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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents:

January has come and gone with rain, snow, high winds and chilly nights all mixed into the month's weather. Students, however, have stayed on an even course during this month of growth. Grades 4 to 8 have successfully begun their Reading Group instruction based on their current needs while Grades JK to 3 are enjoying their Reading Club which is in progress during Wednesday's lunch period. Plans for helping more at risk students are firmly underway.

With January drawing to a close, we look forward to Feb-

ruary with its hearts and valentines. The 100th day of school falls in February: a day marked by special activities in the primary grades. Added to this, starting on Friday afternoons we will begin aboriginal studies throughout the school. Grades 4 to 8 will be taking part in the program "Walking the Path", while the younger students will be getting together to hear and read stories and complete crafts.

February's virtue of the month is Temperance, better known as Self Control. Learning to self-regulate one's own behavior is a process in maturity that goes a long way in help-

ing a person make friends and fulfill their own needs in an acceptable manner.

In all, February is going to be a jam packed month of learning and growth: a month to embrace the cold with warm hearts; a month to become better loving people by God's grace.

"With God we make a difference"

Sincerely,

Linda Pilgrim, Principal



"Let It Snowman" JK/SK Class



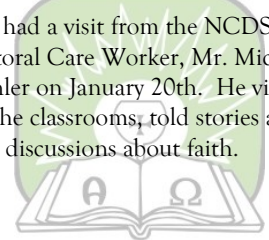
Courage -presented by JK/SK Class

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Faith & Pastoral Care

We had a visit from the NCDSB Pastoral Care Worker, Mr. Michael Buhler on January 20th. He visited all the classrooms, told stories and had discussions about faith.



POWER INTERRUPTION

February 16, 2011 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.
Updates will follow.



No Classes for students on Monday, February 21—Family Day, & Friday, February 25 - P.D. Day for Staff.





Students of the Month—January 2011



Theme of the Month for February **Temperance (Self Control)**

Principal's Award to:

Gwen Nakogee, Gr. 2

Gwen consistently tries hard even when she finds the work difficult. Her effort to learn will take her far.

Teagan Sutherland, JK

Teagan is a good friend to her classmates. She is attentive and learning so much at school.

Rayden Solomon, Gr. 1

Rayden was chosen for student of the month because of excel-

lent work habits and for always being willing to help his classmates.

Easton Gunner, Gr. 2

Easton has been punctual all month. He has a lot of great ideas that he shares in read-aloud and group discussions.

Shade Martin-Sutherland, Gr. 4

She is regularly in school. Shade is working hard to complete her work. She completes her homework regularly.

Patricia Koostachin, Gr. 8

For getting caught up on her

work, passing her science test, and coming on time three days in a row!

Alicia Sutherland, Gr. 7, French-as-a-Second Language

Alicia volunteers answers most of the time and is a very neat worker.

Gabriel Jardino, SK, Native- as-a-Second Language

Gabriel is doing good work. He tries very hard to learn the Cree language and is making some progress. Thank you, Gabriel.

ORDINARY TIME WINTER
2011 Monday, January 10, to
Tuesday, March 8

THE MEANING OF ORDINARY TIME

Advent filled our hearts with quiet hope and Christmas brought us warmth and light and joy. Now it is Ordinary Time again, but we are not the same people we were during the last Ordinary Time. Our bodies have been growing and changing, we have learned new things, and our friendships have deepened. But even more

important than all these things, we are not the same as we were before because we have opened our hearts and minds to God's love.

Jesus tells that the kingdom also has another quality. Not only does it grow in a miraculous way, the kingdom is like a pearl, precious beyond everything else.

Imagine spending your whole life searching for the most precious pearl. When you finally find it, how would you recognize it? Would searching for pearls help you learn something

about them? During Ordinary Time this winter, we will see how the Gospels reflect on the quest "When and how did the world first come to see that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Living God?" It seems that God willed that the truth would dawn on us slowly and that different people would have many different ways of coming to believe in Jesus. Even for us today, our faith in Christ is constantly deepening and strengthening as we recognize his gifts and power with ever-greater understanding.

From Mary Caswell Walsh

Children's Daily Prayer 2010-2011



Santa's annual visit to BBS



School News...

Santa made his annual visit to BBS with treats for the students.

Reading Club: for SK to Gr. 3, held every Wednesday in the school library during lunch hour.

Reading group for Gr. 4 to 8: a pizza lunch is held the last Friday of each month for those invited.

Upcoming events:

Tuesday, Feb. 15: Flag Day—wear red and white to school

Monday, Feb. 21: Family Day

Wednesday, Feb. 23: Report Cards go home

Thursday, Feb. 24: Gr. 8 Go to College Event

Thursday, Feb. 24: School Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 24: Interview night 6:00- 8:00 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 25: PD Day

Friday, Feb. 25: 9:00-12:00

Interview morning

Voucher Draw

Draw prize # 1: Sonja (\$20 Gift certificate to Siva's Restaurant; \$25 Gift certificate to GG's in Moose Factory sponsored by DeLaplante Insurance; 1 Giga bite Memory stick from Ontera; 20 cm

ruler/calculator from Great North Builders Supply as well as Sticky notes/pen/marker; Notepad with pen/hand sanitizer & cap)

Draw prize # 2: Dwayne (Clipboard with calculator, pen, marker, pencil from Great North Builders Supply)

Draw prize # 3: Christian (Pen/marker, notepad and cap from Great North Builders Supply)

Draw prize # 4: Ivan (Pen/ marker, notepad and cap from Great North Builders Supply)

Congratulations to all the winners!

