



COLLINGWOOD SCHOOL

ALUMNOTES

Dear Collingwood Alumni and Alumni Families,

As 2023 comes to a close and we reflect on this past year of alumni programming, it's heartening to think of all the special moments and connections we witnessed amongst our alumni. From Homecoming to manage stress with Dr. Maryam Zeinneiddin to coming together for our first Alumni Homecoming, from networking at CAVS Business Lunches to reaching new alumni groups at our meetups in San Francisco and Toronto. It has been an incredible year and we are so excited to continue this momentum into the new year. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season, and we look forward to connecting in 2024.

If you have any questions, concerns, or if you'd like to connect, please contact us at alumni@collingwood.org.

- Advancement Team

THANK YOU TO HANNAH WOLVERTON

The Alumni Executive Committee would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Hannah Wolverson for her outstanding contributions to the committee over the past six years. Her dedication and hard work have played a pivotal role in our success, and we sincerely thank her for her service.

After serving on the Alumni Executive Committee for 6 years, Hannah Wolverson stepped down in October. Hannah graduated in 2012 and has since remained an active and involved member of the Alumni Association, including her 6 years of service on the Alumni Executive Committee. Hannah advocates for the lasting connection and sense of community that the Alumni Association offers to the past students and graduates of Collingwood School. We will sincerely miss having Hannah on the Committee, and we are excited to reconnect with her at future alumni events.



TARTAN WEEK



Thank you to everyone who supported Tartan Week 2023. To date, we've raised \$950,000!

As alumni and alumni families, you understand the benefits of a Collingwood education. Through your support of our annual fund we are able to say "YES" to exceptional experiences and learning opportunities for all of our students, across the four strands and both campuses. Through your support we are able to provide enriched resources and learning tools, innovative partnerships, program enhancements, and facility upgrades to make Collingwood an exceptional place for ALL of our students to pursue their passions for a better world.



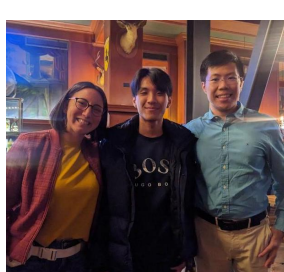
Thank you!

To learn more about the Tartan Fund please visit: collingwood.org/tartan.

RECENT EVENTS

Out-of-Town Events

In October, we held our first out-of-town Alumni Meetup in San Francisco! Morgan McLaughlin and Shaina Gleicher hosted a small group of alumni from the Bay Area for dinner and drinks, and it was such a treat to reunite with them. An exciting connection was made between **John Li '12** and **Alex Ge '21** who were both heavily involved in robotics during their time at Collingwood. Alex got to update John on the progress of the robotics team of which John was an inaugural member.

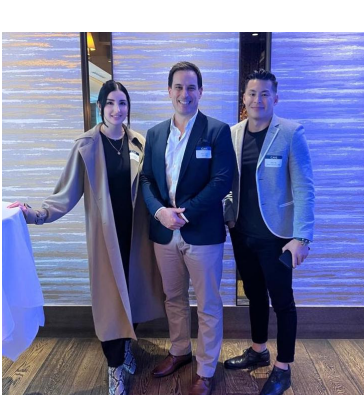


In November, former Head of School, **Rodger Wright**, hosted a special Alumni Meetup in Toronto. Many alumni who attended Collingwood during Rodger's time, as well as former Rodger Middle School Principal, John Reid, came out for a casual and fun evening with Rodger and his wife Louise. Rodger donned his classic yellow CAVS hardhat from the Morven renovation project, and his hardhat was filled by the many familiar faces who attended.

Responses from our [Alumni Survey](#) indicated that many of our alumni still want to connect with the school, but no longer live in the Vancouver area. Based on your feedback, we began this year hosting events for our alumni outside of Vancouver. We want to continue offering events for our alumni in different cities in the new year, including those who live outside of North America. If you live outside of Vancouver and want to join us for an alumni meetup in your city, fill out [this form](#) to indicate your interest and let us know which city we should come to next!

CAVS Business Lunch

Our fan-favourite CAVS Business Lunch was back this fall with a sold-out event! **Marc Low '96** shared an engaging and informative presentation on the impact of Artificial Intelligence, as it pertains to business and life in general. Marc shared insights with us about how to safely embrace AI as it becomes more ubiquitous in our lives and businesses, and discussed what our futures may look like as AI becomes more intelligent and pervasive.



CAVS is always an interesting and engaging event for our alumni and we can't wait for the next one!

Alumni Winter Party

Most recently, we celebrated the holiday season with alumni at our annual Alumni Winter Party. It means so much to see such a large and diverse group of alumni come together, and especially at such a busy and hectic time of year. This year's winter party saw alumni spanning from the class of 1990 to the

2022 ALUMNI SURVEY REPORT

In case you missed it, earlier this fall we shared the official Alumni Survey Report. This report comprises the results of our 2022 Alumni Survey, and shares with our alumni the actions that Collingwood is taking in response to their feedback. You can find the full report [here](#).

BRIDGE MAGAZINE

[Bridge](#) is now digital only!

Our Collingwood magazine is sent tri-annually, and gives an in-depth look at what is happening in the community.

Email us at alumni@collingwood.org to be added to the Bridge mailing list.

ALUMNI AWARDS

We are now accepting nominations for our annual Alumni Awards! The Alumni Awards recognize the excellence and growth of members in the alumni community and include: the Mackenzie Award, the Alumni Association Honours Award and the Alumni Association Volunteer Award.

You can find more on each award and submit a nomination [here](#).

Nominees and winners will be announced in the Spring of 2024.

STAY CONNECTED

Alumni Visits:

We'd love to have you come by the school to reconnect with faculty and see some familiar faces! If you would like to come in for a visit, please contact us ahead of time to ensure that the teachers you'd like to see will be available. Email alumni@collingwood.org and include the date and time of your planned visit, as well as any members of



class of 2022. The evening was filled with laughter, good food and drink, reminiscing, and cookie decorating. It is truly so special to celebrate the holidays with our alumni, and to see so many people reconnecting, as well as forming new connections. Thank you to all those who

attended and who made the event such a success!

COLLINGWOOD U - YEAR FOUR!

Join us for the fourth edition of Collingwood U, from May 22 to June 12, 2024, where we will be helping our Grade 12 students make a smooth transition from high school to post-secondary education and adult life. We are seeking volunteers who can share their expertise and experience in their respective fields, provide valuable advice on how to succeed in the professional world, and guide students in mastering essential life skills such as repairs, cooking, networking, and interviewing.

In particular, we are looking for more volunteers to host students for a one-day job shadowing experience at their workplace, especially in the fields of fin-tech, medicine, AI, law, marketing, and real estate. This year, we are introducing career panels that will feature multiple speakers from the same field. It will be an excellent opportunity to showcase the unique aspects of each role and highlight the differences in comparison to others. We invite those who have colleagues and connections to come forward and present together.

Please contact [Morgan McLaughlin](#) if you have questions or are interested in volunteering. Or, please complete [this form](#) with your information. We are excited to have you on board with us this year and contribute to the growth of our students.

faculty you'd like to see while you're here.

We can't wait to see you again!

Update Your Contact Info:

Want to stay in the loop about alumni events, ways to get involved at Collingwood and receive alumni SWAG?

Keep us up-to-date with your contact information by [filling out this form](#).

Be sure to follow us for throwbacks and updates on our upcoming events:



For more information on alumni programming and how you can get involved, please contact:

[Catherine Brent](#)
Alumni Coordinator

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Associate Director of Advancement

ALUMNI NEWS

Danielle and **Sasha Faris '05** are teaming up with Women's Hospital to bring a ROTEM machine to Canadian healthcare. Sasha and Danielle have invested in this piece of medical equipment to help delivering mothers avoid the life-threatening complication of postpartum hemorrhaging. Access to the ROTEM means that various medical interventions may be taken that will prevent or reduce potential harm.



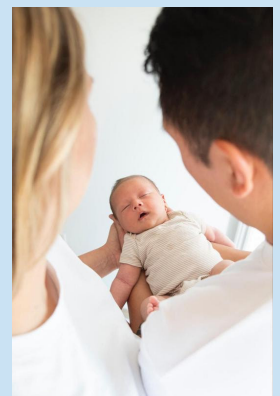
Northeastern University has inducted **Madison Mailey '14** into their Athletics Hall of Fame. During her time at Northeastern, Mailey was an integral member of the Huskies rowing team. This award recognizes and honours her hard work, perseverance, and athletic triumphs.

Mailey has also won back-to-back gold medals at the Under-23 World Rowing Championships (2017, 2018), as well won Gold for Team Canada at the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo.

Natasha Qureshi '11 and Bryan Schaf were married at the Fairmont Empress in Victoria, BC, on October 7.



Elyse Ancrum '11 and husband, Joe Lee, welcomed baby Owen earlier this year.



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