

# Guidance Program at MCS

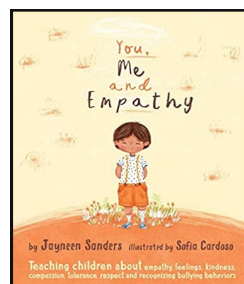
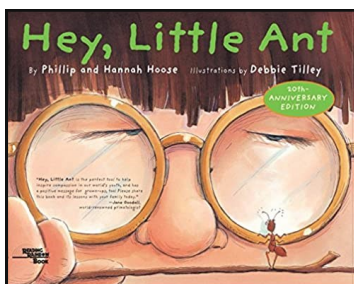
## February Newsletter

The focus for **February** will be on **Empathy**. Empathy is *the ability to understand and connect to the feelings of another*.

**Parents:** Here are a few good resources for supporting and exploring this topic at home with your children:

**\*Read Alouds for Children on Empathy.**

These can be borrowed from the guidance office or purchased from Amazon.ca



**\*Brene Brown Video for Parents on Empathy:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Evwgu369Jw>



### Activity

Learn the ASL (American Sign Language) letters to spell out the word E-M-P-A-T-H-Y.



Discuss: What might the experience of being hearing impaired be like?

During February, the guidance counsellors will continue to support the whole school guidance initiatives (Link Program, Secret Reader, and Character Strong). The guidance team will work to support teachers with co-planning and co-teaching around general guidance curriculum outcomes. Finally, we will continue to see students for individual, short term, solution-focused counselling (as it is needed). If you have any questions about the guidance program at MCS, please feel free to contact us at the school 506-325-4434.

Kind Regards,

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# How Can Students Access the Guidance Counsellors?

**Your child can get in contact with the guidance counsellor at the school in a number of ways:**

1. Your child can fill out and pass in a self-referral form using one of the ROCK BOXES from in the grade 3-8 grade level POD. These forms are in the front slot of each of the rock boxes. The guidance counsellors checks the box daily and sees students accordingly. →
2. Your child can **ask his or her teacher** to help them get in touch with the guidance counsellors and he or she will email/speak with the guidance to help set up an appointment. ↘
3. Your child can **ask you –the parent–** to call or email the guidance counsellors and share that he or she would like to set up an appointment to speak with her or him. →

I need to see the School Counselor!


My Name is \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date is \_\_\_\_\_

My Teacher is \_\_\_\_\_

This request is: \_\_\_\_\_ A Small Rock (See me soon!)  
\_\_\_\_\_ A Medium Rock (See me this week!)  
\_\_\_\_\_ A Large Rock (Urgent! See me as soon as you can!)

Office use only: Date of appointment \_\_\_\_\_ Appointment completed \_\_\_\_\_



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