



## Family Newsletter of St. Stephen Middle School

Hello,

I hope that everyone had a nice weekend even with the chilly weather continuing.

SSMS students did very well at the oratorical events this past week! Congratulations to all students who participated in the French event, Concours d'art oratoire, at St. Stephen High School and the Speak Out event at Fundy Middle & High School. The students were wonderful ambassadors for the school and should be very proud of their accomplishments.

Please drop in to our Scholastic Book Fair being held Monday to Friday. Thank you to Ms. Shelley McFarlane for all of the work in getting this event organized. Please note that the Fair will be open on Tuesday and Thursday evening. This is a great fundraiser for our library collection and a terrific way to promote literacy in our community. Please help to spread the news!

This week marks the start of the last rotation of our X classes. Many thanks to our X-Team teachers: Mr. Good (Technology Education & Nutrition), Mr. Haines (Industrial Education), Mr. McGinn (Art), and Mrs. Upham (Music).

Have a great week ahead and please contact us at any time!

Bronwyn Tanner, Principal

### This Week at SSMS:

<b>Monday April 16</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Green ASAP (today and tomorrow)</li> <li>o Wrestling practice: 3:30 – 5:00 (small gym)</li> <li>o Volleyball practice: Girls &amp; Boys B 3:15 – 4:30 (large gym) &amp; Softball practice: 5:00 – 6:30</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday April 17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Home/School communication folders go home</li> <li>o Staff meeting (3:30 – 4:30)</li> <li>o Volleyball practice: Boys &amp; Girls A 3:15 – 5:00</li> <li>o Volleyball game: C Girls @ Fundy 3:30</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday April 18</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Grade 8 Entrepreneurship Adventure Community Panel - all day</li> <li>o ASAP: MADD presentation (Grades 7 &amp; 8)</li> <li>o Volleyball games: @ Home vs McAdam – B girls at 4:30, A girls at 5:30</li> <li>o Wrestling practice: 5:30 – 7:00</li> <li>o Softball practice: 5:00 – 6:30 (large gym)</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday April 19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Home/School communication folders returned</li> <li>o Welcome to Katherine Haché, Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages, presentations to 8-1, 8-2</li> <li>o White ASAP (today and tomorrow)</li> <li>o Volleyball practice: Boys &amp; Girls A 3:15 – 5:00</li> <li>o Wrestling practice: 3:30 – 5:00 (small gym)</li> <li>o Social 6:00 – 8:30 ~ 80's theme</li> </ul>
<b>Friday April 20</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Welcome to Sara Conley visiting grade 6 class for Entrepreneurship Workshop</li> <li>o Welcome to Katherine Haché, Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages, presentations to 7-1, 7-2</li> <li>o Guidance/Admin meeting 9:00 – 9:30</li> <li>o Resource/Admin meeting 9:30 – 10:00</li> </ul>



**Back to the 80's!** Spirit week led by Student Council. (Tuesday – Friday)

### Scholastic Book Fairs

The SSMS Book Fair is taking place all week! Many thanks to our Librarian, Ms. McFarlane, for organizing this special event. The public is welcome to drop in through the day and the Fair will be open on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. A special thanks to the following community businesses for their support: Circle K in Milltown, Guardian Drugs, GMC, KENT Building Supplies and Superstore! We hope to see you at SSMS.



SSMS presentation on  
April 18 during ASAP  
for grades 7 & 8

MADD Canada's school programs bring high-energy drug and alcohol awareness and risk reduction messaging to the world of education. Youth and school programming have been a key component of MADD Canada's youth services, education and awareness initiatives since 1994. The programs are designed to communicate directly with young people on their level and in their language, and encourage them to take a closer look at their values and perceptions.

*The Pact*, MADD Canada's 2017-2018 *School Assembly Program* is a powerful dramatization about the tragic consequences of impaired driving. The video ends with testimonials from real-life victims who share their heartbreaking stories with the audience.

For more information on the assembly, please link to:  
<https://madd.ca/pages/programs/youth-services/school-programs/>

Community members are welcome to attend.



The B Girls Basketball team enjoyed a pizza and basketball party to celebrate their season. Here they are with Coach Mr. McGinn.



Congratulations to the SSMS Bobcats who participated in the recent *Speak Out Showcase*. The students did very well! Middle School Oratorical: 1<sup>st</sup> Evelyn McCaig-Matthews and 3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Curran. Middle School Spoken Word: 1<sup>st</sup> Brooke Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ainsley Grant and 3<sup>rd</sup> Beth Harris and Elia Bortaluesi.



Félicitations à tous! Congratulations to all students who participated in the *Concours d'art oratoire 2018*. Grade 6 EFI: 3<sup>rd</sup> Beth Harris and Laura Groom, 7 EFI 1<sup>st</sup> Rebecca Dougherty and 3<sup>rd</sup> Brooke Johnson, 7 LFI 1<sup>st</sup> Arielle McFarlane 2<sup>nd</sup> Amy Scouten, 8 EFI 1<sup>st</sup> Kate Choi and 2<sup>nd</sup> Amelie Barham and 8 LFI 1<sup>st</sup> Ian Curran and 2<sup>nd</sup> Evelyn McCaig-Matthews. Great work!



The WE Day group is continuing to sell tickets on a basket raffle with all funds going to WE.org in support of providing clean water to communities around the world. All welcome to join the walk on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:20. Tickets can be purchased for \$1 at SSMS and at Stewart's. Thank you for your support.

## Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, April 25 – Half-day for students, PL for staff in the afternoon.

To check out our daily announcements, please link to our website at: [SSMS website](https://ssms.bobcats.ca/)



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St. Stephen Wrestling Club is selling tickets on a gift basket. Tickets are \$5/each or 3/\$10 and can be purchased at the office. Thank you.