



St. Martins School

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Holiday Card Winner from St. Martins School

Back in the late fall an email came out from the District Office saying there was a design competition for the Holiday Card for the new Anglophone School District – South. Teachers from across the new district were invited to submit their students’ work.

Our very own art teacher, Mrs. Bennett, took up the challenge with her middle school classes and from all the entries, Grace Langille was the winner!

Superintendent Zoe Watson and Director of Enrichment Dan Vallis came to our school on December 20th to present Grace with a framed copy of her card. It was an exciting day for Grace, Mrs. Bennett and the school as we celebrated this great accomplishment

Jersey Day

On Friday, January 18, we had a Jersey Day in support of Mariah Ellis. Mariah is a former student of the school who will be travelling to Mexico for medical treatment of MS. All the money raised

on Friday will go to the family. If anyone wants to donate, the school is still accepting money for the family.

School Secretary

Debbie Huttges will be working here until at least the end of February as our secretary. Although Wendy Clark is still set to arrive, Debbie will remain until Wendy officially takes up the position. Debbie has been a great help to the school and we look forward to working with her as long as we can.

Teacher Changes

Early in February, Mrs. Kennedy will be starting her maternity leave. Her replacement is Miss Riley who has been a regular supply teacher over the past couple of years. We wish Mrs. Kennedy all the best and enjoy the time off with your new baby. Also, Miss MacKenzie started a new position at St. Patrick’s School that will take her until the end of June. In her place

is Miss Lawlor who will be here until April when we will see Mrs. Robinson.

Home & School

A big thanks goes out to the Home & School Association for the breakfast they made for the students before the Christmas Break. Many of them were here well before school started making sure all went well. The students really enjoyed the egg sandwiches and the pizza for lunch too.

Family Literacy Day

Sunday, January 27, is Family Literacy Day in Canada. Take some time on that Sunday to read with your children. You may want to all sit down and read a book out loud together or spend some time looking through their favourite magazine or even taking a look at the novels they are reading at school. Whatever you do, take a few minutes and read with your children and enjoy the time together.

Dates to Remember

EYE-DA Testing	Jan. 24-25
Grade 8 Bottle Drive	Jan. 26
Family Literacy Day	Jan. 27
High School Forms going home	Feb. 8
Simonds High Open House	Feb. 11
St. Mac’s Open House	Feb. 12
SJHS Open House	Feb. 13
High School Forms due back	Feb. 21
Gr. 4/5 to Sam de Cham trip	Feb. 18
March Break	Mar. 4-8

EYE-DA Testing

A reminder for those parents who have children entering kindergarten next year, the EYE-DA appointments are on January 24 & 25. If you are unsure about your time, please call the school for an update.

Entering the School

A reminder to all parents

that when you enter the building for any reason you must report to the office and let the secretary know you are here. This makes us aware and helps us to identify who is in the building at all times.

(Right) Grace receives her framed winning holiday card from Zoe Watson and Dan Vallis. Mrs. Bennett is her art teacher.



David Goss at St. Martins School

Well-known author and story teller David Goss was our guest in early December when he came to the school and told stories to all the grades. His interest has always been New Brunswick and the stories he hears from people. Throughout the morning he told tall tales to the classes that ranged from ghosts on the Harbour Bridge to how the Bay of Fundy got its tide. In the afternoon he worked with several students in a Writer's Workshop and helped them to develop their writing and story telling skills.

(Right) David Goss working with Sophie and Emma during the Writer's Workshop.



(Above) Mrs. Pitman and her class making gingerbread men.



(Above) Students and their apple chip project.



(Above) Frasier showing his decorated gingerbread man.

(Right) Students at the Empty Stocking Fund at SJHS in November.



(Below right) Mr. Aldous at the ESF ready at the piano.



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