



# Saint Rose School

## January 2022 Newsletter

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### Pawsgiving

Our second Pawsgiving was a roaring success thanks to our kind and animal-loving community. Thank you to our SRS community and Global Pet Food who donated the dog crate. The SPCA were overwhelmed and appreciative of your generous donations.

### Christmas Donation “Thank You!”

We would like to thank community partners who provided Christmas baskets to SRS families. Company and family contributions were kindly donated by; Mathew Joyce of JTR Services, Andrew and Angela Craft, local fire fighters, JDI Finance and Human Resource Departments, Horrobin family, and Church of the Good Shepherd. Thanks to Samantha Cormier for hat and mitten donations.

### Virtual Parent and Community “Parent Nights” & Library Cards

With January 27<sup>th</sup> being Family Literacy Day, we looked at ways to help support families with understanding the teaching of reading. Although reading is formally taught at school, nightly book reading time with families is a contributor to student reading success.

Our grade three teachers, Mrs. Duff and Mrs. King, kicked-off West Branch Library field trips for all students to get a tour and library card. The library has a wide variety of online resources for children, youth, and adults. As part of encourage library use, we are challenging families to take their photo outside or inside the library and send them along to [Victoria.Moseley-McAllister@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:Victoria.Moseley-McAllister@nbed.nb.ca). We will post these photos on the corresponding grade Teams sites for the children in the photo. We will submit one ballot per student who sends along their pictures for a chance to win a prize.

**January 25<sup>th</sup>** – 6:30 PM Helping *Engage Your Child During Reading* presented by Literacy Coach, Lindsay Savoie and Jessica Verner

**January 27<sup>th</sup>** – Family Literacy Day – Send your library selfies for the draw to win prizes

### Hygiene and Wellness

With the intentional focus of students engaging in more physical activity, we have noted a need for students to be aware of personal hygiene implication in grade 3, grade 4, and grade 5. Sending children to school with wipes and/or deodorant for after Physical Education class is encouraged. There are social implications for poor hygiene to which we do not want to expose students.

Please ensure your children have hats and mitten/gloves when they return. With wet clothing also comes musty smelling snow pants, hats, and mittens. Freshening the items in a dryer periodically to thoroughly dry them will help to reduce musty odors.

## **February Family Fitness Challenge**

Our messages to students on an ongoing basis are to spend time with people who make us feel good, focus on positive things, and encourage people to be responsible risk takers, get plenty of sleep with regularly bedtimes and bedtime routines, and learn to enjoy humor. These foci and skills help students in being both mentally and physically fit.

February is a fitness challenge month. Each day on the wellness calendar has a specific item to complete. An adult places a check mark in each completed square. On February 28<sup>th</sup>, all students who have 15 blocks completed send in their calendars for a chance to win a family prize.

Many of the activities on the calendar in the areas of;

- ✓ Adult involvement in conversations with children
- ✓ Everyone being emotionally present and engaged in the family activities
- ✓ Good nutrition and adequate sleep
- ✓ Creative play and social interactions

## **Themed Christmas Basket Winners**

*The Saint Rose Home and School and SRS staff would like to thank all families who contributed to this fund raiser. The winners are;*

*Sports – Cristy G*

*Sweet Treats & Holiday Delights – Colleen B*

*Arts & Crafts – Mia J*

*Cooking & Baking – Myah T*

*Furry Friends – Nova B*

*Family Night – Lisa C*



### **SnowPass Specifics:**

- Each SnowPass is valid the day ski areas open for the season and can be used twice at every participating ski area – 100+ ski areas and counting!
- Parents/Guardians can apply for a SnowPass on behalf of their child in grade 4 or 5 at [www.snowpass.ca](http://www.snowpass.ca) Proof of age and grade are required.
- New this year: the Grade 4 & 5 SnowPass is completely digital. No physical pass will be issued.
- This fully digital product provides online access to book ski days in advance, upon approval of an application.
- For family members not in Grade 4 or 5 that are interested in sliding on snow, explore other affordable introductory programs at <https://goskiinggosnowboarding.ca/>

Thanks to Kiwanis West SJ and Knights of Columbus Council 8094 for their Breakfast Program donations. We appreciate the support of the Gates family for their ongoing Breakfast Program donations.

QM Construction has donated funds to purchase five iPads for classroom learning. Thanks for your community support!

***Milk refunds will be credited once student return date has been determined so we are aware of the number of days to credit families.***

**Dates To Remember:**

**January 12<sup>th</sup> – Home & School meeting**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> – International Day of Education**

**January 25<sup>th</sup> – Parent Night at 6:30 PM “Engaging Your Child During Reading”**

**January 26<sup>th</sup> – Family Literacy Day – prize draw for those who have submitted library selfies**

**January 27<sup>th</sup> – International Holocaust Remembrance Day**