



# St. Martin of Tours Catholic School



Newsletter—May 15, 2018

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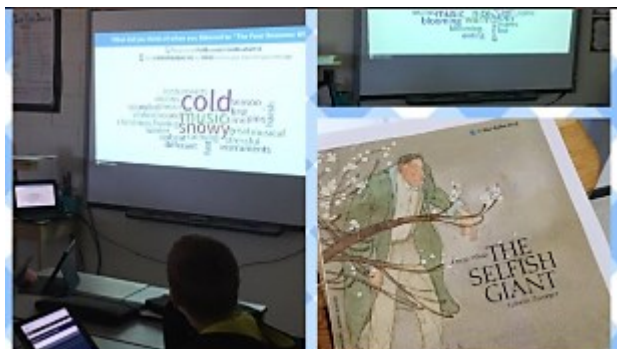
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## BEACONS OF HOPE LUNCHEON



Congratulations to our *Beacons of Hope* recipients from St. Martin of Tours C.S. (Kaden) and Our Lady of Mercy C.S. (Jordyn). These two young people are sharing their gifts with their school communities to make a difference for others. Sharing their pride in these two outstanding students are Stephen Tod (Vice-Principal) and Patricia Flagler-Edwards (Principal). Representing the Board Office were Terry Shea (Board Vice-Chair), John Brisbois (Board Chair), Sean Kelly (Trustee) and Brian Kerby (Trustee).

## FAITH IN ACTION



Kicking off Day 1 of Catholic Education Week with Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" and "The Selfish Giant".

Sharing ideas in real-time and reflecting on the meaning of redemption and God's promise.

*Ms. Balemba's Grade 5-8 Class*

## OUR CLASSROOM TOWER GARDEN IS BLOOMING



As we began Catholic Education Week, these lovely new tomatoes in our Tower Garden inspired me! Just like our students, with loving conditions and care, they will bloom, grow and ripen into the fruits of the Holy Spirit. *Ms. Balemba*



We loved tearing into a bowl of fresh-picked greens to perk up our rainy afternoon.

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK MASS



“Our Father, great teacher, thank you for the gift of education” (Proverbs 19:20-21). We celebrated our Catholic Education Week Mass with Father Malachy and the community of Whitney on Thursday, May 10th. May we all do our part continuing to bring light to the world.

## LEARNING ABOUT OUR EMOTIONS



We all experience different emotions in our life - anger, sadness, frustration, etc. The primary/junior class is learning about emotions and how to handle them in a positive way. Here we are proudly showing of our “Angry Dragons”.

*Mrs. Prentice, Youth Care Worker*

## SCIENCE FAIR DAY



Ah-MAZING science fair at SMT. Excellent work from all our future scientists. When we learn from our peers we learn best.

## PARENT/GUARDIAN REMINDER

### MORNING MESSAGES

We really appreciate parents/guardians calling the school in the morning or throughout the day to inform us of your child's absence for the day or with any other information with respect to the day's arrangements (i.e., busing or pick up for your child, etc.).

**Please note, that if the secretary is away from the desk when you call, please leave a detailed message on the answering machine. All messages are retrieved as soon as I return to the office.**

## EQUITY & INCLUSION—ACCESS TO INTERNET FOR OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES



As part of Algonquin & Lakeshore's work on Equity Education, each school in the Board was asked to look at equity issues within our schools and to come up with an inquiry question pertinent to our communities. We have chosen to look at the equity issues around Internet access, speed and its use. Grade 4 to 8 student surveys have been completed and we would now like our Grade 4 to 8 parent community to complete a very similar survey to what your children completed. Additional information is coming home today and parent surveys will be coming home shortly.

## E.Q.A.O.GRADE 6 ASSESSMENTS

Education Quality and  
Accountability Office



**The Grade 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics will be conducted over a three day period—MAY 22nd, 23rd & 24th.**

**Parents are asked to please refrain from making any appointments during this time as it is important for all Grade 6 students be in attendance during these testing days.**