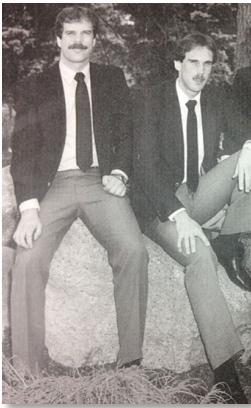


## ELWYN AND BONNIE FAST RETURN TO WRCA AND JSP



Elwyn and Bonnie Fast are returning from Japan this April and Elwyn will take a role with the Japanese Student Program (JSP) as the Assistant Coordinator at WRCA. The Fast name is a familiar one within the school and church community. Elwyn’s parents, Marvin and Ilene Fast, were missionaries in Japan for over 30 years and also Pastored at the church that founded our school. Elwyn’s older brother, Darryl Fast, was the first Principal of WRCA.

Elwyn had previously been employed by WRCA as an Administrative Assistant from 1983-86. From 1990-2004 he took full reigns of the Japanese Student Program and built it up to resemble the program that it is today. Elwyn and Bonnie left Canada in 2004 to go and establish a church in Tajimi, Japan. This is located close to our Japanese Partner school that sends students over to WRCA each year. Their desire was to establish a church for students who went to Canada, found Salvation, and provide them a place to grow in their Christian walk. Over the years, there have been many Japanese students from WRCA who became Christians and, according to Elwyn, about 60 are currently strong Christians serving in the church in Japan.



Darryl and Elwyn Fast in 1983

Elwyn and Bonnie are returning to Canada to be closer to family and friends. They are excited to be able to help the Japanese students and their homestays from the Canadian side of their experiences. Welcome Back to Elwyn and Bonnie! Great to have you part of WRCA again!



### WHAT IS THE JAPANESE STUDENT PROGRAM (JSP)?

Each year, Japanese students who enroll in Chukyo High School’s International Student Program (Japan) have the opportunity to come to Canada to study at WRCA for a year. While in Canada, they live with homestay families for their 11-month stay (April to February).

The Japanese Student Program (JSP) is set up to develop English Language skills through an inquiry-based approach to learning in a Canadian classroom. Throughout the year they learn about Canadian culture from a Christian perspective, take educational field-trips that highlight Canadian and Indigenous history and landmarks, go on excursions to uniquely BC attractions and destinations, and participate in summer camps.

Students return home with memories to last a lifetime, and many establish an ongoing relationship with their Canadian families. Many discover Christ’s love personally. アーメン (Āmen)!

# GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDFRIENDS DAY!

## Are you a Grandparent or Grandfriend of children at WRCA?

We are delighted to invite you to **Grandparents & Grandfriends Day** at White Rock Christian Academy on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024, from 10:45am to 2:00pm.**

Grandparents' Day at White Rock Christian Academy honors the special bond between grandparents, grandfriends, and their grandchildren. It celebrates the wisdom, love, and support grandparents provide and their positive influence on our students' lives.

Let's use this occasion to express our gratitude and celebrate the wonderful relationships they share with their grandchildren.

During this day, you will have the opportunity to spend quality time with your grandchildren in their classrooms, participate in engaging activities, share lunchtime together and enjoy performances prepared by the students. This day is a chance to create lasting memories together.

Your involvement in our school community enriches the educational experience for our students, and we are truly grateful for your participation. We look forward to welcoming you and making this day memorable for everyone.

## Send a Special Message to your Grandchildren

Whether or not you are attending Grandparents Day on Wednesday, May 8, **you have an opportunity for you to send a special message to your grandchildren.**

Please fill out the form linked below and we will do our best to convey the message to your grandchildren on May 8! If you would also like to send a picture of yourselves to them, please email the picture to Charyse at [seidelc@wrca.ca](mailto:seidelc@wrca.ca) and we will attach it to your message.

**FORM LINK:** <https://forms.office.com/r/rymBssuqJE>

**Due date for this form is May 1, 2024.**





The **WRCA Warrior Golf Classic** (Presented by IRIS Optical) is the showcase fundraising event for the WRCA Athletic Department, taking place on Tuesday, June 4, 2024. Let's continue to build relationships between the school, our athletes, our alumni, and our broader community while raising funds to help reduce the costs of participating on a WRCA team and to upgrade and replace equipment.

**REGISTRATION:** Includes 18-hole round of golf, on-course food and drink, activities and contests, buffet lunch. Stay to socialize as long as you like after golfing. (FORMAT: 18-Holes Texas Scramble).

**A SPECIAL BONUS!** Every golfer who is signed up for the WRCA 2024 Warrior Golf Classic will receive a free pair of REVO sunglasses at the tournament (Up to \$250 Value)! Protect your eyes and look stylish with these amazing sunglasses as you golf!



**Cost Per Golfer: \$225 | Online 4some registration: \$850**

**Carts: \$60/cart (\$30/seat for single golfers)**

**Power Packs: \$30/golfer** (Includes putting and chipping contest entries and 2 mulligans.)

**GENERAL SCHEDULE:**

**11:00am** | Golfer Registration

**11:30pm-12: 30pm** | Buffet Lunch

**12:45pm** | Captain's Meeting

**1:00pm** | Shotgun Start

**6:00pm** | Awards & Wrap Up

There will be a number of other contests taking place during the tournament with some amazing prizes for hole-in-one, longest drive, and more!

Spaces are limited! Visit [wrca.ca/golftournament](http://wrca.ca/golftournament) to register!

*Interested in Golf Sponsorship or donating Prizes? contact Mr. David Houston ([houstond@wrca.ca](mailto:houstond@wrca.ca)) or Mr. Scott Allen ([allens@wrca.ca](mailto:allens@wrca.ca)) for more information.*



# CORPORATE PARTNERS FOR 2024-2025

WRCA is thrilled to extend a warm welcome to our new Corporate Partners and are delighted to have their support for the next 17 months as we continue our mission of inspiring and cultivating citizens of Godly character who transform their world for Christ.

These partnerships represent not only an investment in our school but also in the broader community we all serve. By aligning with WRCA, they are demonstrating their commitment to the values and purpose that drive our institution. They also play a crucial role in enabling us to fulfill our mission and achieve our goals and their involvement strengthens our ability to provide exceptional educational experiences and opportunities for our students.

As a White Rock Christian Academy Corporate Partner, they are part of a dynamic community of organizations and individuals who share our vision for shaping the leaders of tomorrow. WRCA looks forward to collaborating with them throughout the year and finding innovative ways to make a difference together. **We strongly urge our community to support these local businesses who have stepped forward to support our school.**

Once again, welcome to the WRCA family. Thank you for your partnership, your generosity, and your commitment to our school, our community, and our shared values. Together, we can continue to inspire and empower our students to transform their world for Christ.



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### ENGAGED: THEME FOR 2023-2024

*“Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.” (Mark 12:30)*

Our theme in 2023-2024 is ENGAGED. Being ENGAGED means to understand the fear of the Lord as a discipline, cultivating wonder, and learning about our identity as children of God as we will then flourish. The more that we are in relationship with our Creator, the more that this present reality points to a time that He will make it right. As our holistic education, rooted in Biblical principles, ENGAGES our heads, hearts, and hands, we are hopeful that within our students, staff and community, our lives in the present and future point ourselves and others towards serving Christ by ENGAGING with one another in His love.



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