



# The Belleau Beacon



Bishop Belleau School

Theme *Humility*

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians:

After some tense moments with the river and the break up, it seems we can once again get settled into spring and start wrapping up the final events of the school year. We are currently in the middle of our Catholic Education Week, with a variety of activities going on in each of the classes. So far this week, in addition to class activities, we have had Father Maboe visit us to talk about the life of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the Catholic Church's 4<sup>th</sup> canonized Native American Saint. We have also had 4 exchange students visit the school for several days from one of our Board's southern schools, Sacred Heart Catholic School in Kirkland Lake. These students joined ours in Catholic Education Week activities, stayed over the weekend, and made new friends here in Moosonee. Two of our students have returned with them to complete the exchange, and are now attending classes at their school. Our Mass this week will be held on Thursday, May 23,

at 11:00 a.m., celebrating the virtue of the month, Humility. All are invited to attend. Other events this month include an all day visit from the Science Travels group, which brings university students and graduate students into our school to present a wide variety of science presentations and experiments to our students. This will take place on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. We will also welcome a visit from Mr. Michael Buhler from O'Gorman Intermediate School with 12 middle school and high school drama students. They will be putting on a play for our school that will take place on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to attend, please contact the school for more information. Mother's Day is celebrated this Sunday, May 12, when all the sons and daughters of our community will remember to thank their Mothers for all the great things they have done for them over the years. We would like to wish every Mother a joy-

filled and happy day, celebrating all the incredibly important jobs you do. ☺

In addition, on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> is a holiday, Victoria Day, and there will be no classes for students or staff. We hope everyone enjoys a happy day of rest.

Starting May 27<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup> will be our yearly Provincial EQAO testing time for students in Grades 3 and 6, and students will participate in a modified schedule to allow for testing in Mathematics and Language. We know they will make us proud by trying their best! ☺ I wish everyone a happy and safe spring, with good hunting, fishing, and lots of loving family time.

*"With God We Make A Difference"*

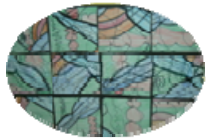
Sincerely,

*Heath Hough*

Heath Hough, Principal

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Special points of interest:

- *Students of the Month*
- *Kindergarten Registration*
- *Catholic Education Week Activities*
- *INSERT: Home & School Connection: 2013 Resources for Educators, a division of CCH Incorporated*
- *May 20-Victoria Day-no classes*

**Mother's Day** May 12



Catholic Education Week

**Growing Together in Faith**

MAY 5—10, 2013



Victoria Day holiday, Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>; no classes for students & staff.

*French Café*  
-Thursday,  
May 30<sup>th</sup>



Getting ready for Mother's Day

Soccer!  
See schedules around the community.



Rearranged Doodle Art, Gr. 5/6



# Students of the Month—April 2013



**Principal's Award to:**  
**Kyle Nakogee-Naveau, Gr. 4**  
Making great improvements in behaviour, work and attitude this year!



**Nancy Kamalatisit, SK**  
Nancy has been working hard in class and is always willing to help others.

**Taria Chakasim, Gr. 2**  
Taria has worked very hard and has made great progress in her reading ability. She works well with others and helps out around the classroom!

**Benny Crowe, Gr. 3**  
Benny has had perfect attendance for the month of April. Good job!

**Mercedes Sparling, Gr. 6**  
Working hard to come to school regularly and getting a lot of her work done on time. She also asks for help from other students or the teacher when needed.

**Margaret Wheesk, Gr. 7**  
Developed a strong focus for completing tasks and assignments on time, and with asking for assistance (self-advocacy).

**Nancy Kamalatisit, SK, Native-as-a-Second Language**  
Nancy is doing great work in Cree class. She is learning the language and numbers. She likes to sing the Cree syllabics. Congratulations!

**Nathaniel Tippeneskum, Gr. 4, French-as-a-Second Language**  
Nathaniel participated in every class, worked hard, and listened to instructions very well. He completed all of the assigned work and applied himself 100%.

## Kindergarten Registrations



At Bishop Belleau School during Catholic Education Week. *Monday, May 6 to Friday, May 10, 2013.* Now is the time to register your child for the 2013-2014 school year if they were born in the year 2009. Full day Kindergarten. You will require the following to register your child: 0 Birth certificate 0 Baptismal certificate 0 Immunization Card

## School News...

**Parent Council Meeting**  
The Parent Council meeting will be held on Friday, May 10th at 6:00 p.m. All welcome to attend!

**Exchange Students** Four students and a teacher from the Sacred Heart School in Kirkland Lake came to visit our school on Friday, May 3rd until Monday, May 6. Two of our students and a teacher also left with them to their school in Kirkland Lake. They will return on May 9th.

**Catholic Education Week**  
Starting Sunday, May 5th until May 10th, Catholic Education Week will be celebrated. This year theme is "Growing Together in Faith". JK registrations will be accepted during Catholic Education Week 9:00 to 4:30. The following are daily activities during Catholic Education Week:

**Monday, May 6th:** -Creation of a large display of a tree with roots in scripture and bible verses on leaves. A review of the apostles creed and affirmation by students Reading the Happiness Tree and accompanying activity. Prayer service of the day.



**Tuesday, May 7th:**  
Aboriginal perspectives on Catholic Education lesson. Prayer service of the day.  
**Wednesday, May 8th:** Father Maboe to talk about Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Explanation of the Rosary – Activity to make an oversized Rosary for display. Read aloud of the day. Prayer Service of the day.  
**Thursday, May 9th:**  
Painting activity to illustrate faith that is witnessed. Learning about St. Kateri Tekakwitha (aboriginal Saint). Prayer service of the day  
**Friday, May 10th:** Mother's / guardians day Tea and Celebration (primary). Prayer service of the day.  
**Wednesday, May 15th:** Potluck lunch for parents (junior) with special scripture readings. This was rescheduled from May 7th.



### Science Travels

On May 9th, Science Travels from the University of Ottawa will again visit our school.

**M. Buhler & O'Gorman Students' Visit**  
On May 14, Mr. Buhler and students from the O'Gorman high school in Timmins will visit out school. The group will do a 1 hour play for BBS students on Wednesday, May 15th at the Church. Thank you to Mr. Buhler and the students of O'Gorman for coming to Moosonee and sharing their talents.

**Gr. 8 Orientation**  
Our Grade 8 students will be going to Northern Lights Secondary School for Orientation on June 4th and 5th.

### SCIENCE TRAVELS at BBS



Picture of St. Kateri Tekakwitha presented to the school from Christ the King Church.

Kirkland Lake Exchange students with their teacher