

SILVER CREEK BULLETIN

"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion." - Dalai Lama

Upcoming Events

Feb. 7-14 Art Fair in Piccadilly Mall

Feb. 11 - PAC Meeting

Feb. 13 Pizza Day (PAC Hot lunch)



Feb. 13 100s Day in Div. 3&4

Feb. 13 *Valentine's Day

Feb. 14 Pro-D

Feb. 17 Family Day

Feb. 19th Ice Fishing Day

Feb. 20th - PAC sponsored Information Sessions

PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT THURSDAY FEBRUARY 20 6:30-7:30PM SILVER CREEK SCHOOL \$10/Family includes Pizza dinner and childcare. <i>This is a PAC sponsored event. We want to make it as easy and affordable for folks to come. If payment is a barrier, please let us know - we've got you covered!</i> Parent's Name(s): _____ Children's Name(s): _____ Pizza: (Total number of pieces per family) ☐ Cheese ☐ Pepperoni ☐ Ham & Pineapple ☐ Deluxe Veg \$10 payable to Silver Creek PAC ☐ Cash ☐ e-transfer to silvercreekpac@gmail.com (please include "parent ed" and family name in the memo) *Sign up forms and payment due Tuesday February 11*	RESTITUTION AND CONTROL (Behaviour Management Theory in The Classroom) led by Noah Eshken Restitution is a philosophy of discipline that is based on intrinsic motivation. It is created to help students develop self-discipline and help teachers to become better managers and mentors. Restitution focuses on how people can creatively correct their mistakes emphasizing positive solutions. Mistakes are viewed by all as opportunities to learn and grow. We learn to make things right with people. We understand that all behavior is purposeful and that we are making choices to meet (satisfy) our needs of love and belonging, power, freedom, fun and survival. Often a behavior we see as disruptive is simply another person trying to meet their need in the best way possible. People do the best they can do at any given time. We can all learn better ways to meet our needs that do not hurt ourselves or others.
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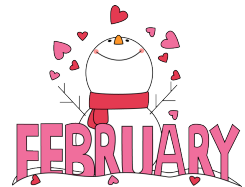
Feb. 24/25 - SASCU Financial

Literacy presentations

Feb. 26 Pink Shirt Day



FANTASTIC FEBRUARY!



The somewhat balmy January weather has been replaced by colder temperatures - which makes it feel a lot more like winter. Regardless of the weather, we are all looking forward to a "Fantastic February." Thanks for ensuring that your children are showing up to school with the appropriate winter clothing. Even in the colder temperatures, our students want to get outside and enjoy the snow and sunshine.

With the winter weather brings new adventures: many of our intermediate students have already been enjoying trips up to SilverStar to take advantage of the SnowSchool.

During Unplug and Play week, our students read with buddies, went skating, ventured to Tabetown, and at school, Mr. Sandy shared some outstanding indigenous games outside.

For many of our special events, we rely on parent volunteers; we are grateful to the many parents/guardians who help us with all of these activities.

With that in mind, **a big shout out** to our committed PAC members who work tirelessly to give our students advantages that they would miss out on without their gift of time, and their organization. The fundraising that PAC does helps provide our students with many extracurricular/field trip events. Thanks PAC!

Art Fair

Our Silver Creek students are multi-talented, and this upcoming week is an opportunity to share our artistic endeavours with the community. Please take the time to drop by Piccadilly Mall and see what they have been up to. These boards - and some other displays - will be up this weekend until the following weekend.



Who's Who in the Zoo

We are extremely fortunate to have such a wonderful staff at Silver Creek. Many of you have met with, and are well aware of, our talented teaching staff who consistently provide outstanding instruction, caring and compassion to our students:

Div. 1 Mr. Ralston
 Div. 2 Ms. Schneider
 Div. 3 Mrs. Schindler
 Div. 4 Mrs. Ralston
 Music teacher, Mr. Larsen

EVERYONE knows the first face you seen when entering the school and the person you trust on the phone - **LORI**.

HOWEVER, there may be a few others that you don't know as well. We have a new (and fantastic) LRT - **Mrs. McKay** and an amazing group of CEAs.

Denis has been a valued member of the Silver Creek family for the longest, and he is a trusted and reliable member of our team...he also rides the bus with the kids at the end of each day...so a sainthood awaits him.

Susan is in her second year at Silver Creek and she has been invaluable to our school. She is always calm and cool under pressure, and can be counted on to find a variety of ways to reach kids where they are at.

Sarah is new to Silver Creek and has made an immediate impact. She is able to handle any situation in thoughtful and creative ways. We are lucky to have her.

Shona is one of our wonderful ECEs at Silver Creek and takes on the afternoon shift in our Seamless Day program. She is a welcoming face and our kids are happy to see her every day.

Student Leaders

We are fortunate to have so many outstanding leaders among our student population. It is remarkable how excited they become to be “of service” to other people. From the students that bring their friends to the office after a fall on the ice, to those who volunteer to shelve library books, read the morning announcements or help our K/1 students get into their winter clothing for recess and lunch, we have kids that look for ways to help others. On the playground, our intermediate students consistently help younger students learn to peacefully resolve minor conflicts.

Clearly, we have a culture where “Big takes care of little” - which is something worth celebrating.



Debbie is the first person to arrive at school and she helps us begin the day with a smile. Her positive and nurturing attitude make her a favourite for our K/1 class.

Bonnie is our trusty custodian who keeps our school in good working order. During the cold and flu season, we appreciate her hard work even more than usual!

Here are some other names that you may or may not know...but who help make this a great place for students and adults alike. All four of these people are shared between a number of schools...though we are convinced that they love us the most!

Wes Sandy is our Indigenous Education Worker, and he is at SCR each Wednesday sharing his wisdom and passion for learning. He often brings entertaining and hands on lessons to each classroom.

Megan Brooke is our Speech and Language Pathologist and she comes on Friday mornings to work with our students.

Reta Moerike is our counsellor and we are lucky to have her weekly.

Christine Blacklock is our Literacy Support Teacher and she comes to support our students each Wednesday and Thursday.

Circle of Courage - Generosity

This school year, we have embarked on a journey to understand “The Circle of Courage” and how it can impact our lives and the lives of others. Our theme this month is about “Generosity.” We had an assembly last week to draw attention to the concept of “sharing” as a part of this theme. Our students watched a video that demonstrated this topic. If you have the opportunity at home to have conversations over the dinner table to reinforce these themes it will inevitably help to bring them to life. When we see these

Ready, Set, Learn

Today we hosted our annual Ready, Set, Learn event that allows parents/guardians to bring their children to school to meet our Kindergarten teacher, Katherine Ralston, and acclimatize to our building. Allison de Boer, District VP of Early Learning and Child Care came from the district to share some of her wisdom about the transition into Kindergarten: what to expect, what to plan for and how to help create a positive first step into the K-12 school system.

If you haven't yet registered your child for next year's kindergarten class - or perhaps know someone who could use a reminder, please give Lori a call in the office and she will help you become a part of the Silver Creek Stars!



themes demonstrated in real life, we try to Notice them, Name them, and Nurture them. Thankfully, at Silver Creek we see daily examples of Generosity and Sharing.

Stars In Action

