

ST. RAPHAEL SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER / JANUARY

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE
THROW:

Every year the Knights of Columbus Chapter holds a Free Throw Championship. That begins in our school gym. This year's winners on November 26th were:

- ✓ Keeley Lebreton
- ✓ Haley Moskal
- ✓ Kristin Ferguson
- ✓ Taylor Portelance
- ✓ William Moskal
- ✓ Elliott Barbeau
- ✓ Devon Antoine
- ✓ Malcom Grace
- ✓ Jake Carriere
- ✓ Bradley Ferguson



These students proceeded to the next round of competition held at St. Paul's School in Coniston on January 16th.

The winners were:

- ✓ Kristen Ferguson
- ✓ Taylor Portelance
- ✓ William Moskal
- ✓ Devin Antoine
- ✓ Malcolm Grace

and will now proceed to the finals on February 20, 2010 at St. Benedict's.



MASS WITH BISHOP SIMARD

On Dec. 15th our students celebrated a beautiful Christmas mass with Bishop Simard. Each and every class had their own part in this celebration from singing to decorating, to readings.

Bishop Simard then visited with all of our students, by division, to share stories, answer questions and talk about our many blessings as followers of the Word. The day was enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who donated non-perishable food items to donate to the Sudbury Food Bank during this time of joy and need in our community.



THE LITTLE MATCH GIRL

Gr. 8A's production of "The Little Match Girl" under the direction of Mr. Lariviere, was presented on Dec. 17th & 18th. After tireless hours of practice the students' rendition of this Christmas classic was, to say the least, fabulous.

It starred:

Violet: Whitney
Danny: Alex
Father: Tyler L.
Stove: Drew
Turkey: Adriana



Christmas Tree: Gavin
Mother: Morgan
Narrator: Robert
Shoppers: Gavin, Samantha, Bryanna, Jessie
Police Officer: Shaun
Baker: Jake
Hobos: Tyler D., Rachel, Brittany, Gavin
Technology: Jake, Chris, David, Brad
Curtains: Samantha

The Little Match Girl's cast (con't)
Choir: Whitney, Alex, Drew, Gavin,
Adriana, Morgan, Robert, Jessie,
Samantha, Bryanna, Shaun, Jake,
Tyler, Rachel, Brittany, Chris, David,
Casey, Melissa, Jesse.

Great Job!!!! Gr. 8's and Mr. Lariviere.

ST. RAPHAEL'S PROMOTION TEAM



Our promotion team visited St. Andrew's School and hosted St. Bernadette's Gr. 6 class to promote our school and the great things we have to offer to our feeder schools. The team was comprised of Mrs. Laframboise, Whitney St. Marseille, Bryanna Pyotte, James Mulvenna, Sara Mulvenna, Carly Bullon, Jake Carriere, Michael McBride.

Thanks to our team and our feeder schools for allowing us to come.

ST. CHARLES COLLEGE

Registration forms have now been filled out by our Gr. 8 students for September 2010. Students, with the guidance of their parents, are asked to ensure that all registration forms are handed in to ensure course selections for Sept. 2010.



JK - ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN OR EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

We are now accepting registrations for the Full Day Early Learning Program for JK students. Our Kindergarten Information Night was a huge success. Call and book an apt. now to reserve a spot in the EIP for September 2010.

NICKELS FOR THE NORTH



The Easter Seals Society provides support in our community for students with physical handicaps. Nickels for the North is an Easter Seals campaign to raise funds and awareness through the collection of nickels (coins). Our campaign lasts until Feb. 12th, and the winning class will get a pizza party. Show your compassion royals and fill those buckets with nickels for Easter Seals.



PYJAMAS FOR HAITI

The recent disaster in Haiti has caused us all to stop and reflect on the blessings in our lives and to think of others. On January 22nd, our students were asked to bring \$1.00 to wear pyjamas for a day. The response was overwhelming. Our students brought in \$730.00 to donate to the Red Cross for Haitian relief. Thanks to all Royals and their families for their generosity.

CAMP QUALITY PUPPETS

The Camp Quality puppets entertained our students on January 28th and heightened awareness of cancer in youth.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Gr. 7 & 8 Ski Trip Feb. 10 & 11th
- Winter Fun Day - Feb. 10th
- Pancake Day - Feb. 16th
- Ash Wednesday - Feb. 17th
- Lenten Season - Feb. 17th to April 1st
- March Break - March 12 - 19th
- Science Fair Heritage Fair - March 2nd.
- Board Science Fair - March 9th
- Numeracy Night - more information to come.

ACCOMMODATION REVIEW

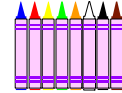
This process is drawing to a close. We encourage all parents to attend the last public meeting on February 17th, 7 to 9 pm at St. Charles College. The final recommendations for the East Planning Area will be presented to the public for their input. Hope to see you there.



WEBSITE

Our website is presently under construction. Stay tuned for more information.

ECUADOR PROJECT



Mrs. Lucciantonio's 2/3 class and Ms. Filice's 3/4 class are starting to write letters to their penpals in Ecuador. They are also collecting **crayola** crayons, markers and papers to send with Jan & David Buley when they visit Ecuador in May. Very interesting and exciting project.

ROYALS SPORTS UPDATE

Basketball season is underway at St. Raphaels and team members are hard at work practicing for tournaments.

Girl's Basketball

- Morgan Bourget
- Brittany Manitowabi
- Bryanna Collins
- Jessie Strickland
- Taylor Portelance
- Taylor McNabb
- Carley Bulfon
- Emily Hreljac
- Kristin Ferguson
- Kyla Boyd
- Haley Moskal



Royal Sports Update (con't)

Boys Basketball

- Jake Carriere
- David Porter
- Christopher Langella
- Keifer Skilliter
- Bradley Ferguson
- Nicholas Carpino
- Malcolm Grace
- Sam Cull
- Matthew Miscio
- Tshiondo N'Galamulume
- Kalum Crossman



Junior Basketball

- Up and coming shortly

Intramurals

- Gr. 5/6 Coed Soccer (indoor)

Badminton

- Girls - Morgan Bourget
- Brittany Manitowabi
 - Jessie Strickland
 - Rachel Kim
 - Emily Hreljac
 - Kristin Ferguson
 - Taylor Portelance



- Boys - Jake Carriere
- David Porter
 - YiFu Dong
 - Bradley Pellerin

Hockey

We are currently holding tryouts for a Royals hockey team. We will be hosting a tournament on April 6th & 7th at the Carmichael Arena.



Continued thanks to all of our coaches for their time, energy and enthusiasm: Ms. J. Filice, Mr. M. Lariviere & Mr. K. Villeneuve.

Good Luck Royals!

ATTACHMENTS

Literacy Tips for Parents

A NEW YEAR PRAYER



Holy Father, God of our yesterdays, our today, and our tomorrows. We praise You for Your unequaled greatness.

Thank you for the year behind us and for the year ahead. Help us in Your new year, Father, to fret less and laugh more. To teach our children to laugh by laughing with them. To teach others to love by loving them. Help us, Father, to hear Your love song in every sunrise, in the chirping of sparrows in our backyards, in the stories of our old folks, and the fantasies of our children. Help us to stop and listen to Your love songs, so that we may know You better and better. Thank you for another new year and for new chances every day. We pray for peace, for light, and for hope, that we might spread them to others. Forgive us for falling short this past year. We leave the irreparable past in your hands, and step out into the unknown new year knowing You will go with us. We accept Your gift of a new year and we rejoice in what's ahead, depending on You to help us do exactly what You want. I say it again, we rejoice! In Jesus name,

Amen

