St. Pat's Pulse

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Upcoming St. Patrick
School Events:

Wed. Feb. 10

Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9:00. The start of Lenten season

Thurs. Feb. 11
Roundtables @ 2:30

Fri. Feb. 12

Wear pink, red, white, hearts

Mon. Feb. 15

Family Day—No school

Feb 16-19

In class public speaking competition

Wed. Feb. 17

Term # 1 report cards & community service trackers go home

Mon. Feb. 22

Staff meeting @ 3:20

Tues. Feb. 23

Public speaking competition at 6pm in the gym. Everyone

welcome
-Kristine Arthur here

(aboriginal support worker)

Wed. Feb. 24

-New JK student open house

from 1:00-3:00

<u>Thurs. Feb. 25</u> Mining matters workshop—

Jr. students—9:00-11:30

Int. students—12:45-2:45

Gr. 7/8 Basketball practices:

Girls—Mon & Wed Boys—Tues & Thurs After school: 3:30-4:30

Intramurals at lunch:

Gr. 7/8 Mon & Wed Gr. 4/5/6 Tues & Thurs.





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From the Principal's Desk

No Power

When we lose power at the school, please know that we still have ONE working phone line. You may find that you get a busy signal (only one line) or that it rings (we may have stepped away from the desk to go deliver a message). Please be patient and feel free to call back.

Public Speaking

Festival

Students in Grades 1-8 have been busy preparing for this year's public speaking festival. Classroom winners will be determined the week of February 16th. These classroom winners will also compete in our school-wide public speaking festival on Tuesday, February 23rd at 6pm in the gym. Mark your calendars to attend this exciting event.

Valentine's Day

Be sure to dress in red, white, pink, hearts—or all 4 this Friday for Valentine's Day.

Scholastic Book Orders

We will now be placing orders each Friday for the Scholastic book clubs. The last day to order will be the last Friday each month. Special thanks to Mrs. Card.

Grade 6 & 7 Educational Trip Meeting

All parents of Grade 6 and 7 students will be invited to a meeting regarding your child's educational trip next year. The meeting is **Thurs. March 3 @ 6pm**

First Term Report Cards

First term report cards will go home on Wed. Feb. 17th. Please note that while there are no formal interviews scheduled, you may arrange a meeting with your child's teacher at any time. Included in the report card will be your child's community service tracker for term # 1.

March Break

This year's March break will take place Mon. March 14—Fri. March 18.

Feb. Curriculum Focus

In Mathematics, students will begin working on Geometry and Spatial Sense and Patterning and Algebra. In reading, students will focus on analyzing texts and in Writing students will focus on the Narrative writing form. We are also hoping to have each student select a READING GOAL during the month of February.



Student Absences and Lates:

Just a reminder that a great deal of learning occurs first thing in the morning! In most classrooms, this is the Literacy or Numeracy block. In order to maximize opportunities for learning, it is crucial that students arrive to school ON TIME and that absences from school are kept to a minimum.