Family Newsletter of St. Stephen Middle School

Hello,

SSMS Bobcats were involved in several special events last week. Thank you to the Student Council for organizing the *Comid Con* spirit week activities. Also, a special thank you for all of the support of the Boys A basketball team GIVE BACK CHALLENGE held on Wednesday afternoon. Over \$300 was raised for cystic fibrosis research. More information can be found in the newsletter.

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Regional Science Fair held at UNBSJ last Wednesday. They all did very well! The SSMS Oratory was held on Friday; an impressive event with terrific speeches and spoken word presentations.

Finally, good luck to the students who will be representing SSMS at the St. Stephen Education Centre's oratorical events being held this week: the French program will be on Wednesday evening at SSHS and the English program will be at Fundy M&H School on Thursday. Good luck to all participants.

As always, please contact the school with any questions, ideas or suggestions. We appreciate the support!

Bronwyn Tanner, Principal

This Week at SSMS:

Monday April 9	 Partners for Youth event – all day Green ASAP (today and tomorrow) Wrestling practice: 3:30 – 5:00 (small gym) Volleyball practice: Girls & Boys B 3:15 – 5:00 (large gym) Softball practice: 5:00 – 6:30
Tuesday April 10	 Home/School communication folders go home Welcome to Mr. Bob Sweeney and Ms. Amanda Daigle – grade 8 Entrepreneurship Adventure support Volleyball practice: Boys & Girls A 3:15 – 5:00
Wednesday April 11	 ASAP: Student Led – WE Walk for Water presentation Volleyball practice: Girls & Boys B 3:15 – 5:00 Wrestling practice: 5:30 – 7:00 PSSC Meeting (6:00, Library) French Oratory Event (SSHS, 6:30)
Thursday April 12	 Home/School communication folders returned Welcome to Tara Devlin-Huys today and tomorrow for grade 8 Entrepreneurship Adventure support White ASAP (today and tomorrow) Wrestling practice: 3:30 – 5:00 (small gym) Softball practice: 5:00 – 6:30 (large gym) District Speak Out event (Fundy M&H School, 6:30)
Friday April 13	Student Forum: Block 4 in Library (First session with grade 7 students)



The SSMS WE Day group will be presenting at Wednesday's ASAP. Their focus will be on the **WE Walk for Water** event that will be taking place during ASAP on Friday, April 27th. SSHS is aiming to raise \$ 6 000 to donate to WE.org in support of providing clean water to communities around the world. Funds raised at SSMS will be given to SSHS to help with this goal. A basket raffle will be held at SSMS. Tickets are \$1 and can be bought during break and lunch in the café. Community members can also purchase tickets at the office.

Inspiring students!





Congratulations to Ainsley and Sawyer for being awarded a silver at the District Regional Science Fair and to Amelie and Kate for being awarded a bronze. Great work! Thanks to Ms. Scott for accompanying the students to UNBSJ. Well done, Bobcats!



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.





Photos from the GIVE BACK Challenge. Over \$300 raised!

Scholastic Book Fairs

The SSMS Book Fair will be held next week! Thanks to our Librarian, Ms. McFarlane, for organizing this special event. Times to be shared this week. Please help spread the news!



Congratulations to the wrestlers – great effort and sportsmanship displayed during the Fredericton tournament on Saturday. Thank you to the coaches: Mr. Hatt, Ms. Dow and Mr. Weeks.

Upcoming Events

- o April 16 20 Scholastic Book Fair @ SSMS more info coming soon
- o Wednesday, April 18 MADD presentation (ASAP, all welcome)
- o Thursday, April 19 Social
- o Wednesday, April 25 Half-day for students, Professional Learning for staff in the afternoon.



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