

## CDS celebrates largest capital campaign in its history

The \$10-million Making Connections campaign, the largest campaign in The Country Day School's history, is nearly complete. The King City school will celebrate the opening of its magnificent new building at a reception and ribbon cutting this coming Tuesday (Jan. 26) from 7 to 9 p.m.

The 51,000 square foot addition includes a state-of-the-art Marché style dining hall, which opened in September, and a spectacular addition to the existing senior school.

The architectural design not only provides an impressive new entrance to the senior school, but includes some very unique spaces intended to optimize learning. Hallways and classrooms are flooded with natural light from expansive windows that offer beautiful views of CDS's rural 100-acre setting.

Students enter the new two-story senior school via a spectacular entrance and atrium. This serves as a focal point from which four main components extend - the new dining hall; administration offices; learning and support centres and nine new classrooms. With these new light-filled spaces, students now have significantly more breakout areas and inspirational spaces for learning and creativity.

Integrating this new building into the fabric of CDS has meant that portions of the original senior school that opened in 1986, having served CDS well for 30 years, were dismantled to accommodate new uses and more direct access to the 100 acres of green space for students.

The good news is that the blending of old and new has been seamless and the student transition nearly effortless. The CDS community is invited to come see this breathtaking new space for themselves and celebrate how far the school has come.