



# THE ALL-STAR GAZETTE

FEBRUARY 2013

ST. PAUL SCHOOL — TIMMINS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- ★ Valentine's Day  
Celebration from 2-3 on  
February 14th
- ★ Family Day—Monday,  
Feb. 18th—NO SCHOOL
- ★ Report Cards go home  
on Wednesday, February  
20th
- ★ Annual Pink Shirt Day—  
Anti-Bullying Feb. 27th



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## A Message from the Principal

February is proving to be a busy month at St. Paul School! We are looking forward to seeing many families out for our Family Math Night on Wednesday, February 6th. This was postponed from last week due to the weather. The good news is though, we are now providing supper 6:15. Please indicate whether or not you plan to attend and how many people will be coming by filling out the form that went home.

On Shrove Tuesday (Feb. 12th), students will be treated to another FREE pancake and sausage breakfast. If there are any parents who could help with the serving of this meal, please contact the school ASAP. We would need volunteers between 8:15 and 9:15 or so. Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw contest in January. Candice Garton and Melody Saman went on to represent our school at the Regional Contest on the 2nd of February.

We will have an Ash Wednesday Prayer Service on Wednesday, February 13th at 9:00 in the school gym. Deacon Jake will preside over this service. Please feel free to join us if you wish.

February 4th marks the beginning of the second term of school. Report Cards for first term will go home on Wednesday, February 20th. Please be sure to review the report and return the 3rd page by Friday, February 22nd. Though there will not be formal interviews scheduled for this term, should you wish to meet with your child's teacher, please contact her/him at your convenience. A review of each student's attendance will also be completed. Letters will be sent home shortly and requests for meetings will be made. There continue to be a number of children whose attendance is of great concern. It is in everyone's best interest to ensure that students are at school consistently and on-time. At this point in the

year, any student who has missed more than 10 days of school is of concern. We know that absenteeism is the single, greatest factor in poor academic progress. Let's work together to combat this problem at our school. Next year's JK students are children born in 2009, and our registration is ongoing. If you have not yet registered your child or requested a registration package, please call the school at your earliest convenience. Also, if you know of any friends or families that are undecided about which school to send their child to next year, please invite them to contact me. I would love to show them what a wonderful school St. Paul is! Finally, Wednesday, February 27th marks the Annual Pink Shirt Day. Let's all put on some pink to support this important Anti-Bullying campaign.

Sincerely,  
D. Brumwell



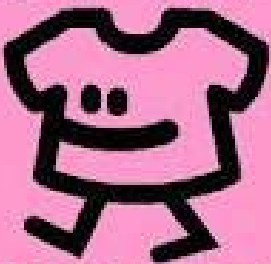
## 2013 PINK SHIRT DAY

**WHEN:** Wednesday, February 27th, 2013  
**WHAT & WHY:** Wear Pink as a symbol of your support that we, as a society, will not tolerate bullying anywhere!

**INCENTIVE**—Every student who wears Pink to school will be counted. The class with the most wearing pink will win a prize!



WEAR PINK



STOP BULLYING



Are your children on time for school each day?

Our School Day begins at 8:50 am. Students who arrive late miss important instruction in language and/or mathematics and are a disruption to the classroom.



OUR SCHOOL

VISION...

Parents, Students and Staff Promoting Achievement, Understanding & Spirituality

**UPCOMING MARCH EVENTS**

- Family Movie Night—March 1st at 6:30 pm
- Winter Carnival—Friday, March 8th
- March Break—Monday, March 11th to Friday, March 15th

**OUR ALL-STAR FAMILIES**



Those of you who have recently been in the school will notice we have posted all the family pictures taken on our Parent-Portfolio night in November. If you were not here for the Parent-Portfolio night, we don't have a picture of your family...and this just won't do! We are asking all families who were unable to join us that day to send us a 4 x 6 picture to put up on the board. If you don't have a picture handy, please let us know and we will do our best to find an opportunity to take a picture of you the next time your are in. We would love to see each and every one of our families represented on this wall!

**LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER**

Our students LOVE the iPads that we have been able to purchase for 4 of our classrooms! As such, we are trying to raise some money to purchase more of them. If you have not already sent in the green form requesting an order form, please do so at your earliest convenience. If you are unable to assist with the fundraising campaign at this time, you are more than welcome to place your own order using the green form. Many thanks to those of you who have agreed to participate and/or have placed your own order!

Our Grade 6's will be required to participate in this campaign. All of the proceeds from the sales they accumulate will go towards the end of year Gr. 6 trip rather than iPads.



**REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE**

1. **Food Orders**—Please note that the office does not have change available. It is very important that you send the correct change in with your child's food order. It is also important that food orders are sent in separately for each food type. Each order is calculated separately and often different staff members are responsible for different food days. Please put the money for each separate order in a Ziploc or envelope and send them in that way.
2. **BUS CANCELLATION DAYS**—Hopefully we will not see too many more of these this year, however, you are reminded that when there are no buses in the morning, there are no buses all day. We are always more than happy to have you drop your children off on these days, however you must make arrangements to have them picked



**MATH IS FUN!**

**How many times?**

One minute can be a long time or a short time, depending on what you do with it. Estimate for each activity and then try these challenges to see what you can do in one minute.

How many times do you think you can print your name in one minute? Try it.

How many times do you think you can throw a ball up in the air and catch it in one minute? Try it.

How many jumps do you think you can do in one minute? Try it.

Use your calculator to see how many times you could have done each of these things in one hour, if you had kept the same pace. How long would it take you do each thing 100 times? 1000 times? 10000 times?