



Fanning Education Centre/Canso Academy



Newsletter

March 2024

Message from the Office

Parents/Guardians:

It is hard to believe March has arrived! Our students have certainly enjoyed playing in the snow. From digging tunnels, painting the snow with food coloring, and building snowmen, to playing snow soccer, we've made the best of the snowy weather.

While keeping our students active outside throughout the winter months, teachers have been integrating ASK (Active Smarter Kids) activities within their lesson plans. Students often move about their classrooms and across all settings to complete learning activities/challenges. Studies have shown that the more physically active our students are, the more likely they are to improve their academic achievement. So, we are committed to keeping them moving!

Another way to increase student achievement is by involving entire families into learning experiences. Our student-led open houses are great examples of this. We are very humbled by the number of family members who have attended our open houses. We are pleased to report that approximately 100 people/family members have attended our last open house! This is incredible and we would like to thank everyone who has attended and encourage you to continue to do so.

Parent/Family input is important to us! Please reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

All the best,

Ms. Richards and Mrs. MacLean



Important Dates

March 8	Administration and Evaluation Day (no classes PP-8; classes for 9-12)
March 11-15	Spring Break
March 18	Students return to school after Spring Break
March 29	Good Friday (no classes PP-12)



Curling

Mrs. Cleary and the grade 9s will be heading to the Canso Curling Club on Monday, March 4 for some curling fun! Thank you for the continuing support of the Club for being flexible and accessible to our students. This partnership has provided FECCA students the opportunity to learn, practice and enjoy this wonderful winter sport!



Skating

Winter activities have been an area of focus for our students especially during Physical Education! Mrs. Cleary has been busy scheduling skating time at the Canso and Area Arena. Thank you to the arena and staff for accommodating our school schedules. Our next skating day is scheduled for Thursday, March 7. Please see the schedule below:

March 7:

9:30 am-10:45 am: Grade P/1 & 2/3

10:00 am-11:00 am: Grade 7/8 & 9

12:45 pm – 2:00 pm: Grade 4/5 & 6/7



FECCA Caring Closet

Our Caring Closet is open! All students are invited to access our Caring Closet. If assistance is needed, our Caring Closet Committee is filled with members ready to assist students of all ages. For more information, please give us a call at (902) 366-2225.



The Caring Closet

FECCA's Next Student-Led Open House

Our next student-led open house is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3. Mr. Byard will be driving his bus to aid with transportation. A more detailed schedule will be provided in April's newsletter.

We hope to see you there!



Green Schools

Green School leaders have noticed improvements in composting efforts in the Multi-Purpose Room! Your efforts are appreciated and another step towards our 2024 goal of reducing food waste at school.

Green Fact: Did you know that the University of New Brunswick is the first university in Canada to mandate climate education in the arts? In 2023, Donald Wright, professor and chair of political science, and Heather Millar, assistant professor in political science, gained recognition for their trailblazing efforts to make climate change and environmental education mandatory for all Bachelor of Arts students, and were featured on "What On Earth" with Laura Lynch on CBC.



Schools Plus March Break Fun Day

SchoolsPlus

- When: Tuesday, March 12, 2024
- Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
- Where: Fanning Education Centre/Canso Academy
- Who: Grades Primary to 6
- What: Activities will include games, making a craft and indoor/outdoor activities

Other Details:

- ✓ Students must bring their own lunch (no products containing nuts). A healthy snack will be provided.
- ✓ Bring winter clothes for outdoor activities (i.e.: snow pants, mittens, hat, winter boots, etc.)
- ✓ Bring indoor shoes.
- ✓ This is a free event!!
- ✓ Parents/Guardians must check-in the youth at the cafeteria entrance upon arrival.

Registration can be done by returning the form below to the folder in the office or SchoolsPlus area. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Millar at 902-631-4699 or amanda.millar@srce.ca. **Registration is due by Monday, March 4, 2024.**



MARCH

FECCA Counselling Connection

School Counsellor: Jennie MacDonald

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During the month of February, we kicked off the month with course selection presentations for students in grades 9-11. Students learned about graduation requirements and selected courses for next year. Students were asked to take their course selection forms home to have them signed by guardians. Be sure to hand in your forms to the School Counselling Office.

This month, the Jack.org chapter, hosted a Coffee House for students in grades 7-12. The Coffee House was used to share information on how to support someone who is struggling with mental health and promote wellness. We ended the month with our Kelso Kindness Assembly, celebrating students who have shown kindness this month.



This Month...

- Kids in the Know Presentations continued - Grade P-1
- Career Planning continued - Grades 10-11.
- Online Safety Presentations - Grade P-12 - hosted by the RCMP.
- PATHs Program continued - Grade P-3
- PEERs Group continued
- Walking Wednesday's - grade 7-12- first half of lunch

Also, this month grade 9 students who identify as female and non-binary, visited the Canadian Coast Guard College to learn more about careers in STEM. These students will be attending the Techsploration Conference in April to present to other schools across the province.



March Break

March break is around the corner. It can be challenging to find fun family-based activities to do at home to fill the break. Engaging in a variety of activities over the break is a great way to fight off boredom and anxiety and promote positive mental health. Included is a Family Activities Bingo with lots of activities for you and your family to do over break! Don't forget to take time to relax and refresh.



In the house FAMILY ACTIVITIES BINGO

See how many activities you and your family are able to complete. Can you get five in a row? Can you get the whole board?!

START A NEW TV SHOW TOGETHER!	REARRANGE THE FURNITURE IN A ROOM!	CLEAN THE WHOLE HOUSE TOGETHER!	DO A CRAFT TOGETHER!	HAVE A TALENT SHOW NIGHT!
HAVE A FAMILY GAME NIGHT	VIDEO CHAT WITH AN OUT-OF-TOWN FAMILY MEMBER!	PUT ON A PLAY!	PLAN AND COOK A MEAL TOGETHER!	WATCH A MOVIE WITH HORRIBLE REVIEWS!
PLAN AND COOK DESSERT TOGETHER!	CREATE A SCAVENGER HUNT!	MAKE YOUR OWN INSTRUMENTS!	CREATE YOUR FAMILY TREE - SEE HOW FAR BACK YOU CAN GO!	HAVE A PAPER AIRPLANE FLYING CONTEST!
PAINT OR COLOR TOGETHER!	WATCH A MOVIE WITH GREAT REVIEWS!	LEARN AND COMPLETE A SCIENCE EXPERIMENT!	GO CAMPING INDOORS!	ACT OUT A SCENE FROM A MOVIE!
CREATE A CHAIN REACTION WITH THINGS AROUND THE HOUSE!	LEARN AN INSTRUMENT TOGETHER!	CREATE A BOARD GAME TOGETHER!	EXERCISE AS A FAMILY!	COMPLETE A JIGSAW PUZZLE!






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MARCH

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
DAY B	DAY C	DAY D	DAY E	DAY F ADMIN & EVAL DAY NO CLASSES PP-8 REGULAR CLASSES 9-12		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
SPRING BREAK	SPRING BREAK	SPRING BREAK	SPRING BREAK	SPRING BREAK		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	DAY G	DAY H	DAY A	DAY B	DAY C	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	DAY D	DAY E	DAY F	DAY G	GOOD FRIDAY	
31	APRIL 01	02	03	04	05	06
EASTER SUNDAY	EASTER MONDAY	DAY H	DAY A	DAY B	DAY C	