

The Belleau Beacon



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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents & Guardians,

With October upon us, the cold winds let us know winter is on the way, and it is easy to understand why this is the season for being thankful for all the blessings that we have. In line with this being the month of Thanksgiving, our Virtue is that of Gratitude. Students will be exploring what it means to be truly thankful for all the blessings God has given us, and this theme will be celebrated in our monthly Mass.

This October is additionally special as it marks the first canonization of an Aboriginal person, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha (1658-1680). She was beatified by Blessed Pope John Paul II in 1980 and canonized by Pope Benedict XVI at Saint Peter's Basilica this month on October 21st. Various Miracles and supernatural events are attributed to her intercession, and it is with great pride she is welcomed as a Saint. Her image can be seen in a beautiful stain glass representation in our own Christ the King Church here in Moosonee.

I would like to remind everyone of some upcoming important dates and events. First off on Wednesday, Oct 31st MPS will be hosting a Halloween themed carnival with games and activities for students in the Gym. Our classes have been invited to participate for a period and the cost is \$4.00 per student. This opportunity is completely voluntary and regular class work will be provided to any students who do not wish to participate. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Another important upcoming date is that of Parent / Teacher Conferences / BBQ on Thursday, November 15, from 5-8pm. This night allows parents to talk with their teacher in an informal or formal setting regarding the student's progress report.

- Informal conversations can be had with your child's teacher from 5:00 to 7:00pm during the BBQ. **OR,**
- Formal private conversations can be booked for 10 minutes from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Private appointments can be booked ahead of time by contacting the school or your

child's teacher, or signed up for on the night of the event on a sheet outside your child's classroom.

Progress reports will be mailed home on November 7th, and teachers will have a copy on hand to discuss on the night of our conferences. In addition, we will be having **our first draw for a computer package (hard drive, flat screen monitor, keyboard, and mouse)** on this night.

- Draw is only for parents/guardians of current BBS students who are present at the time of the draw. If a winner is not present, a new name will be drawn.
- Draw will be held at the end of the BBQ/informal part of the night, at 7:00pm. Please see your child's teacher to receive your draw ticket when you arrive at school. *one ticket per student family.

Also this month, we will be attending the **Remembrance Day Service** on Friday, November 9th, from 10:30 to 11:30 in the Northern College Gym. In attendance will be the staff and students of BBS, NLSS, MPS, a variety of Veterans and their families, and community members. All parents are also welcome to attend.

I would also like to take this opportunity to again invite all interested parents and guardians to join us in forming our parent council, with the first meeting set for Wednesday, November 7th at 6:30 pm. You can contact the school to confirm you attendance. Thank you ☺

On a final note, we are very happy to report that our **NEW PLAY STRUCTURE** is now completed and being enjoyed by our students!! This project was made possible by donations and grants from many local companies, the school board, and individual schools, and we thank them all sincerely.

"With God we make a difference"

Sincerely,

Heath Hough

Heath Hough, Principal



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Our new playground equipment!

Thank you to all who made this possible.



THANK YOU





Students of the Month—September



Principal's Award to:



Reine Peruelo, Gr. 7

For reading above and beyond the call of duty.

Neitayhe Tourville, JK

Neitayhe was chosen because she always participates in class; she is eager to learn and she is a very helpful student.

Brian Wesley, Gr. 1

Brian works very hard when completing tasks. He puts a lot of details into his writing and listens to his friends and teachers. Wow! Great work!

Antonio Wesley, Gr. 3

Antonio has made many new friends. He has been working really

hard to complete his work. Good job!!

Paula Peruelo, Gr. 6

She works very hard in class. She always finishes her work on time. Paula participates in class and is always willing to lend a hand. Great work Paula!

Reine Peruelo, Gr. 7

She expresses great enthusiasm in the work she does, and is persistent in her reading goals.

Taylor Nakogee-Naveau—Native-as-a-Second-Language

He is doing very well in Cree class and reading the Cree syllabics. Keep it up, Taylor!

Paula Peruelo, Gr. 6—French-as-a-Second-Language

For always trying and doing great work.

School News...



Visit us at our website:
www.ncdsb.on.ca



Breakfast Program:

The Breakfast Program has been underway for a few weeks now.

Scholastic Book Fair:

The Book Fair in September was very successful; thank you all!

School Mass:

Our school Mass was on Tuesday, October 23rd at 10:00 a.m. at the Christ the King Church celebrated by Bishop Cadieux. Everyone is always welcome to attend our monthly school Masses!

School Pictures:

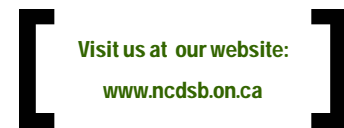
School pictures were taken on Friday, October 26th in the morning for all students. Orders will be sent home with the students once we receive them.

All Saints' Day—Thursday, November 1, 2012

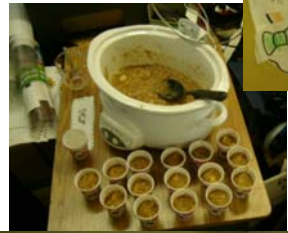
On the solemnity of All Saints, we celebrate all the saints, living in the fullness of life in Christ. The Gospel tells us how to become saints.

All Souls' Day—Friday, November 2, 2012

Today is the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. To commemorate someone is to remember them. Today we remember and pray for all the faithful who have died. In today's Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who come to him will enjoy eternal life.



JK/SK Class:
making and tasting
applesauce



By the Grade 5/6s

Story time in
JK/SK



Reading
in Gr. 5/6

