

## Students celebrate 100 days of school



*Elementary school students celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of the school year last Friday with some fun activities to mark the day. At St. John de Brebeuf, grade 1 to 3 students came up with creative ways to wear 100 items. Games and lessons also focused on the number 100. Pictured are some of the students in their creative attire to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school.*

*Photo by Steve l'Anson*

# Kindergarten Open House at St. Anthony



Kinley Maertens visited St. Anthony Catholic School in Harrow last week during their kindergarten open house to tour her future classrooms and meet with staff members.



St. Anthony Catholic School hosted a kindergarten open house on Wednesday February 11 to welcome future students including Aidan Clogg, pictured above, who took the opportunity to explore some of the toys in his future classrooms.

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## ST. WILLIAM



Photo courtesy of Joe Bachetti

**Red and white:** St. William Catholic School was a sea of red last Friday's special assembly, not for Valentine's Day though but to commemorate our country's national flag born in 1965. Over 600 students and staff listened to the history on how our beloved flag came into effect. Thank you to our grade eights for organizing this for our students to enjoy and showing civic leadership!

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



Photo courtesy of Fran Hall

**Hat Day:** The students of SJB participated in the "Hats On For Healthcare", a fundraising event for the hospitals that serve the Windsor/Essex County area. For a \$2.00 donation, students sported a variety of hats that reflected their creativity. The spirit of generosity is alive and well at SJB.



Grade 7 students Onya Airgid and Aiden Friend deliver candy grams to kindergarten students Sophia Qin, far left, and Gracie Hillman last Friday. Shoreline Week photo: Bill Englund

## ST. JOHN VIANNEY In memory of Mrs. Marchand

Students at St. John Vianney Catholic School held a very thoughtful tribute to Kristine Marchand, their secretary who died suddenly in January as a result of an undiagnosed brain aneurysm.

Mrs. Marchand was adored by the staff and students at the school and she'll always be remembered for her smiling face when you walked into the office and the gentle, kind voice at the other end of the phone.

Mrs. Rovinelli, another staff member at St. John Vianney also suffers from this condition, but is moni-

tored and well taken care of by the staff and doctors at Windsor Regional Hospital.

### \$1,200 raised

The Grade 7 class that Mrs. Rovinelli works in came up with the idea to have a fundraiser in memory of Mrs. Marchand.

They sold Valentine's Day candy grams and raised \$1,200 for the Neuro Department at WRH to assist those who have suffered from a brain aneurysm.

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## ST. WILLIAM *National Flag Day*



St. William Catholic School was a sea of red at last week's special assembly, not for Valentine's Day, but to also commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Canadian flag. Over 600 students and staff listened to the history on how our beloved flag came into effect. Thank you to our Grade 8s for organizing this for our students to enjoy and showing civic leadership!

Photo courtesy of Joe Baccetti

February 20, 2015

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## ST. JOSEPH'S H.S.



**The  
Maple  
Leaf  
forever!**

**Celebrating  
50 years  
of the  
Canadian  
flag**

**TRUE PATRIOT LOVE!** St. Joseph's Catholic High School students unfurl a giant Canadian flag last Friday during a special ceremony to commemorate its 50th anniversary. This particular flag has a history of its own — 20 years ago at a unity rally held in downtown Montreal to encourage the people of Quebec to vote against separation in the province's referendum, it was passed over the heads of the 60,000 people in attendance. Shoreline Week photo: Bill England

SHORELINE

ST. PIUS X

*We will miss you, Mrs. DiPasquale!*



Mrs. DiPasquale receives a bouquet of roses during a recent assembly.

Mrs. DiPasquale was very busy receiving gifts and saying goodbye as she packed up and prepared to travel over to her new school - St. Joseph in River Canard.

Mrs. DiPasquale is a very good principal and will be missed by the staff and students at St. Pius X Catholic School.

She loved spending time with the students and her co-workers. She is a very caring person.

Most of the students thought of it as a sad event, but Mrs. DiPasquale kept an optimistic mind and she thought of it as a new experience... a fresh start.

Mrs. DiPasquale came to St. Pius from St. Greg-

ory and she has known many of the students and teachers for several years.

She also met so many more kids that she took in as if they were her own.

We will miss her greatly.

*Written by  
Chloe McDonnell,  
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## Shrove Tuesday breakfast is served



The ladies of the Catholic Women's League at St. John de Brebeuf Catholic Church in Kingsville hosted their annual Shrove Tuesday pancake breakfast for 500 students from St. John de Brebeuf Catholic Elementary school. Students walked over to the church in two groups. To show their school spirit, students wore orange in honour of Calvin Klassen-Parent a kindergarten student who was diagnosed one month ago with Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia. Calvin has been undergoing chemotherapy at Children's Hospital, London Health Sciences Centre. Funds raised from the pancake breakfast and Little Hands for a Cause T-shirts are going to support Calvin and his family. Pictured, students dig in to breakfast.



Wednesday, February 26, 2013



Queen of Peace Grade 8 student Jeremy Williams presents a cheque for \$2,000 to Fr. Pat Fourth during an Ash Wednesday celebration at the school's gymnasium Wednesday, Feb. 13. The money was raised through last year's Queen of Peace Christmas Carnival and will be used to help fund the new St. Michael's Church youth centre.

## Queen of Peace makes church donation

By Bryan Joseph

Students at Queen of Peace Catholic Elementary School are more than aware of the importance of investing in their own future.

During Ash Wednesday celebrations at the school's gymnasium, a group of Grade 8 pupils presented a cheque of \$2,000 to St. Michael's Church pastor Fr. Pat Fourth. The money will be used to build the new church's youth centre.

Money for the youth centre was raised during the sixth annual Queen of Peace Christmas Carnival, held in December of last year. Organizing Grade 8 students were able to raise the money through \$5 per student admission rates and nominal fees to play games and purchase items inside the carnival. The money raised by the annual holiday-inspired event is usually directed toward the international charity program Free The Children.

"Our Grade 8s thought this would be a good chance to help hone their own leadership skills in the new future," explained Queen of Peace Grade 8 teacher Rita Mironowich. "With the new church that's going to be built, it'll be something where all students can benefit."

St. Michael's Church was demolished in mid-autumn of last year. Its replacement will be constructed at the same Elliott Street site and include the youth centre as a part of its basement. The youth centre will have kitchen access and be used for Sunday School, an assortment of children's activities and other events for users of all ages.

The architects of the new church have nearly completed the structure's blueprints. After the final details have been arranged, construction will get underway. Although Fourth is not yet certain of what the final cost of the rebuild will be — or what percentage of that cost will be needed for the youth centre — he expressed gratitude for the school's donation.

"It's very generous," he said. "Most of them (the students) are parishioners, so they're truly involved, which is great. Every little bit helps."

Fourth has been the pastor at St. Michael's for the past 10 years and served there for 10 months after being ordained in 1967. His parish has been making use of St. Joseph's Church on Mark Street since the former St. Michael's building was demolished. He hopes to see construction begin as soon as the weather clears this spring and completion as early as Easter of next year.

St. Michael's Church was built in 1922 to replace a wooden structure that was constructed in the 1800s. An addition was built in 1955. The parish centre's administrative offices and meeting rooms are still standing at the Elliott Street location.

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### ST. WILLIAM

# 'Sock it to Winter!'

Once again, throughout the halls of St. William School, we saw and heard, "Sock it to Winter". Why you may ask?

Every year, St. William school holds a Sock Drive to collect socks, mittens, scarves, and hats for those in need. We will be donating just over 12 recycle bins of socks, or over 1,000 pairs of socks along with a bin of hats, scarves and mittens.

The items will be donated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Divine Mercy.

How did we accomplish this? As the frigid winter winds blew and the temperatures plummeted, our student body began to think about those in need.

Socks help to protect and insulate feet, which may not have boots, from



frostbite and damage. When feet are not warm, the body is not either.

Our Mission Team encouraged students to donate to the drive rather than bring in treats for Valentine's Day. At our FDK Open House, some of our future Wildcats already made a donation. Some families donated on Parent-Teacher Interview night, others daily in their classrooms. Our Drive

ran from Feb. 2 until Feb. 13. We are proud that our students were able with their warm hearts and generous donations to try to minimize some of the hardship felt by others.

Look for our Mission Team's next project, "Loonies for Lent", coming up after March Break. As Fr. Gary said in our Ash Wednesday homily, start saving a little now to donate soon.

# St. Anthony to Host Kindergarten Open House on February 11

by Heather Marentette

St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School in Harrow is eager to welcome future students to its ranks and will hold their annual Kindergarten Open House next Wednesday, February 11 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

"Our goal is to make these future students feel relaxed and comfortable in the school environment so they leave here happy and are eager to come back in September," said Carl Bull, St. Anthony Principal. "This is a very important first step."

Future kindergartners and their families are invited to attend the open house during which they will get a tour of the school, have the opportunity to meet staff members, explore the kindergarten classrooms, and participate in activities in the gymnasium. At the end of their visit, families will walk away with some learning resources and a school t-shirt.

St. Anthony continues to offer full-day kindergarten for its students, a program that has rolled out now across the Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board. Bull said that he is pleased with the way this full-day kindergarten has unfolded at St. Anthony and staff members have been pleased with the opportunity to expand their programming and increase learning opportunities.

In kindergarten at St. Anthony, students are exposed to a wide variety of learning opportunities from music, dance, drama, math exploration, language activities, nature exploration and more. The school even operates a kindergarten Instagram account which



St. Anthony Catholic School will host its Kindergarten Open House on Wednesday, February 11. Pictured above are some students at last year's open house enjoying some play-time in the classroom.

allows teachers to connect with parents throughout the day using photos and videos. Bull said that this strong partnership with parents is important to the school and something that they have recently received great feedback from.

In addition to learning

inside the classroom, staff at St. Anthony also believe in the concept of taking learning outside of the classroom walls. Students have travelled to various spots around Windsor and Essex County including Point Pelee, Adventure Bay Water Park, the local fire hall

and Thiessen's Orchards.

"We believe that we offer the perfect balance of faith based learning and a rigorous academic program complemented by a high degree of technology," said Bull. "I encourage parents to come out to our open house to see what we have to offer."