



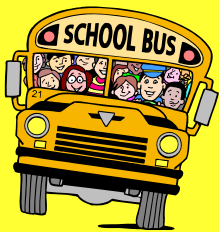
THE ALL-STAR GAZETTE

FEBRUARY 2012

ST. PAUL SCHOOL — TIMMINS

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ★ Valentine's Day
Celebration from 2-3 on February 14th
- ★ Family Day—Monday, Feb. 20th—NO SCHOOL
- ★ Report Cards go home on Wednesday, February 22nd
- ★ Annual Pink Shirt Day—Anti-Bullying



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A Message from the Principal

February is proving to be a busy month at St. Paul School! In addition to our daily Breakfast program and our Fruit & Veggie program, we will be providing a FREE Sub Lunch on Valentine's day. This lunch must be pre-ordered. Orders are due to the school by Friday. On Shrove Tuesday (Feb. 21st), students will be treated to another FREE pancake and sausage breakfast. If there are any parents who could help with the serving of this meal, please contact the school ASAP. We would need volunteers between 8:30 and 9:15 or so. Many thanks go out to Subway and Siva's Family Restaurant for providing these meals to our students at a reduced cost to the school. Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw contest in January. Jazeana Shisheesh and Dylan Lafleur will be going on to represent our school at the Regional Contest on the 11th of

February. Best of luck to them both! We will be attending the Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Anthony's on Wednesday, February 22nd at 9:30. Please feel free to join us if you wish. February 6th marked the beginning of the second term of school. Report Cards for first term will go home on Wednesday, February 22nd. Please be sure to review the report and return the 3rd page by Friday, February 24th. Though there will not be formal interviews scheduled for this term, should you wish to meet with your child's teacher, please contact her/him at your convenience. A review of each students attendance was also recently completed. Letters have been sent home if there is a concern in this area. It is in everyone's best interest to ensure that students are at school consistently and on-time. At this point in the year, any student who has missed more than 10 days of school is of concern.

We know that absenteeism is the single, greatest factor in poor academic progress. Let's work together to combat this problem at our school. Next year's JK students are children born in 2008, and our registration is ongoing. If you have not yet registered your child or requested a registration package, please call the school at your earliest convenience. Also, if you know of any friends or families that are undecided about which school to send their child to next year, please invite them to contact me. I would love to show them what a wonderful school St. Paul is!! Finally, Wednesday, February 29th marks the Annual Pink Shirt Day. Let's all put on some pink to support this important Anti-Bullying campaign.

Sincerely,
D. Brumwell
Principal



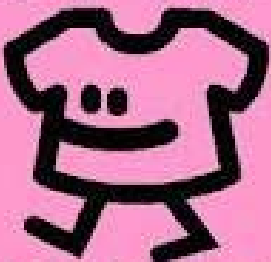
2012 PINK SHIRT DAY

WHEN: Wednesday, February 29th, 2012
WHAT & WHY: Wear Pink as a symbol of your support that we, as a society, will not tolerate bullying anywhere!

INCENTIVE—Every student who wears Pink to school on this day will be part of something very special!



WEAR PINK



STOP BULLYING



Are your children on time for school each day?

Our School Day begins at 8:50 am. Students who arrive late miss important instruction in language and/or mathematics and are a disruption to the classroom.



OUR SCHOOL VISION...
Parents, Students and Staff Promoting Achievement, Understanding & Spirituality

Next School Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 21st, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

OUR ALL-STAR FAMILIES



Those of you who have recently been in the school will notice we have posted all the family pictures taken on our Parent-Portfolio night in November. A copy of these pictures was sent home to each family in December.

If you were not here for the Parent-Portfolio night, we don't have a picture of your family...and this just won't do! We are asking all families who were unable to join us that day to send us a 4 x 6 picture to put up on the board. If you don't have a picture handy, please let us know and we will do our best to find an opportunity to take a picture of you the next time your are in. We would love to see each and every one of our families represented on this wall!

READING BENCHMARKS FOR TERM 1

You will be receiving your child's First Term Report card on Wednesday, February 22nd. The mark for reading is based on the level at which your child is reading on the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Kit and his/her ability to respond to what they read in the classroom—both orally and in writing.

Below you will find the benchmarks for the Assessment recently completed on your child. Your child's report card will indicate whether or not he/she is performing at, below or above the grade level targets for this time of year. Please contact the teacher if you want the specific level your child is working at.

JK—not yet assessed in most cases

SK—Level B

Grade 1—Level G or above

Grade 2—Level J or above

Grade 3—Level N or above

Grade 4—Level Q or above

Grade 5—Level T or above

Grade 6—Level W or above



TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY



The Learning Bar

Finally in order to continue to enhance the teaching and learning environment at St. Paul School, the NCDSB has renewed its affiliation with The Learning Bar Organization We will once again conduct a **Tell Them From Me** On-line Parent and Student Survey beginning at the end of the month. Your log on information and confidential password will be included with the First Term Report Card. Parents are asked to complete the survey by **March 9th**. The information gathered from the survey is completely anonymous and will be used for school improvement planning purposes.

We would love to hear from each and every one of our families!