

SJS-Great Things Happen Here!



October has flown by and we cannot believe Christmas is around the corner! Students have been busy here at St. John School sharpening the saw with Cross Country Running, Soccer, and Swimming.

Students in Gr. 4-6 have been busy learning about local biodiversity and habitat in their Northern studies class. Students participated in a Nature walk with the MNR&F to explore Red Lake's natural habitat!

Grade 4-6 Explore Red Lake's natural habitat during nature walk



What is Parent Lighthouse?

Parent Lighthouse is St. John School's Catholic Parent Council. Parent Council meets once a month in the staff room, on the first Wednesday of the month. Meetings are from 6:00pm-7:00pm.

Parent lighthouse is also organizing the SJS Christmas Bazaar, if you are interested in helping or putting in a table, contact the office.

If you are interested in finding out more or joining, new members are always welcome.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- Wednesday December 6, 2017
- Wednesday January 10, 2018
- Wednesday February 7, 2018



SJS Junior Soccer Team win 1st place in local Tournament.

STUDENT LIGHTHOUSE SPIRIT DAYS

SJS Student Lighthouse Team have been meeting to discuss Spirit Days! Spirit days are a fun filled way to celebrate and build relationships. Watch for these fun dates.

November 2017

- November 15: Rock your Moc Day (wear mocassins)
- November 20: Pink Shirt Day
- November 30: Pajama Day

December 2017

- December 8: Festive Friday
- December 15: Christmas Colour Day
- December 18: Merry Morning Monday- Christmas Pajama Day

Our Gr. 1-2 Class held a food drive for their Thanksgiving Prayer Service. Grade 7-8 helped with Peak of the Market donations. All donations went to local community projects for families in need.



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SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS AND THE LEADER IN ME!

The Gr. 7-8 class has been working very hard on their service-learning project called the "Hot Drink Drive". Using Habit #2, Begin with the End in Mind, students discussed as a class what was important to them, and planned ways they could help.

The Hot Drink Drive is a drink drive to supply the Red Lake Emergency Shelter with warm beverages to help those stay warm in the winter months, such as coffee and tea. The class goal was to bring in 50,000 grams of hot beverages during the month of November.

The Grade 7-8 class created tracking sheets for each classroom, created home notes, and voice messages to get the word out about their initiative. Student leaders go to each classroom daily to gather any items donated, they track progress so that it is visible for the school community, and have created celebrations throughout the month geared towards increasing donations. These students have taken responsibility for what they are doing in the classroom, because it really matters to them. Way to go Gr. 7-8!

Why is tracking progress important?

When asked why is tracking progress is important students said "they track their progress to know how close they are to achieving their goal. It also helps us know which class has donated the most items".

Why are celebrations important?

Students say that celebrations are important because "it helps students feel proud of their success, and it also helps students bring in more items". Currently students have planned a "sock hop" to celebrate bringing in 15,000 grams before the middle of November.



The Gr. 7-8 class are working hard at gathering and tracking hot beverages for their Hot Drink Drive!

Students keep track of school totals.



Upcoming Family Events:

Sunday November 26, 2017

SJS Christmas Bazaar

12:00-4:00pm

Crafts, goodies, and treats will be sold!

Tues December 19, Wed December 20

SJS Christmas Concerts

6:30pm Both Nights

Important Dates:

Nov 14: Progress Reports Home

Nov 17: Friendship Centre Taco Day

Nov 20: Mix it up Breakfast

Nov 20-Nov 24: Bullying Awareness Week.

Nov 22: Volleyball Tournament

Nov 22: Parent Teacher Interviews

Nov 26: SJS Christmas Bazaar

Nov 27: PD Day

Nov 28: Advent Prayer Service 1

Dec 4: Advent Prayer Service 2

Dec 12: Advent Prayer Service 3

Dec 19-20: Christmas Concert

Dec 22-January 8: Christmas Holidays

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St John School Habits at Home

What are we learning?

Habit 1: Be Proactive

1. Pause and Respond
2. Use Proactive Language
3. Focus on your Circle

Change Starts with ME!

At school, your child is learning that EVERYONE can be a leader. You can model leadership by using positive and proactive language with your child.

This Month's Family Project is all about Habit 1: Be Proactive. When you are Proactive, you focus only on the things you can control. During these busy months of winter it is easy to lose track of "Our Circles".

As a family brainstorm several situations you can control (other people, the weather, etc.) Also, make a list of several things that you can control (yourself, your words, etc.) Think

of creative ways to display your family's circle of control! Ask your children for help, they are the experts.

Here is an example of Circles of Control. Think of a way to display your Families' Circle of Control.

Families that participate will be entered into a draw! Please send in a picture of your Families' Circle before Tuesday November 28, 2017.

Families' Circles will be Displayed in the office.



Leader in Me at SJS



Grade 4-5 Class celebrate their classroom literacy WIG!

Students apply for leadership roles within the school. Here is our Custodian Leaser helping our School Community.



Sunshine Team welcomes new students with Welcome cards!



Students use Summits to share their voice and opinions about events/activities within the school

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