

St. Michael C.A. News

Elementary Regional Arts Program

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Newsletter #6 February 2020

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*Dream
Believe
Achieve*

Daily Schedule

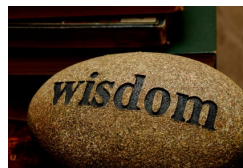
8:45 am-yard supervision begins
9:00 am-morning entry
10:25-10:40 am-morning recess
12:00-1:00 pm-lunch & recess
2:05 2:20 pm-afternoon recess
3:30 pm-dismissal

St. Valentine

St. Valentine was a Catholic priest and later a Bishop who lived in Italy during the 3rd century AD. He was known for marrying couples who were in love (during the reign of Emperor Claudius II, marriages were out-lawed). Shortly before St. Valentine bravely died for his faith he sent a farewell note to a young blind girl named Julia. Believers say that God miraculously cured Julia of her blindness so that she could personally read Valentine's note. Secret notes of love and affection sent on this day are called Saint Valentine's.

Dear Saint Valentine and glorious martyr, teach us to love unselfishly and to find great joy in giving.

St. Michael pray for us, Amen.



February's Catholic Virtue is Wisdom

I will:

- ~ I will use my conscience as my guide
- ~ I will love God and I will love

others as myself
~ I will use my creativity and gifts for the good of all

February is Black History Month

St. Michael Catholic Academy will celebrate Black History Month by hosting *Aubrey Clarke*, a motivational Children's Author on Tuesday February 11th, 2020. His stories tell of perseverance, love, family, overcoming bullying and obstacles.

St. Michael Academy will also mark Black History month through book displays, morning announcements and with the recognition of historic figures and current role models.



Multi-Year Strategic Plan

Mission Statement

Guided by Gospel values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

Vision Statement

Our students will become creative and critical thinkers who integrate Catholic Values into their daily lives, as socially responsible global citizens.

Core Values

Excellence Equity
Fiscal Responsibility Catholicity Inclusion
Integrity Respect

Strategic Commitments

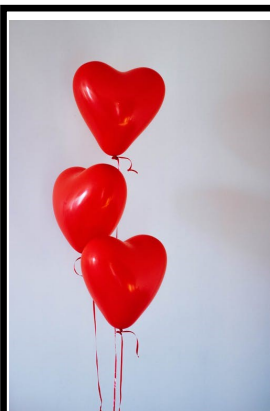
Integration of Our Catholic Faith Continuous Improvement of Student Achievement
Effective Use of Our Resources Engaging Our Communities

Integration of Our Catholic Faith

Catholic Virtue Recognition: Each month we recognize students who demonstrate the Catholic Virtue attributes with a Virtue Certificate, virtue wristband and Radio Show announcement. A group photo is displayed on the Virtue banner in the front foyer.

December Virtue: Hope
I will:
 Look to the future with trust in God
 Keep a positive attitude
 Prepare for Christmas by waiting with hope, faith, joy
 and love.

Kindergarten Mauti Alice K Jiovanni P	Kindergarten Iyolah James B Princess P Darren S	Grade 1 Martel Ethan F Lyla S
Grade 1 / 2 Messere Abby Rose S Jocelyn S	Grade 2 Di Mambro Ana C Sabrina DF Ashton H Ashleigh R	Grade 3 Chance Aiden N Mikayla S
Grade 3 Belcastro Anna Maria A Zachary P	Grade 4 Caspersz Owen S Jayden S Kenya S	Grade 4/5 Di Fazio Gloria C Maxx C Sofia P
Grade 5 Skenderis Zoe Y Lora DH Alexis M	Grade 6 Di Giovine Daniel L Julienne T Chiara V	Grade 6 Vandehogen Shania F Gavin H Alberto W
Grade 7 Yarow Danai M Aaren M	Grade 7 Barbier Rob DA Michael L Sofia N	Grade 7/8 Paniculam Caroline P Joshua S
Grade 8 Doria Stephanie K Thea P Cole P Aerika T		



Please see the attached flyer for more information about Valentine Cookies and small items to purchase. All proceeds will be donated to Covenant House and the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

Our January Civvies Day raised \$ 320.60 for the Alzheimer Society. Our February Civvies Day will be Friday February 28th. A donation to the Heart & Stroke Foundation is appreciated.

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January's virtue was Unity

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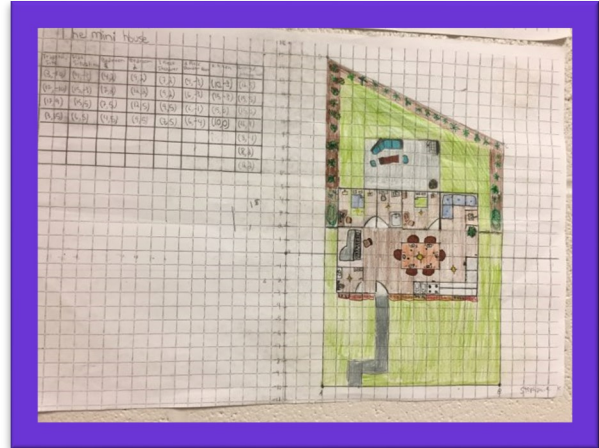
- * make everyone feel welcomed and appreciated
- * take some time to learn about the similarities and difference in my community
- * empower people with my words not put them down by calling them names

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Grade 7 Yarow Joel M Sarah M	Grade 7 Barbier Jillian A Sonja C Aiden PD Saro O	Grade 7/8 Paniculam Elijah DJ Aileen K Aidan L
Grade 8 Doria Avo O Cole P Lukas S Caesarius S		

Grade 8 Architecture

STREAM

We are continuing to build on past years of 21c initiatives. We are focusing on STREAM initiatives throughout the school year with a culminating event to showcase STREAM during Catholic Education Week. STREAM is a faith-filled integration of any combination of **S**cience, **T**echnology, **R**eligion, **E**ngineering, the **A**rts, and or **M**athematics to solve a relevant problem through a design thinking approach.



using manipulatives
to solve math problems

Grade 7/8 students created character bottles based on a novel of their choice. Love seeing the incorporation of STREAM learning!





Attention tout le monde....le CARNAVAL arrive!!!!!!

Carnaval activities are coming soon to St. Michael Catholic Academy! Carnaval will take place on *Monday, February 10th to Friday, February 14, 2020*. There will be fun and interactive activities for each division throughout the week of Carnaval. A big thank you to our Catholic School Council who have contributed to the activities taking place during our Carnaval festivities at St. Michael Catholic Academy!

The French department is actively working to organize many fun filled activities. Some highlights for that week will be a variety of theme days like, Pyjama day, Crazy Hair Day, and Jersey Day. Students in JK to grade 4 will be attending a Duffle Bag Theatre production of "Les trois petit cochons" (The 3 Little Pigs) in the gym. Students in grades 5 to 8 will be enjoying indoor curling excitement in our gym with the Rocks 'n Rings company. Finally the whole school will be celebrating the closing of our carnival on St. Valentine's Day dressed in red, pink, purple or white. It will all be very exciting. We can't wait to begin!!!

Here is the Carnaval week at a glance:

Monday Feb 10 - Pyjama Day
 ** Grades JK-4 Duffle Bag Theatre (Les trois petit cochons) (9:15am)

Tuesday Feb 11 - Crazy Hair Day
 **Grades 5-8 indoor curling with Rocks 'n Rings (1pm-3pm)

Wednesday Feb 12 - Jersey Day
 **Grades 5-8 indoor curling with Rocks 'n Rings (full day 9 am - 3 pm)

Thursday Feb 13 - Scarf & Tuque Day

Friday Feb 14 - Red, Pink, Purple and White Day
 St. Valentine's Day**

It will be a most enjoyable week....*The Carnaval Committee*

***** If you choose to come to school without spirit wear, you must be in uniform dress code*****

Thank you to Madam Terzian and Madam Scarmozzino for planning this amazing week for our students!

Engaging Our Communities



Go Dragons Go!!

The Boys' Intermediate **Basketball** team continues training for the Basketball season. A huge thank you to the coaches; Mr. McKinlay and Ms. Chance.

Boys' Intermediate Basketball Team:

Andrew (gr. 8), Dominic (gr. 8), Andre (gr. 8), Cole (gr. 8), Rami (gr. 8), Elijah (gr. 8), Tommy (gr. 8), Matthew (gr. 8), Richard (gr. 7), Peter (gr. 7)

Congratulations boys! Looking forward to a great season!



Thank you to our students in Ms. Belcastro's Grade 3 class for preparing for the **Chinese New Year**, Happy Chinese New Year! Gong hei fat choy! Gong xi fa cai!

The Catholic Women's League of Canada, Good Shepherd Parish, Youth Awards Program is a combination of contests which support Catholic youth to hone their skills in becoming people of faith dedicated to following in the footsteps of Christ.

Congratulations to Iris M. (Grade 7) who placed 1st in the Mary Matthews Public Speaking with her presentation entitled "God." Iris will continue to the regionals being held in March.

Congratulations to Trinity S. (Grade 7) who placed 2nd in the Mary Matthews Public Speaking with her presentation entitled "Beauty."





Civvies Day: Students will be invited to wear Valentine colours on Friday, February 14th, 2020. Donations will not be necessary on this day. There will be a Civvies Day on Friday February 28th, 2020, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada are appreciated.



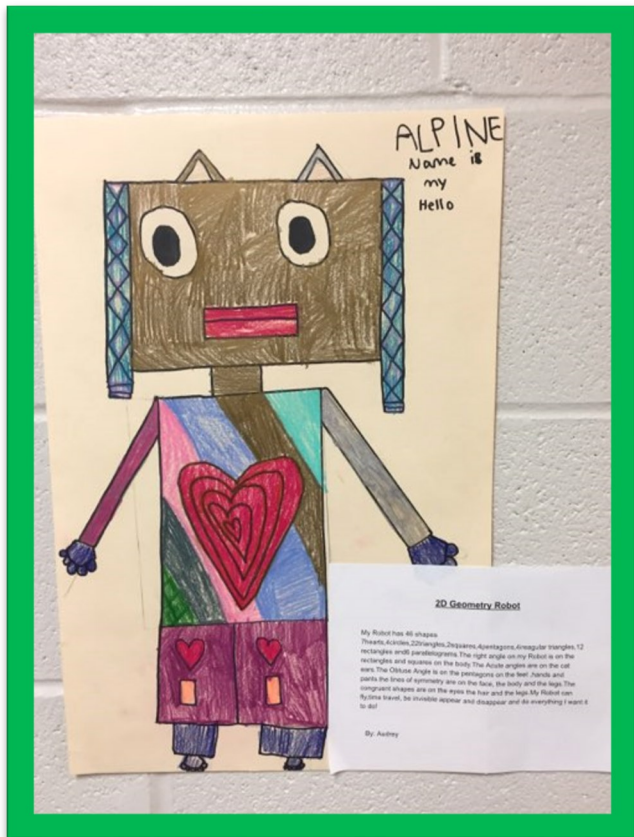
As the weather continues to be cold please ensure that your child(ren) are dressed warmly for outdoor recess.

Please remember a warm coat/snowpants, hat, mittens and boots. A change of clothing is helpful if items get wet or muddy.

Catholic



Our next Catholic School Council meeting will be held Thursday February 6th, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the library



Shrove Tuesday February 25th, students will enjoy pancakes provided by our Catholic School Council. (if you do not wish your child to receive a pancake please notify the office)

Ash Wednesday February 26th, please join us at Good Shepherd Parish at 10:45 am.



VALENTINE COOKIEGRAMS!!



*Send a COOKIE with a
MESSAGE of KINDNESS and FRIENDSHIP
to anyone at school!!*



Terra Cotta Heart Shape Cookies will be on sale for \$1.00 starting Thursday January 30 - Wednesday February 5



Cookies will be delivered to students on Valentine's Day!



Valentine goodies (pencils, erasers, notepads, etc) will also be on sale for \$0.50-\$1.00 during Valentines Week.



All proceeds collected will support the Heart & Stroke Foundation and Covenant House.

