



HOLY ANGELS NEWS

December 2023

celebrating the season of ADVENT



HAS 2023-24 DATES

Mark your calendars

Check out our Calendar emailed link for updates

Upcoming Events in January

- January 8 Classes resume
- January 10 Bingo #6 Starts
- January 15 - CPIC meeting @ 11:45am
- January 17 Bingo Ends at noon
- January 18 School Mass @ 9am
- January 25 Bell Lets Talk Day
- January 25 Hot Lunch TBD
- January 26 Friday Assembly (Gr 1/2)



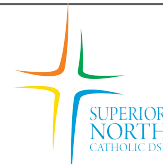
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RESPECT ~ THANKFULNESS ~ JUSTICE ~ PATIENCE
RESPONSIBILITY ~ COMPASSION ~ FORGIVENESS
STEWARDSHIP ~ TOLERANCE ~ HONESTY



Merry CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY New Year FROM ALL OF US!

JK/SK

It has been a month full of Christmas wonder in Kindergarten! Our Santa's Workshop was open for business as our little elves, wrote letters and worked at the mail center, baked cookies at the North Pole Bakery and built toys, fulfilled orders and wrapped gifts at the workshop! We have been busy exploring gingerbread dough and building gingerbread houses with linkin logs.

We have learned about all the wonders surrounding Christmas and the birth of baby Jesus. We love to re-enact the nativity story using our different nativity scenes and have been really looking forward to each week of advent and lighting the new candles.



Grade 1/2

We learned all about sewing machines, a great life skill and created a christmas project to take home. Students learned parts of a sewing machine, practiced staying on the lines and making corners, which then led to sewing material. We made Christmas pillows, picking the fabric, sewing together the pieces and picked a design that was ironed on top representing our family name or christmas phrase.



SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATES

Our second School Council meeting was held on Nov. 22 in the Learning Commons. Thank you to Denise, Ellen, Krysta, Lindsay, Jay and Jacky for coming out. Jacky Figliomeni is our Chairperson for the year and we love to have parents out to learn and share. **Our next meeting is on Wed., Feb 28 at 7:00pm** - we would love you to join us!

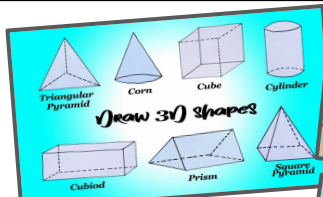
Wednesdays: Nov. 22, Feb. 28, April 24 at 7:00pm

Our Bingo #4 Winner was Linda Collinson with a full card in 57 numbers.

Congratulations Linda!! Our next bingo will take place Jan 10th - Jan 17th Come grab your cards at the main office!

BINGO



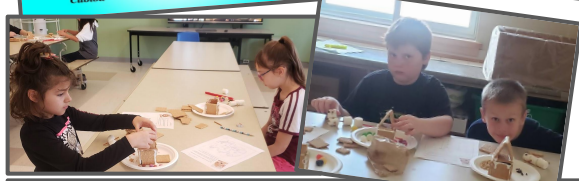


At the start of the month the 3/4s finished off their Landform projects and successfully present them to their classmates. You can see them in the students Bright Space Portfolios.

After that things started to get festive. We've been busy sending Santa questions through our Santa Mailbox and have got back a lot of responses. Apparently, he's been keeping a close eye on us.

In math we have been learning attributes of 3D figures, and doing our best to draw them. We used our knowledge of 3D figures to make gingerbread house blueprints and then tried our best to make our architecture visions a reality.

Grade 3/4



Grade 5/6



This month has been filled with lots of laughs, cheer and craziness! The hour of code brought Grades 5-8 together for an informational learning experience on Coding with Minecraft. We participated in hosting the second week of Advent celebration on Peace, created many crafts and baked delicious sugar cookies. We are wrapping up our Science units on the human body and biodiversity and looking forward to learning about Electricity and the Conservation of Energy in the new year. All of us are excited for the joyfulness, love and rest over the Christmas holidays. Merry Christmas to all!



Grade 7/8

Under the guidance of Mrs. Kennedy, the Grade 7/8 class recently embarked on a heartwarming initiative, spreading joy through their delicious Christmas baking. In a gesture of gratitude, the students dedicated their time and effort to whip up an assortment of festive treats to express appreciation for the invaluable work of the school's volunteers. With laughter echoing through the kitchen and the sweet aroma of cookies and cakes filling the air, this collaborative endeavor not only showcased the students' culinary skills but also highlighted the spirit of generosity and gratitude that embodies the holiday season at Holy Angels School.



Learning FOR ALL

How to Reduce Holiday Stress in Children



CHILD & YOUTH WORKER

We are sad to say farewell to our CYW, Ms Lindsey Critch, who will be moving to Marathon and has taken a CYW position there - thank you Ms Critch for all you have done in social and emotional learning & for leading Student Council.

We are also grateful to welcome back Ms Emma (Hamilton) who will be taking Lindsey's place as our new Child & Youth Worker in January shared between STMS & HAS - welcome back Ms Emma!



CHRISTMAS CONCERT & HAS CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST



OUR SNCDSB STRATEGIC PLAN IN ACTION AT HAS

TEACHING
EXCELLENCE



Classes have been busy learning during the month of Dec as well as celebrating Advent and preparing for Christmas. The Gr 7/8s share their GeoTowns, and learned about baking with Mrs Kennedy. Our 5/6 & 7/8 students participating in coding in Dec. Our Gr 3/4 friends have been writing and learning math both inside and outside. Our 1/2 students have been learning about healthy eating and are making such gains in reading. Our Kindergarten friends continue to build skills and confidence - lots on the go here!



CHRISTMAS
Dance



FOCUS
ON THE
FUTURE



CHRISTMAS
sweater day &
candy Grams



CHRISTMAS
JAIL
&
Tree
Fun



our December VIRTUE IS PATIENCE



ADVENT

Thank you to our classes for taking turns to host an Advent Assembly:

- Gr 7/8 - **Hope**
- Gr. 5/6 - **Peace**
- Gr. 1/2 - **Joy**
- Gr. 3/4 - **Love**

Thank you to Father Terry for coming in and teaching us more about Advent!



A lot of our classes have been taking their learning outside and have been doing math, reading and smudging as we learn off the land and continue to acknowledge with truth and reconciliation.



INDIGENOUS
EDUCATION