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## QSP FUNDRAISER

We will be beginning our annual QSP magazine Fundraiser right after March Break. We will be adding an organic vegetable fundraiser at the same time. We will continue to collect orders until April 7th. Please do your best to support this initiative, but we do understand if you are unable to contribute at this time. Proceeds from this fundraiser go toward various School Council initiatives that enhance student life at the school, including subsidizing school trips. You can now order on line. If you have questions, please give us a call at the office at 613 623 2347.

## Upcoming Dates

- March 1-24** Food Drive Continues
- March 3** Ski Day
- March 8** School Council, 6:30
- March 11** “Minute to Win it”
- March 7-11** Kinder “Read with the Cat”
- March 14-18** March Break
- March 21** QPS Assembly—magazine and organic vegetable drive begins
- March 25** Good Friday
- March 27** Easter Sunday
- March 28** Easter Monday
- March 30-31** JK and Grade 2 Dental Screening

## Out of Zone Students

In the upcoming months, if you receive a message from transportation indicating that you are out of zone, please contact the school office for more information.

As has been the case every year, anyone who will have a change of pick-up or drop-off location for the next school year will need to complete a transportation request as soon as you are aware of the change. If there will be a change for September (new sitter; no sitter; change in home address, etc.) or if you would like to request courtesy busing, you will have to complete a request whether you are in zone or out. Courtesy busing placements may not be ready until October. The sooner you get transportation requests in, the better!



## Share Lent

Once again, we will be supporting local and global causes through alms giving during Lent.

The grade 7 students are leading a Food Drive initiative as part of our annual Share Lent Campaign. Please send in non-perishable food items with your children in support of this cause.

The “Free the Children” group will be organizing a “Minute to Win It” extravaganza (tentatively scheduled for March 11th). We will be doing a change collection and students will gain entry as spectators and/or participants by donating to the cause. Proceeds will be used to support the purchase of a goat for a community in a developing country.

## Read with the Cat!

The Kindergarten students of St. Joe’s will be celebrating “Grab your Hat and Read with the Cat!” from March 7th—11th.

The weeks activities will include dress-up days, daily guest readers, reading challenges and a “Suess” Change for Lent Drive.

Monday: *One Fish, Two Fish  
Red Fish Blue Fish*  
Tuesday: *Fox in Socks*  
Wednesday: *Green Eggs and Ham*  
Thursday: *Thing One and Thing Two*  
Friday: *Cat in the Hat*

## Grade 8 Basketball

On Friday, February 26th, our grade 8 boys’ basketball team travelled to Renfrew to participate in the Renfrew County East Tournament. After going undefeated in the round robin portion of the event, they captured the title in the final. Congratulations



## Quick Notes

- On March 30th and 31st representatives from the Renfrew Health Unit will be here to conduct annual dental screening for junior kindergarten and grade 2 students.
- Thanks to all Kindergarten parents who volunteered at skating on February 26th. We could not have done it without you!
- Thanks, as well, to all parent volunteer drivers who helped get out teams to tournaments.
- Our Grade 7 Girls' basketball team won Renfrew county east title and our Boys' team lost a heartbreaker 22-20 in the final. More details to follow in the next newsletter

## Blossom Arts

**New to Arnprior!**

After School Art Club  
**Paint a Masterpiece: Monet**  
**April 12 - May 31**  
Ages 6 - 13  
**Where: St. Joseph's School**  
**When: Tuesdays, 2:40 - 4:10**  
**Cost: \$120 (supplies included)**

Calling all artists! There is a new art program in town! Come learn about the amazing artist Monet and create artwork inspired by his beautiful style. Students will complete two masterpieces with acrylic on canvas and will practice a variety of drawing techniques in their own drawing books. Non-toxic and high-quality art supplies are used.

For more information and to register visit:  
**[www.blossomartstudio.ca](http://www.blossomartstudio.ca)**  
or call: 613.559.0394

## Pancake Supper

On Tuesday, February 9th, the St. Joseph's School Community celebrated Shrove Tuesday with our annual Pancake Supper. Student work showing examples of extended FSL activities, along with Art, Math and Reading skills were highlighted on the gymnasium walls. Thanks to all parents and students who helped out. Volunteers cooked pancakes, sausages and ham; made berry sauce and apple topping and served up the meals with smiles and good cheer. Thanks to Tim Hortons for donating coffee and tea for our event.



# March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Food Drive Continues	2	3 Ski Day!	4	5
6	7 Kinder "Read with the Cat" week!	8 School Council, 6:30	9	10	11 "Minute to Win It" School Colours Spirit Day	12
13	14 March Break	15 March Break	16 	17 March Break	18 March Break	19
20	21	22	23	24 	25 Good Friday	26
27 Easter Sunday	28 Easter Monday	29	30 Dental Screening, JK-Grade 2	31 Dental Screening, JK-2		

