

April News 2017



Parents a Captive Audience



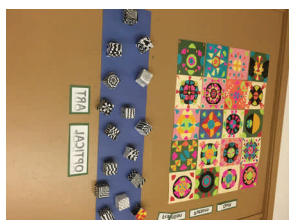
Conference time is the opportunity for many children to shine. Having the undivided attention of parents and being able to demonstrate and illustrate ones' learning is far more powerful and meaningful than writing tests. What a delight to have witnessed the positive interactions and the pride the children exuded as they talked about each accomplishment to those appreciative family members.

House Assembly

Monday the 24th of March was the launch of the newly conceived West St. Paul house system (similar to what you've seen on Harry Potter). It is a way of organizing all the students and staff into house groupings with the goal of fostering com-

munity spirit. The plan is to meet together as a house for an activity or lesson based on the seven sacred teachings. Each teaching has a colour and an animal assigned to them. Love is red and the eagle. Truth is green and

the turtle. Humility is blue and the wolf. Respect is yellow and the buffalo. Courage is orange and the bear. Wisdom is purple and the beaver. The seventh is honesty, which is pink and the sape.



Halls were a visual display of children's work of art, many mimicking the style of a closely studied artist.



10A Spirit Week

March 24-28, students and staff got into the "spirit" by celebrating their hard work and academic focus over the term by participating in spirit week. This meant dressing up for the theme with Monday as colour day, Tuesday pajama day, Wednesday crazy hair/hat day, Thursday character day and Friday as formal day.

Diversity Week April 10-13, 2017

Plans are in the works for celebrating diversity. Through a focus on a variety of interests, friendships, and families, students will engage in daily discussions to gain a better understanding and openness to difference. Integral to this understanding is the recognition that each and every person is and can be a capable contributing member. Wednesday, April 12, 2017 is official Red Cross Day of Pink. Students will learn the history and the significance of wearing pink and are invited to wear their own pink tshirt. The prospect of spring, the advent of the new month and the promise of renewal and rebirth, makes it only fitting that we begin our new term in a celebratory fashion learning about and appreciating one another for the diverse group of individuals we are.