St. Martin of Tours Catholic School Newsletter February 1, 2022

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Snowshoeing

Students enjoyed going snowshoeing in our yard in anticipation for our Outdoor Education Day with Mr. Bibby! They have also been busy building impressive forts!



Agendas



Students in Grades 4-8 are asked to bring in agendas if they do not have one already for 2022. These are important for communication between school and home.

Bell Let's Talk Day

Students were so excited to spread love on #BellLetsTalk Day! They made encouraging notes and stealthily delivered them all over the school! We even found some in our boots! They generated a list of great ideas for Coping with Stress and even did some mindful stretching and meditation in class!



Snowshoeing and Outdoor Education



We are pleased to have a new date for our Outdoor Education Day with Mr. Bibby our ALCDSB Environmental and Outdoor Education Special Assignment Teacher!

Students are asked to prepare to be outside all day on Wednesday, February 16th. Please wear warm clothes, snow suits, hats, mitts, etc. Please pack lunches and snacks for the day as well as bring an extra change of clothes (especially socks and mittens) in case students' clothing gets wet.



National Flag of Canada Day February 15



At the stroke of noon on February 15, 1965, Canada's red and white maple leaf flag was raised for the very first time on Parliament Hill. On the same day in 1996, National Flag of Canada Day was declared.

Our national flag is a symbol that unites Canadians and reflects the common values we take pride in — equality, freedom and inclusion.

National Sweater Day Is This Friday, February 4th

National Sweater Day is an annual event organized by World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Canada. On this day, WWF asks Canadians from coast to coast to turn down thermostats by two degrees Celsius to highlight the role that energy conservation plays in preventing climate change. Through participation, we hope to understand how everyday actions affect our planet's future.

February Spirit Days



Every Friday in February is Pajama Day!

100th Day of School! Wednesday, February 9th



We invite students to bring in a collection of 100! This might be 100 fruit loops glued to paper in rows of 10, 100 LEGO bricks in stacks of 20, 100 paper clips in a necklace, etc. We also invite students to dress up as the number 100 or as if they are 100 years old!



Black History Month's 2022 Theme is: February and Forever – Celebrating Black History Today and Everyday.

Every year, Canadians are invited to take part in the festivities and events that honour the legacy of Black Canadians, past and present, during Black History Month.

Black History Month exists to remind us of all of the rich contributions within our society from people of African descent, and of their ongoing struggle for equity and social justice. This is a time to celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians throughout history, have done so much to make Canada the culturally diverse, compassionate and prosperous nation we know today. It is also an opportunity for the majority of Canadians to learn about the experiences of Black Canadians in our society, and the vital role this community has played throughout our shared history.

Monday, February 14th



Celebrate St. Valentine's Day and wear red, white and pink to school!

For those who are interested in sending in Valentines and treats please remember to follow Covid-19 safety protocols by sending them in 72 hours ahead of time and remember that treats must be individually pre-packaged.

Students Names: Ryder A, Sadie, Carter, Ryland, Monica, September, Addie, Danyka, Lily, Payton, Matt, Ryder L, Ben, Ryan