

Bishop Reding students are record-breakers

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Bishop Reding Royal Report

It has been an amazing few weeks for the Bishop Reding track and field team: six school records were broken.

At the Golden Horseshoe Invitation at Saltfleet High School in Stoney Creek, Chris Kargel earned a gold medal and new school record with a 1.91 metre (m) jump in the senior boys' high jump. He also surpassed another long term school record in the shot put event with a throw of 13.90 m. Chris then broke his own shot put record a week later with a throw of 15.18 m to claim gold at the St. Mary's Relays in Hamilton.

This time Mike Carn also showed Bishop Reding Royal strength in the field events claiming gold and setting a new 12.97 m record in the midget boys shot put.

Meanwhile, Ian Butcher continues his dominance on the track eclipsing a 15-year-old school record in the

midget boys' 800 m this past Saturday at the Cardinal Carter Invitation. Running a time of 2:02.96 minutes he erased a mark set by former OFSAA silver medallist Michael Wyman. A week earlier he claimed the fastest run of any midget athlete in the province with an outstanding run of 50.48 seconds in the 400 m. Congratulations to all record breakers along with other top performers representing Bishop Reding in the recent meets.

The senior boys baseball team faced off against Oakville-Trafalgar last Wednesday. Reggie Taylor and Conan O'Brien led the offence as the guys scored six runs in the fourth inning to claim a 12-7 victory. Good luck as the season continues. The varsity girls' softball team began its season with a resounding success on Monday versus cross town rivals Milton District. Casey Ferguson and Amanda Robichaud teamed together to pitch an 18-0 victory.

Recently, the junior girls soccer team faced St. Thomas Aquinas in a challenging game. Following a scoreless first half, in which Kasia Sitarz played outstandingly well, the girls pulled through scoring three remarkable goals in the 3-0 win. On Tuesday evening, the ladies travelled to Q.E. Park where following a rough game the teams finished with a 1-1 stalemate. Keep up the great work!

This year's production of *The Wizard of Oz* proved to be a tremendous success. Bishop Reding's diverse acting talents included everything from emotionally challenged Tin People to absent-minded wizards to (cowardly) lions. Oh my! The Bishop Reding players and stage crew's numerous hours of hard work and preparation truly paid off with one of Bishop Reding's finest performances ever. This year was the first to integrate the skilled visual effects of the school's media arts classes with the vivid backdrops created by the art class students. A huge thank you goes to everyone, both in front and behind the stage (and there were many), who helped to make the event such a dramatic triumph. Way to go Bishop Reding!

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