

St. Jerome Journal

February 2016

A Valentíne Prayer

| said a valentine prayer for you and asked the Lord above to fill your heart and bless your soul

With the precious gift of love. | asked Him for sincere love, the kind that's meant

to stay just like the generous love you

give to those you touch each day. | prayed for love from family and from every cherished friend then | asked the Lord to give you His love that knows no end.

February's virtue is Forgiveness

The importance of Forgiveness:

The practice of forgiveness is an invaluable stepping-stone to peace. It is one means to healing one self and healing our relationships with others. Forgiveness can be characterized as:

- a choice to reconcile,
- an attitude about setting things right,
- a compassionate way of communicating,
- a specific action, and
- an ongoing, lifelong process.

Above all, forgiveness expresses kindness. Otherwise, without forgiveness tremendous amounts of resentment or hurt can build-up within.

Report Cards

The report card for Term 1 will be going home on Wednesday, February 17th, 2016. Please watch for them...

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Junior Kindergarten Registration

Registration for the 2016-17 school year was held at all Northeastern Catholic District School Board



elementary schools on: Tuesday, January 26th, 2016. If you missed this date, please call the school at 705-567-5800 to make arrangements to

come in at a future date. Junior Kindergarten -Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31st, 2016 Please spread the word...

Shrove Tuesday

With the help of some parent volunteers, we will be serving pancakes to our students on Tuesday, February 9th for their morning snack.

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday, February 10th we will be having an Ash Wednesday celebration in our gymnasium beginning at 9:00 a.m. Please join us!

Dog Sled Races

We are welcoming Ravens Adventures from Cochrane to our school on Friday, February 12th for the day. They have a team of dogs and a sleigh and will be providing rides for our students in our school yard. Please make sure to complete the permission form so that your child can participate.

Open House

We will be hosting an Open House for our 2016-2017 registrants on Wednesday, February 24th in our FDK Classes from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Public Speaking

Congratulations to Laiken McGinnis who will be representing St. Jerome School on February 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion's annual Public Speaking Contest. Good Luck Laiken!

Snowshoeing – Grade 3

We have three snowshoeing sessions planned for our Grade 3 students on February 9th, 16th and 23rd beginning at 1:00 p.m. Students will be bussed to the Complex at 12:40 p.m. and should return to school by 2:30 p.m. on those dates.

Student Information

It is most important that we have up-to-date records of your address, phone numbers, and emergency contacts in the event that the school must contact you regarding your child. If there have been any changes, please ensure that we have your most current information.

Rough Play

While outside during recess students sometimes find themselves engaging in inappropriate activities that involve rough play. Pushing, shoving, tackling, play fighting and wrestling are all unacceptable activities that compromise student safety. Please reinforce with your children the inherent dangers of rough play, even when the intent is fun.

2016-2017 School Year Calendar Consultation

After consultation with our co-terminus boards with whom we share bussing, we are looking for input on the 2016 – 2017 School Year Calendar. We've created a Survey Monkey which will be found on our website under the "What's New" section or you can access it by copying and pasting

<u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VP9YHG9</u> into your web browser. Thank you in advance for your input into our decision process.

Subway Lunch



We are offering a Subway Lunch to our students on Wednesday, February 24th. Please make sure that you have completed and turned in your order form.

Reminder – PA Day

The school will be closed on Monday, February 29th for our recently added Professional Activity Day.