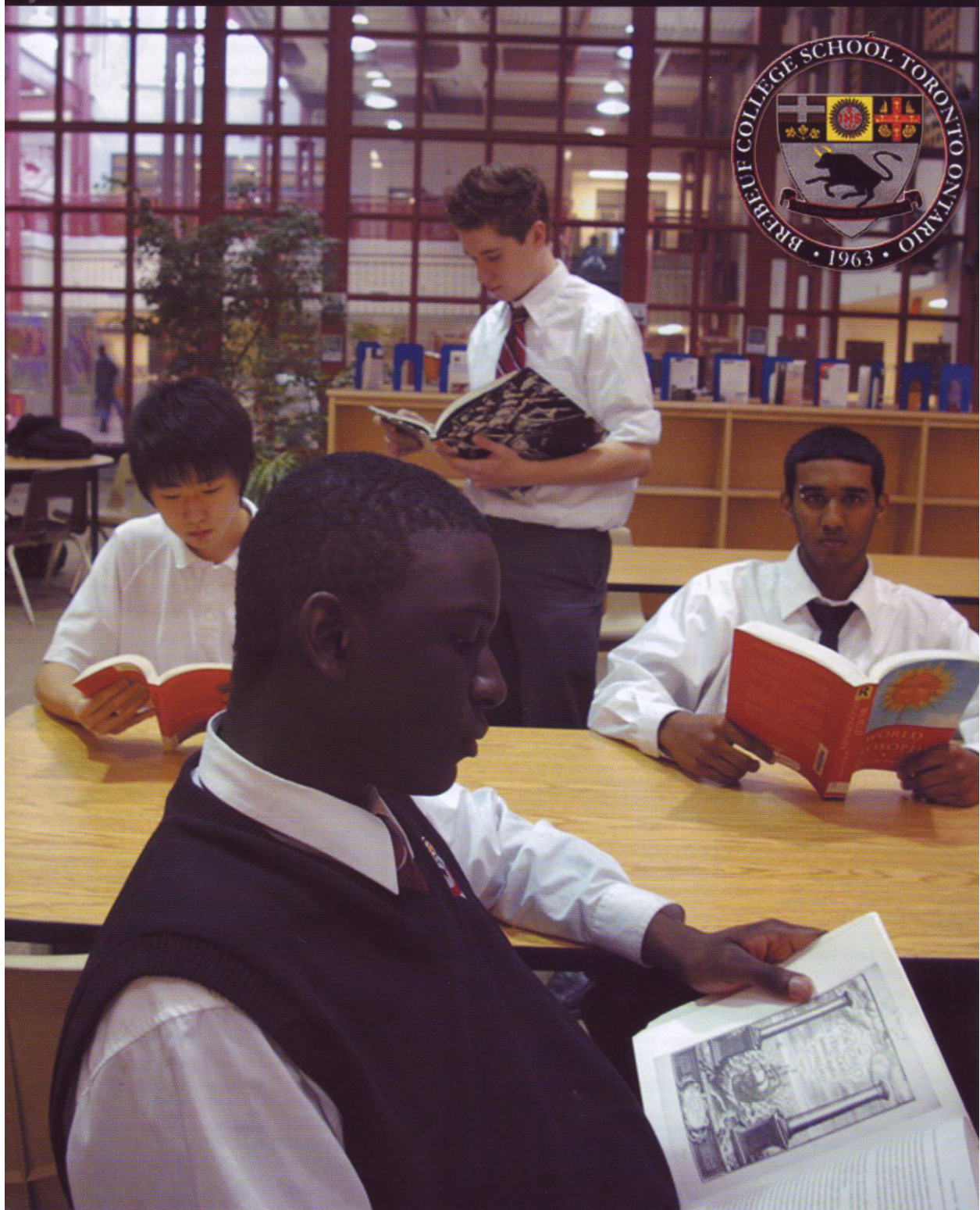


Brebeuf Relations 2006-2007





A Message from Our Principal



One afternoon, about two weeks ago, after a gloomy morning, a beautiful rainbow arched over our school. As I admired its brilliant colours, I thought, this augers well...and certainly, the 2006-2007 school year has begun with much promise for the Brebeuf College School community.

As the pages of this edition of the Brebeuf Relations will attest, the enthusiasm, energies, imagination, and dedication of our staff, students, parents, and alumni are channelled into fulfilling the mission of educating young men to their full potential in the Brebeuf ethos of "Men for Others".

On opening day we welcomed two hundred and seventy-five grade nine students and over seven hundred returning students, bringing our student population to over a thousand, the largest in the last four years. Brebeuf students showed leadership by assisting in a special opening day orientation for grade nine students which afford them time to meet new friends, acquaint themselves with teachers and support staff, and familiarize themselves with the new building. Later in September, student leaders under the direction of staff, ran a three-day orientation camp at Muskoka Woods which would strengthen those friendships, acquaint students with the proud Brebeuf tradition of academic, moral, and athletic excellence, and further ease the transition into high school.

Among the many community building initiatives at Brebeuf, two are particularly worthy of mention. In September we saw the return of the Communion Breakfast, the revival of a Brebeuf tradition which brought together three pillars of Catholic Education: family, faith, and school. Our celebrant was Father Winston Rye, a Jesuit and former Brebeuf principal who along with Father Len Altília, and Jesuit Scholastic, Sean Moore is a steadfast supporter of Brebeuf's many community and spiritual development projects. In early November, students belonging to the Empowered Student Partnership team presented an anti-bullying workshop for the entire student body in order to sensitize students to issues of bullying.

As we look ahead, Brebeuf staff and students will continue to exploit their energies, talents, and creativity in the classroom and beyond in a variety of ways. This month, in the spirit of generosity, Club Brebeuf, an evening of musical performances in a club atmosphere, will generate a substantial donation to the Children's Wish Foundation. In December, the Brebeuf Social Justice Symposium, an annual student-run event involving students and teachers from the greater TCDSB community, will explore issues related to terrorism and faith. This year Brebeuf will host the Social Justice Symposium on the campus of the University of St. Michael's College. In February, staff and students will present Every Body Is a Somebody. Written by Brebeuf Teachers Mr. Paul Adams and Mr. John A. MacDonald, this musical explores issues of teenage self-image. With the approach of Christmas, Brebeuf students will be gearing up for CAN AID, the annual Christmas food drive. One could go on and on. These are but a few examples of how Brebeuf students and staff, with the support of parents and alumni, strive to earn merit through study not for themselves alone but for the service of others.

Nick D'Avella
Principal, Brebeuf College School

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Gifted and Enrichment Programme

Article by Mr. Da Costa '93



“ Education is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a fire. ”

- W. B. Yeats

Welcome to the Brebeuf Gifted and Enrichment Programme! We are happy to be able to offer you an enriched educational experience.

Brebeuf College School was founded by the Jesuits in 1963 to offer a superior education in the liberal arts and Catholic traditions, and to make leaders and “men for others”. Brebeuf College School remains committed to these goals and the Brebeuf Gifted and Enrichment Programme is an integral part of that mission. Our motto remains *Studio Gradum Faciant* - “To win merit through study”.

Our programme is not just for students who have been formally identified through an IPRC as gifted. It is an exciting opportunity and means of preparing for the future and to make the most of high school with fellow students who share a thirst for knowledge, challenge, academics, involvement, and fun!

The Gifted and Enrichment Programme is a two-pronged approach to a fully rounded student: the Academic Track, which consists of credit earning opportunities and programme modifications; and Enrichment Activities, which consist of a variety of challenging and high interest voluntary activities.

CREDIT EARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- * *Course Accommodations*: Gifted students can have courses changed in consultation with teachers and parents to allow for more challenging and interesting material.
- * *Independent Study*: Students may take courses not offered at Brebeuf through the Independent Learning Centre.
- * *International Exchanges*: These are available during summers and the school year in France, Italy, Ireland, Scotland, England, and many other countries.
- * *Advanced Placement Exams*: AP Exams allow students to work at a University level while still in high school. Students who earn qualifying grades on AP Exams are then given credits or advanced placement at thousands of universities worldwide.
- * *Enriched (AP and Pre-AP) Courses*: These are available for Grades 10, 11, and 12 in English, math, history, and science. These courses offer a more rigorous programme than Academic courses and will prepare students to write AP exams in those subjects. Only students with 80% in the prerequisite course may enroll in Enriched courses.
- * *PLAR (Prior Learning Assessment)*: Students can earn credits if they can show that they have mastered the material for a course through previous learning.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

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| * Debating Society (extramural and intramural) | * Brebeuf Social Justice Symposium |
| * C.S.U.N.A. (Model U.N.) | * E=MC2 at Queen's University, Kingston |
| * Robotics | * Reach for the Top (intramural and extramural) |
| * Destination Imagination challenge | * Renaissance Distinction (for academic and extracurricular success and involvement) |
| * The B (newspaper) | * Project Bass (student art show) |
| * Triple Bronze (Grade 12 poetry anthology) | * Amnesty International |
| * Synergy (literary magazine) | * Canadian Club Luncheons |
| * Public Speaking contest (annual) | * Brebeuf Book Club (B.B.C.) |
| * Bishop Allen Public Speaking Contest | * Stratford Festival |
| * Guest Speakers Series | * Math Club |
| * Crystal Chem | * And More! |
| * Science Olympics | |

GIFTED AND ENRICHMENT CENTRE

The Centre is located in the Library in Room 112B. Here students can find computers and internet access, information on enrichment activities and credit options, help with course modifications, and fellowship with other academic peers.

The Centre is generally open Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 8:30, during Periods 1, 2 and 3, and after school.

Brebeuf Reads!

Article by Mrs. Martin

As our grade 10 students wrote the EQAO Literacy test on March 29, 2006, the grade nine students were officially introduced to a new initiative called "Brebeuf Reads!" - A Brebeuf College School Reading Forum and Mentorship Program.

Sponsored by the Ministry of Education to the tune of \$20, 000, Brebeuf Reads! aims to foster and improve literacy skills in grade nine students at Brebeuf College School. By sharing their reading experiences electronically, the grade 9 boys will be encouraged to expand the range and purpose of their reading.

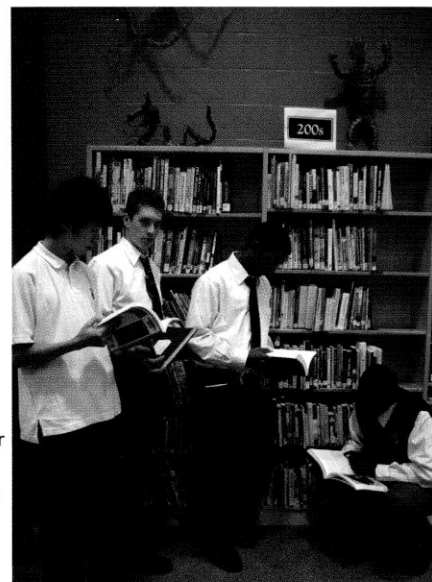
In collaboration with OISE/UT Teacher Candidates in an Intermediate/Senior English course, teachers at Brebeuf are exploring unique ways to build a school-wide focus for better reading in less formal atmosphere.

READING FORUM IN OPERATION

Grade 9 students at Brebeuf and Teacher Candidates in an I/S English course at OISE/UT have been "enrolled" in a common eClass Reading Forum. By the means of asynchronous, threaded discussions, weblinks and other online resources, students, teachers and Teacher Candidates alike will be able to review and comment upon a variety of reading materials.

Indeed, all students are encouraged to get involved and to get reading - "Just for the fun of it!"

To date, the majority of funds have been spent on acquiring a variety of resources that came from student suggestions. So ... what are the boys reading? The most popular titles are manga (Japanese comics that read from back to front), followed closely by graphic novels and series, science-fiction and fantasy books. In addition to this, money was spent on magazine subscriptions (everything from sports to science to automobiles) and expanding our literature collection by adding the works of contemporary authors. To follow the adage from Shoeless Joe, "If you build it, they will come," our students have shown that "If you buy it, they will read." As a result of the influx of new titles, book circulation activity has quadrupled in the last few months, and the library has become a frenetic hub of activity before school and at lunch time.



Empowered Student Partnership

Article by Ronald Victorino

Imagine waking up every morning knowing that you will not be able to eat lunch because of a bully taking lunch money from you. Picture yourself going through the day trying to hide from someone, in fear of what horrible things he or she may do to you. Now imagine this individual being your best friend and you waking up next morning to hear that he/she just committed suicide. Or maybe even picture this student to be your child, and waking up to a suicide note taped to your door.

Things like violence, suicide, and extortion should not be something a student has to grow up with. This is what E.S.P is about. The Empowered Student Partnership helps to create a safer school community so students do not have to worry about issues like bullying. E.S.P. is backed by numerous organization which include:

- * the Toronto District and Catholic School Boards
- * Conseil scolaire public de district du Centre-Sud-Ouest
- * Conseil scolaire de district Catholique Centre-Sud

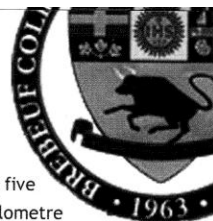
- * City of Toronto
- * ProAction
- * Canadian Safe School Network

E.S.P. consists of students from schools around the city and are committed and determined to identify and resolve specific safety concerns within their school and surrounding communities. It enables students to interact with fellow peers, creating a friendly atmosphere in which the issues at hand can be more comfortably assessed. E.S.P. continuously strives to build and strengthen not only the community, but the students themselves. The interaction helps form leadership, communication and problem solving skills along with a stronger sense of confidence and respect for themselves and others.

For more information about E.S.P please see a member or Ms. DiPaolo in the Guidance Office or contact her at (416) 393-5508. Remember, you're not in it alone.

Cross Country, Meet Brebeuf

Article by Dennis Lee



On day two of this new school year, the Brebeuf Cross-Country team started its rigorous training regiment, practising five to six times a week as a team and an extra day by themselves. The team trained on several terrains, from running one kilometre laps around the perimeter of the school, to practising in Lillian Park, G. Lord Ross Park, Earl Bales Park and pounding the pavement in a more arduous route that ranged from 5-12 km in the neighbourhood. In addition to running, athletes received core training and strength training. Athletes had the support and guidance of two coaches this year, Mr. Guy and Mr. Margou.

In previous years, cross-country has been dominated by schools in Toronto such as Birchmount Park, Northern, Etobicoke, and Leaside, and in our board, by schools such as Michael Power, Cardinal Newman, and Neil McNeil. This year, especially in the junior division, Brebeuf has proven the potential to run, as a team, in competition with the top three teams of our board, although Birchmount Park seems to be sitting a little further from our reach.



The Cross-Country team participated in meets this year. The first meet was held at Etobicoke Centennial Park -- The Joe Sax Memorial Cross-Country Meet -- and was undoubtedly the largest competition with over 1200 runners in the male divisions. Our second meet was held at Boyd Conservation Area: The Cardinal Carter Invitational Meet. Our third and favourite meet was The Toronto Beaches Nike Board walk Relay. This meet consisted of a team of four runners who each ran 3km and tagged the next runner. Brebeuf entered three teams and the first Brebeuf team was behind the first place Track&Field/Cross-Country powerhouse Birchmount Park by 6:37. The fourth, final, and most notable meet was the T.D.C.A.A. Championships held at Boyd Conservation Area. The Midget Boy's 5km Event gave Brebeuf a good start by an 8th place finish by Daniel Seddon. The Junior Boy's 6km Event brought pride

into the runners of Brebeuf as there was a 1st place finish by Adam Silva bringing back a gold medal, a 2nd place finish by Roman Izquierdo bringing back a silver medal, and an overall 3rd place finish by our grade ten team bringing home bronze medals, which also included Muchi Zhu and Dennis Lee. As the final race of the day, the Senior Boys' 7km Event, we saw another spectacular top 10 finish as Beau Mondesir came across the finish at 6th place in an age group where most of the other runners in front of him were one or two years older than him.

Cross-Country is a terrific but demanding sport and also requires year round training. Many of our Cross-Country runners look ahead to Track in the spring & summer and hopefully achieve just as much if not more, by means of intense training throughout the winter. After the Track season, our team will jump right back into the Cross-Country season and hope for another outstanding season. On behalf of the Cross-Country team here at Brebeuf, I would like to thank Mr. Guy and Mr. Margou for their commitment to our team and efficient planning for very specific practices which maximized our potential.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM ROSTER 2006-2007

* Maalouf, George - Grade 9

* Mieta, Robert - Grade 9

* Seddon, Daniel - Grade 9

* Izquierdo, Roman - Grade 10

* Lee, Dennis - Grade 10

* Adam Silva - Grade 10

* Aziz, Esho - Grade 11

* Gillett, Kevin - Grade 12

* Jajalla, Deon - Grade 12

* Kenny, Trevor - Grade 12

* McDermott, Dennis - Grade 11

* Mondesir, Beau - Grade 11

Honour Roll List 2005-2006

The Honour Roll recognizes students who have achieved an overall average of 80% with no marks below 60%.

They are positive witnesses to our school motto - "Studio Gradum Faciant."



GRADE NINE	Pereira, Douglas	Dimas, Nicholas	Wong, Gabriel	Missiha, Matthew
Barounian, Hagop	Perera, Stefan	Djajadikarta, Ronald	Yoon, David	Ngan, Calvin
Carreno, Edison	Puckett, Christopher	Dzelme, Devin	Yu, Michael	Oh, Edward
Cerre, William	Rotta-Loria, Nicholas	Ediju, Narbeh		O'Loughnan, Kyle
Chan, Kenneth	Sequeira, Joshua	Evangelista, Josh	GRADE ELEVEN	Ombico, Fredrich
Chang, Brandon	Serrao, Clive	Fonseca, Ciaren	Alksnis, Daniel	Philip Joseph, Koby
Charles, John	Pelech, Christopher	Geronimo, Alexander	Almeida, Ryan	Presvelos, John
Cheng, Carter	Silva, Adam	Gonazles, Khaalid	Aranjo, David	Prete, Michael
Chin, Brandon	Sirbu, Edwin	Han, Jeremy	Boyden, Zachary	Quaasalmay, Nikolas
Chiu, Kevin	Siu, Aaron	Ho, Darren	Campione, Anthony	Tanudjaya, Alvin
Chu, Daniel	Susanto, Steven	Hsu, Mark	Cassar, Matthew	Tavernese, Marc Thomas
Clermont, Addison	Tobin, James	Kim, Harry	Casciaro, Joseph	Tobin, Brent
Costa, James	Valdes, Victor	Kim, Ki-Beom Daniel	Chan, Brendon	Uy, Paolo
Craig, Adam	Whitfield, Matthew	Krebs, Peter	Chang, John	Victorino, Ronald
D'Ambrosio, Renato	Wong, Jeffrey	Kwong, Jonathan	Cheng, Eric	Wan, Ronny
Forster, Graham	Wong, Raphael	Lai, Lok Tin Francis	Chilton, Andrew	Wenzel, Stephen
Gredicak, Anthony	Yang, Jason	Li Cheong Man, Mitchell	Chiu, Ronny	Wong, Denis
Hawkshaw, Kevin	Yee, Steven	Li, Gabriel	Choi, Joey	Wong, Edmund
Hills, Robert	Yeung, Jonathan	Liu, Simon	Chung, Patrick	Wong, Marc
Hofmann, Adrian	Yim, Jonathan	Loong, Matthew	Cook, Andrew	Yoon, Soon-Gun
Huynh, Huy	Yip, Daniel	Lui, Shu Kwun	Damiani, David	Yu, Simon
Kim, Michael	Zhu, Benty	Luu, Philip	DeVera, Ian	
Kim, Seung Whan		Mak, Michael	Doidge, Matthew	
Kmiec, Jan	GRADE TEN	Milligan, Clarence	D'Silva, Joshua	
Kontogiannis, Constantine	Antan Jebanayakam, Amal	Motica, Marc	D'Souza, Luke	
Lau, Cuyler	Delton	Pinto, Hanzel	Gillett, Kevin	
Lee, Dennis	Au Yeung, Matthew	Pinto, Ryan	Gomez, Daniel	
Lee, Philip	Au, Howard	Poon, Andre	Hanna, Kiroloss	
Leung, Christopher	Bachiller, Andrew	Potnuru, Paul	Harewood, Jourdan	
Lin, Christian	Baptista, Mason	Rasquinha, Rommel	Hejazi, Sam	
Lui, Shu Pui	Barbur, Adrian	Rassos, Evan	Ho, Andrew	
MacColl, Kevin	Battaglia, Brian	Rassos, James	Im, Anthony	
MacDonald, Blair	Belderian, Askan	Rivera, Jordan	Jajalla, Deon	
Mak, Victor	Canagasuriam, Naveenan	Rosso, Domenico	Kan, Vincent	
Mardirossian, Daron	Carlascio, Michael	Seddon, Matthew	Kim, Craig	
Martin, Jeffrey	Chen, Andrew	Shiu, Eddie	Ko, Manfred	
Martınca, Adrian	Cheng, Jason	Song, David Paul	Ku, Kevin	
Matoosian, Armen	Chou, Joshua	Sutton, Mitchell	Kuniyoshi, Yoshio	
Miasako, Martin	Ciceu, Alexandru	Todd, Richard	Kwak, Stephen	
Nada, Dennis Roel	Coutu, Sherwin	Tsang, Wilson	Lau, Matthew	
Nandakumar, Harrish	Cribari, Matthew	Vethanayagam, Brian	Lee, Dong Yeoul	
O'Neill, Elliott	Cusimano, Robert	Vettese, Christopher	Lee, Wilson	
Pablo, Mark	D'Ambra, Andrew	Vettese, Michael	Leung, Keith	
Palmucci, Simon	D'Ambra, Anthony	Wei, Jeremy	Liu, Corey	
Park, Kwon-Soo Kevin	Diaz, Kyle Anthony	William, Adrian	Lo, Justin	



Co-Curricular Activities 2006-2007

Advanced Placement	Mr. Da Costa	Jazz Combo (Jr)	Mr. Adams
Alumni Association Liaison	Mr. Da Costa	Jazz Combo (Sr)	Mr. Adams
Anime Club	Mr. Lamb	Journalism Conference	Mr. Da Costa
Art Club	Ms. Pieroni	Les Donnes	Brother Spencer
Badminton Club	Mr. Margou, Mr. Marinic	Library Crew	Ms. Martin
Baseball (Senior)	Mr. Sedran, Mr. Solariski	Math Club	Mr. Daoust
Basketball (Jr)	Mr. De Thomas	Mock Trial	Mr. Margou, Mr. Jackson
Basketball (Sr)	Mr. Guy	Paraliturgies	Brother Spencer, Mr. DeMiglio
Black History Month	Mr. Margou	Public Speaking Contests	Mr. Da Costa
Book Club	Mr. Da Costa	Reach for the Top	Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jenkins
Brebeuf College Varsity Indoor Soccer	Mr. Sabatini, Mr. Aquino	Robotics Club	Mr. Marozzo
Brebeuf Math Olympics	Mr. Daoust	Rugby (JR)	Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jenkins
BNN (Brebeuf News Network)	Mr. Macdonald	Rugby (SR)	Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jenkins
Brebeuf Social Justice Symposium	Mr. Da Costa, Ms. Loranger, Mr. Chin You, Mr. Di Mauro	Salesian Leadership	Mr. Gregoris, Mr. Jenkins
Bull Pen Weightroom Club	Mr. DiFonzo, Mr. Sabatini	Sears Festival	Mr. Cavaiola, Ms. Sego
Calculus Club	Mr. Sturino	Ski Trip	Mr. DeMiglio
Camp Muskoka Orientation	Mr. Macdonald	Soccer (Jr.)	Mr. Sabatini, Mr. Aquino, Mr. D'Angelo
Canadian Geography Challenge	Mr. Jackson, Mr. Marinic	Soccer (Sr.)	Mr. Sabatini, Mr. Aquino, Mr. D'Angelo
Canadian Natl. Math League	Mr. Daoust	Soccer (Indoor)	Mr. Sabatini, Mr. Aquino
CAN-AID	Mr. Rogers	Soccer (Intramural)	Mr. Jenkins
Chess Club	Mr. Lamb	Stage Band	Mr. Adams
Chinese Students' Association	Mr. Lamb	STARS (Students & Teachers Against Sexism & Racism Society)	Mrs. Pieroni
Classroom Tournaments	Mr. Margou	Student Council	Mr. Naccarato, Mr. Da Costa
Communion Breakfast	Ms. Martin, Mr. Da Costa	Synergy Literary Magazine	Mr. Da Costa
Concert Band (Jr)	Mr. Butash	Swim Team	Ms. Lee, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Vritsios
Concert Band (Sr)	Mr. Butash	Table Tennis Team	Mr. Margou, Mr. Marinic
Conflict Mediation	Ms. DiPaolo	Tennis Team	Mr. Lena
Cross Country Team	Mr. Guy, Mr. Margou	The B Newspaper	Ms. Martin, Mr. Da Costa
Crystal Chemistry	Mr. Krevs	Theatre Brebeuf	Mr. Cavaiola, Ms. Johnston, Ms. Domingues, Mr. Adams, Mrs. Risi, Mr. R. Sabtini
C.S.U.N.A. Model U.N.	Mr. Da Costa, Mr. Martinez	Track & Field	Mr. Margou, Mr. Guy, Mr. Marinic
Curling	Mrs. Lavery	Triple Bronze Poetry	Mr. Da Costa
Debating Society	Mr. Da Costa	Twenty-Four Hour Famine	Mr. Rogers
Destination Imagination	Ms. Rasciauskas	U of T Mentorships	Mr. Da Costa
Diplomacy Club	Mr. Lamb	VICS (Volunteer International Christian Service)	Ms. Pieroni
Duke of Edinburgh Awards	Mr. Da Costa	Volleyball (Jr.)	Mr. DeMiglio
Echon Yearbook	Mr. Macdonald	Volleyball (Sr.)	Mr. DiFonzo
Empower Student Partnerships	Ms. DiPaolo	Waterloo Math Contests	Mr. Daoust
First Friday Collections	Mr. Da Costa, Brother Spencer	Weight and Fitness Club	Mr. DiFonzo, Mr. Guy
Games and Hobbies Club	Mr. Lamb		
Golf Team	Mr. Ryan		
Gospel Singers	Mr. DeMiglio		
Graduation Formal	Mr. A. Sabatini, Mr. Aquino, Mr. D'angelo		
Great Cdn. Geo. Challenge	Mr. Marinic		
Hockey (Jr)	Mr. Marozzo		
Hockey (Sr)	Mr. Chin You, Mr. Di Mauro		
In The Drivers' Seat	Ms. DiPaolo		
Italian Club	Mr. Loconte, Ms. Sego		



Alumni Connection

Article by Mr. Da Costa '92

"To those to whom much is given, much is expected." The former students of Brebeuf continue to be an important constituency within our school and give back to the community in a number of ways.

Staff: Over 20% of our faculty are alumni, and along with all other teachers, help to keep Brebeuf traditions and excellence alive. These are: Michael Daoust '67, Paul Adams '71, Mike Rogers '81, John Murphy '81, John Macdonald '82, Eric Guy '82, Michael Da Costa '92, Mike Aquino '93, Alex Sabatini '93, Brad Chin You '98, Nick Galatianos '00.

Athletic Support: Three alumni help to coach some of our sports teams, including: Ascot Waithe '91 (basketball), Raymond Lai '04 (volleyball), and George Azar '92 (rugby).

Futures Foundation: Alumni and friends raised a considerable amount of money to assist the school in its mission of education students to be: men for others" and well-rounded academically, physically, spiritually and socially. Some of our projects funded to date include:

- * *Alumni Athletic Centre acquired \$26,000 in new equipment and expanded spaces for teams and physical education classes.*
- * *History boards highlight the school's first forty years, including: Student Council Presidents, Jesuits and Presentation Brothers, Faculty, Parental Committees, Larry Uteck, Sports Championships, Theatre Brebeuf, etc.*
- * *Brebeuf News Network (BNN) is a closed circuit television system for announcements and the work of our media courses.*
- * *Dedication plaques for the Jesuit Commemorative Library and the Presentation Brothers Chaplaincy Centre to honour our two religious orders.*
- * *Dr. Bob Lato '68 Award for the Most Improvement in Grade 10*
- * *Mike Tomaczek '82 Music Award for Contribution to the Music Programme*
- * *Display shelving for some of the \$14,000 in books purchased through a special government grant*
- * *A special Professional Activity Day speaker for Brebeuf staff featuring Wayne Hully, a world-renowned speaker on the topic of success for all.*
- * *Soccer nets*
- * *Table-tennis tables for our championship table-tennis teams*
- * *A cd-copying machine for promoting the school's music and computer programmes*
- * *Funds for the Solemn Blessing and Official Opening of the new building*

Parents are welcome to contribute to the Futures Foundation. Tax receipts can be issued. Contact Michael Da Costa at 416 393 5508 ext. 80017 or Michael.dacosta@tcdsb.org/. Donors are recognized on the Donor Wall in the school's Atrium.

Social Events: The Alumni Association keeps former students in contact with the school and each other. Some annual events include tournaments in golf, hockey, and floorhockey and class reunions. Visit www.brebeuf-alumni.org.

Theatre Brebeuf

Article by Mr. Cavaola

Theatre Brebeuf is extremely busy this year with many upcoming productions in the works. Following the tremendous success of last year's Little Shop of Horrors, this year's play Opening Night is a musical comedy, a genre that has been ignored in our previous musical productions. In addition to our annual school production, Brebeuf will also be proudly hosting the Ontario Sears Drama Festival that will be held for two nights in our theatre. For this competition, our drama department is currently developing two separate plays that have been written and directed by students Giancarlo Consoli and Ryan Moniz. These plays are a coming of age story delivered in a dramatic but uniquely comedic fashion. The plots revolve around young men dealing with the obstacles and insecurities that come from the transition from adolescence to adulthood. Presented by our very enthusiastic drama students, both plays promise to be entertaining and memorable.

TCDSB Ward Trustees 2006-2007



Ward 1--Joseph Martino
Ward 2--Ann Andrachuk
Ward 3--Sal Piccininni
Ward 4--Mary Cicogna

Ward 5--Maria Rizzo
Ward 6--Christine Nunziata
Ward 7--John Del Grande
Ward 8--Oliver Carroll

Ward 9--Catherine LeBlanc-Miller
Ward 10--Barbara Poplawski
Ward 11--Angela Kennedy
Ward 12--Paul Crawford

DEBATE UPDATE

The Brebeuf Debating Society participated in its first Pro-Con Tournament of the year. Brebeuf hosted over 30 public, private and Catholic schools from across the GTA to debate the topics: "Canada benefits from citizens with multiple citizenships" and "Hallowe'en is detrimental to children."

Jason Cheng (Gr. 11) placed Third in the Junior Division out of more than 100 debaters! Sam Presvelos (Gr. 9) received an Honourable mention.

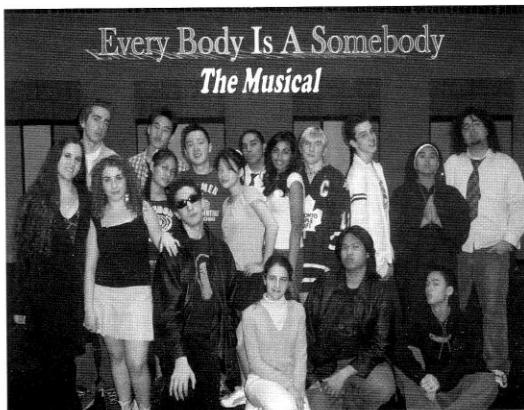
New members are always welcome.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST

If Christian education is a partnership between parents, the school, and the Church, then no event marks that sharing better than a revived Brebeuf tradition - the Communion Breakfast. On Sunday, October 1, over 150 students, staff and their families joined together to celebrate Mass as a community. The celebrant was our former principal, Father J. Winston Rye SJ. Following Mass, there was a wonderful buffet breakfast in our Atrium. Many thanks to Ms. Martin, Mr. Da Costa and Ms. Loranger for organizing this event. We hope to see all of you next year at this annual occasion.

Every Body is a Somebody: The Musical

Every Body is a Somebody is a musical drama written by Brebeuf teachers John Paul Adams and John A. MacDonald.



The script was originally commissioned by the Ontario Ministry of Health and the Hospital for Sick Children in 2001 and became the culminating experience of a study called *Healthy Schools, Healthy Kids* targeting girls and boys in grades 6 to 8.

Drawing on many of the ideas from an active learning program originally published by The Body Image Coalition of Peel, the musical promotes healthy body image, positive self-esteem, healthy eating and an active lifestyle for adolescents.

The story, set in a typical "transition years" school and centred on a series of nine musical numbers, follows the poignant struggles of twenty characters as they try to make sense of such issues as worrying about what "They Say", being "Popular", the roles of "Girls and Boys" and "Who Am I".

After a powerfully symbolic and cathartic dance sequence, cast members and audience alike come to a greater acceptance of themselves and others. Leaving the theatre humming the final tune, *No Worries / Every Body is a Somebody*, it seems everyone has learned something about respecting the diversity among individuals.

After the play, cast members reflect on several of the themes alluded to in the drama by fielding questions from the audience. Notions of media awareness, dealing with family and friends, self-esteem, coping stress and building relationships are all met head on in a fast-paced 45 minutes.

This year's production of *Every Body is a Somebody* will be held on Thursday, February 8th and Friday, February 9th with two shows being performed each day.

Junior Soccer Bulls - 2006-2007



This year's junior soccer season kicked off the first week of school seeing over 95 students vying for a position on the 2006 squad. The Bulls culminated their regular season play with 4 wins, 1 loss, and 1 tie, amassing a total of 30 goals, and allowing only 4. Regular season play saw the Bulls defeat Metro Prep 7-1, Francis Libermann 5-1, Mary Ward 6-0 and Mother Teresa 5-0. The Bulls drew Pope John Paul II to a 1-1 tie with their only loss occurring at the hands (or feet) of Senator O'Connor by a 3-2 score.

First round playoff action saw the Bulls crush cross-town rival Pope John Paul II by a score of 3-0. In the quarterfinals, the Bulls took on a previously undefeated Cardinal Newman squad. The Bulls got off to a roaring start with goals from Sebastian Delgado and Garabet Makasci. Unfortunately Cardinal Newman tallied two late goals in the dying minutes to force the game to a shootout where the Bulls were narrowly defeated by a 4-3 margin.

The Bulls look to rebound in 2007 with the return of many first year players! The coaching staff, Mr. Sabatini, Mr. Aquino and Mr. D'Angelo would like to thank all players for their hard work, dedication and sportsmanship.

This year's team was made up of the following students:

Atashin, Sam * Bojaca-Tolentino, Alex * Ceccarelli, Louie * Cerre, Will * Craig, Adam * Delgado, Sebastian
Emmanuel Amoah * Good, Tyler * Izquierdo, Roman * Johnson, Alex * Lallone, Rob * Makasci, Garabet * Massaro, Maudo
Morris, Judah * Pelligrino, Matthew * Puckett, Chris * Puckett, Matthew * Roccasalvo, Daniel * Seddon, Daniel *
Spagnoli, Mark

TAKE NOTE!!!

From the Music Department

A new school year is well under way and this year's grade nine musicians have taken up their instruments in the band room alongside the returning tens, elevens and twelves. The sound of music emanates throughout the hallways morning, noon and night with our jazz groups rehearsing at 7:30 a.m., classes playing all day and our concert bands rehearsing after school. There are several events scheduled for this year. First up on our list of performances is the Grade 8 Open House on Thursday, November 9th. This will be followed one week later with a performance by some very talented musicians who will audition to be part of this year's Club Brebeuf charity night for The Children's Wish Foundation. Our annual Christmas concert will be held on December 14th. Soon after the January exams conclude, the Kiwanis Music Festival will start up in early February. More news about the groups involved in this event will follow in a future publication. Also, plans are well under way for a spring excursion to Boston in late April.

So as you can see, it's business as usual, meaning hectic as usual! Take the time now to mark your calendar and plan to join us for one or more of our upcoming events.

Guidance Workshops for University and College Applications

By Mr. J. Murphy (Head of Student Services)

The university and college application process is now underway for graduating students. The Student Services Department is conducting application workshops for Grade 12 students who are applying to college and university. We are expecting approximately 150 students to apply to university and 50 students to apply to college. Traditionally, at Brebeuf, 85 % of the students who apply to college and university confirm an acceptance at a post secondary institution. The remaining 15 % return to Brebeuf for an additional year, take a year off, or go directly into the world of work. The university application deadline is Jan. 10 /07 and the college application deadline is Feb. 1/ 07.