

## Honouree Biography - Iggy



**Birthday:** December 31, 1978

**Family:** Yes. They are pretty cool. Mom, Dad and 2 brothers.

**Favourite colours:** Silver or Platinum

**Favourite type of music:** Deep House

**Favourite music group:** Dream Theater

**Favourite actor/actress:** Kiefer Sutherland, Johnny Depp

**Favourite book:** *The Mixing Engineers Handbook*

**Favourite Film:** The Matrix (Part 1 & 2)

**Favourite Television Show:** 24

**Favourite food:** Philly Steak and Cheese Sandwich

**Occupation:** Teacher

In March of 2000, while in his third year of university Iggy was at the hospital for blood tests and scans when doctors came to him with a diagnosis of Hodgkin's disease\*. At the age of 21 his plans of becoming a teacher temporarily slowed down; however, if you check his occupation he is, in fact, a teacher.

Iggy quickly began treatment at the McMaster University Medical Centre, where he underwent 6 months of chemotherapy, 1 month of radiation, and required 2 blood transfusions. In October of 2000, Iggy and his family received the good news that he was in remission.

Healthy and happy, Iggy is currently teaching high school and works on music projects in his spare time in hopes of finishing a record that others will listen to (and maybe even enjoy). Not one to let anything pass him by, Iggy embraces life and every opportunity that presents itself to him, which includes the chance to train for his first half-marathon with Team in Training! Iggy has set his own personal fundraising goal and challenges you to meet yours! You will see him out running with the TNT members this spring.

Through everything Iggy has had the support of his family and friends, "We (as a family) are more aware of the importance of giving blood, aiding with fundraisers, as well as the wide range of people who are affected by cancer".

\*Hodgkin's disease is a specialized form of lymphoma, a cancer that usually originates in the lymphocyte cells of one or more of the lymph nodes. It is the lymphatic system (a series of channels and lymph nodes) that normally protects the body from disease. Hodgkin's Disease often strikes young adults between the ages of 15 and 35.