

**FEBRUARY 1, 2024**

# ÉCOLE CAMILLE J. LEROUGE SCHOOL NEWS

INSPIRÉ PAR DIEU DANS UNE AVENTURE À DÉCOUVRIR, GRANDIR ET SERVIR.  
INSPIRED BY CHRIST ON A JOURNEY TO ENCOUNTER, NURTURE & SERVE.

## DATES TO WATCH...

**FEBRUARY 2**

**PD - NO SCHOOL**

**FEBRUARY 5-9**

**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**

**FEBRUARY 6-9**

**CARNAVAL**

**FEBRUARY 13**

**SHROVE TUESDAY**

**VALENTINE'S DAY ACTIVITIES**

**FEBRUARY 14**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**DOORS OF MERCY PROJECT BEGINS**

**FEBRUARY 16**

**MALICOUNDA DRUMMING WORKSHOP**

**FEBRUARY 19-23**

**NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK**

**FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 1**

**CAREER WEEK**

**FEBRUARY 28**

**PINK T-SHIRT DAY**

**LENT CELEBRATION @ 9:30AM**

**FEBRUARY 29**

**FAITH BAKING MORNING @ 7AM**



### Principal's Message

Welcome to February! The month of love...

February also marks the beginning of one of the most important liturgical seasons for Christians around the world. We will enter the season of Lent, which marks the six weeks prior to Easter Sunday. Lent is frequently seen as a solemn time in our faith journey, and oftentimes we give something up or fast and remind ourselves of the sacrifices that Jesus made for us.

We also have Shrove Tuesday, a dance for Middle School, Carnival and Pink T-Shirt Day! This month also marks a "winter break" for students while teachers participate in their annual Teachers Convention and PD.

It is BUSY!

Thank you for your ongoing support and help! Our school is amazing because of the love you give our staff and students.



## ECJL FOUR PILLARS

We are faith filled  
We are a French speaking community  
We are connected  
And we value learning

## Important Information

### **ASH WEDNESDAY & VALENTINE'S DAY!**

Following directions from the Archbishop, we are making some changes to how we'll celebrate Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day this year. This year, Ash Wednesday falls on February 14, which is also Valentine's Day. To honour the significance of Ash Wednesday in our Catholic faith, we will be dedicating this day solely to its observance with special activities and reflections. Therefore, all our Valentine's Day celebrations will take place on February 13.

### **PARKING AND STUDENT DROP & GO**

The DROP & GO lanes are meant for quick drop offs and pick ups. This lane should not have unattended vehicles. There has also been an increase of vehicles parking 3 across the drop & go lane creating a complete back log of vehicles and having children weave in and out of spaces. As winter moves forward and the roads get slippery we implore you to make safe choices for ALL students. By-law officers have the ability to ticket vehicles and have been asked by our school team to do so.

### **SHROVE TUESDAY VOLUNTEERS! - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

It's that time of year again! Lent is almost upon us! And you know what that means?!? We will have pancakes & sausages in celebration of Shrove Tuesday on February 13 with our Grade 9 students serving in Cafe Francais!

### **PINK T-SHIRT DAY**

We will once again be selling pink t-shirts with the logo 'Sois Gentil' for \$15.00. Please watch for more information tomorrow on how you can purchase a shirt!

### **HOLY DOORS OF MERCY PROJECT**

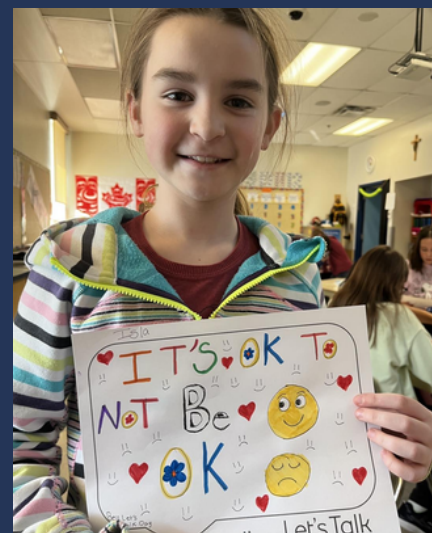
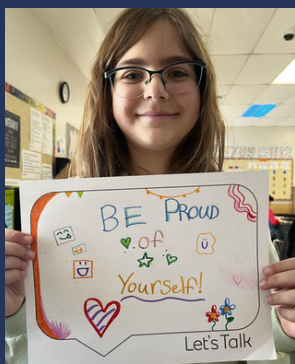
During the Lenten season we will once again participate in a variety of social justice activities across our school community. A letter will come home prior to the start of Lent with specific details on what each grade team is doing. Together we can make big differences in our community and with our own learning!



# STUDENT SHOWCASE



Did you know? One of our Grade 4 students plays sledge hockey? Theo has been playing for a few years now and is amazing on the ice. There are free drop in sessions weekly at the GH Dawe and they are always looking for new players to come out and learn more about this unique version of ice hockey!



## JANUARY FUN..o

