



# HOLY ANGELS NEWS

## MARCH 2024



**MATH UP**

**IXL**

**R Reflex**



**MATH**

**Monthly Math at Home**  
**SNCSB Math Team**  
**March 2024 Edition**

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**Hit the Target**  
 Materials - deck of cards (face cards and 10s removed), a dice  
 Pick a number of digits. Roll the dice to determine a target number. Each player flips cards to create a number. Closer to the target number wins a point. First 5 points wins!

**Online Math Subscriptions**  
 Sign in with your child's Board Gmail account and password. You can contact your school if you require assistance with the password.

**Using Models to Show Understanding**  
 When everyday situations arise involving addition or subtraction (e.g., how many altogether or how much more/less is there another), encourage your child to tell you whether you should add or subtract. Explain why using a model (part's whole or a number line).

**Number Line Model**  
 56 - 12 = 44  
 44 students are left on the bus.

**Hit the Target**  
 Hit the target number to win a point.

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*"Simplify We Estimate, Hunt, Med and Sort"*



**HAS 2023-24 DATES**  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Check out our Calendar emailed link for updates

### Upcoming Events in April

- April 1 Easter Monday
- April 2 Autism Awareness (Blue)
- April 3 Bingo Starts
- April 8 Solar Eclipse (Early Dismissal)
- April 11 School Mass
- April 19 PD Day
- April 22 Earth Day
- April 23 PreK Visits
- April 24 Admin Assistant Day
- April 25 Pizza Luncheon
- April 26 Friday Assembly



### Stay up to Date

For the latest updates, follow Holy Angels School on Facebook and visit the board website [www.snedsb.on.ca](http://www.snedsb.on.ca)



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



Outdoor Learning



Gr. 5-8 Hockey: Students vs Parents



Meeting Tree Birding



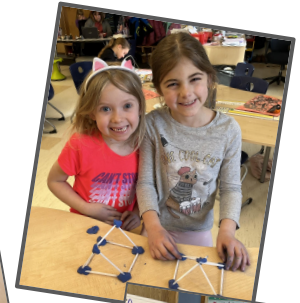
# JK/SK

Earlier this month, we explored the North and South Poles. We found out that Penguins only live in the South and that there are many different types of penguins. We chose to investigate 6 types of penguins. We learned about their life cycles, different features, their babies, rolls of moms and dads and had a lot of fun comparing their heights to ours. We shared our life size penguins and measurements in the hallway and penguins have been quite a popular topic of conversation among everyone who checks out our penguins and compares their measurements to our students and themselves.



# Grade 1/2

We have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and measurement using standard and non standard units of measurement. Students are identifying the shape names and attributes. Through hands on learning activities, students are becoming very confident in describing and building shapes. When measuring with different units of measurement, we found using centimeters we can be most accurate.



## SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATES

Our next School Council meeting will be held on April 24th in the Learning Commons. At our Feb 28th meeting we talked about things going on, an upcoming opportunity for parents to listen to Hannah Beach, and what we can do with our Parent Reaching Out grant of \$600. Stay tuned for info on our 2024 Eat, Play, Learn night

**Next meeting: Wednesday, April 24 at 7:00pm**

**Our Bingo #7 Winner was Denise Mulligan** with a full card in 59 numbers.

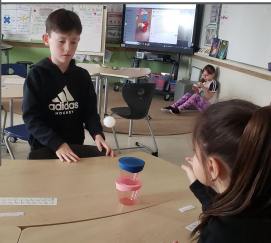
Congratulations! Our next bingo will take place April 3-10. Come grab your cards at the main office!

## BINGO





# Grade 3/4



The Gr. 3/4s have been busy throughout March. We have we have begun learning about food chains and habitats, and created our own Predator v.s Prey game. We have been following the Road to Easter Day with our Resurrection Eggs. We have become 'settlers' building our own

community and mining for 'gems' using them to create a barter system while out at the Outdoor Learning Space. We tested our hand-eye coordination with the balloon cup challenge, and some of us kept up our Kindness acts, cleaning off the teachers' cars after the snowstorm. Up next, the class we will be become Plant Parents!



# Grade 5/6

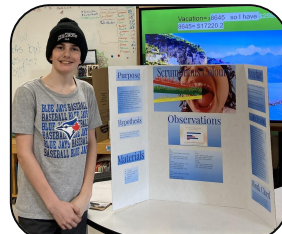
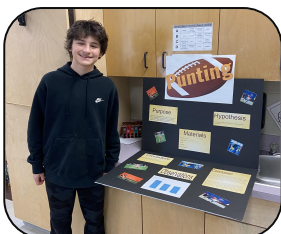
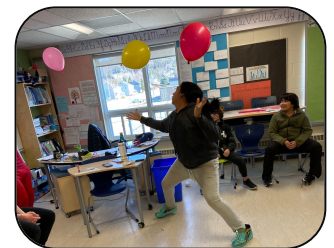
March has literally come in like a lamb and out like a ferocious lion! We are learning about the early settlers that helped shape Canada into what it is today and also understanding the role of our First Nations groups and their connection to Canada. We created and shared informational slideshow biographies on people who are considered "Models of Commitment".

We have been diligent with keeping most of our Lenten promises as we follow Jesus' story through the Stations of the Cross. During our snow days we enjoyed building and testing quinzees and baking the traditional Italian bread, sgtuti. We look forward to warmer days ahead!



Grade 7/8 students recently demonstrated their understanding of the scientific process through a science fair, where they researched and presented their findings to classmates. From formulating hypotheses to conducting experiments and analyzing results, each student showcased their commitment to scientific inquiry and critical thinking. Alongside their serious scientific endeavors, students also embraced moments of lighthearted fun with the "Three Minute to Win It" challenges, where Brock, Macey, and Javaun emerged victorious, showcasing their agility and quick thinking. These challenges provided a welcome break and allowed students to have fun with each other in a friendly competition..

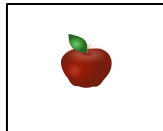
# Grade 7/8



# FSL

In **French** this month, students are continuing to learn how to talk about a favourite topic: food! Kindergarten students have been tasting different fruits while learning their names in English and French. They have also been singing the French children's song "Pomme de reinette et pomme d'api," which refers to two varieties of apples.

Grade 1 and 2 students have been learning to talk about their favourite fruits (e.g., "J'aime les pommes"). Grade 3 and 4 students are experimenting with using play 'euros' to buy food. Grade 5 and 6 students have been speaking and writing about foods they enjoy. The Grade 7/8 class is learning more about the grammatical 'gender' of objects in French and how this affects the way we speak about things like food. The next step will be learning about foods that are typically French or French-Canadian, and then learning to prepare them.



-Mme Airlie

# NSL

In NSL this month we have been learning about the importance of Spring. **Ziigwan** is one of the five seasons known to the Anishinaabeg. In English, we might call this early spring. This season is marked by warm days and cool nights when the sap freezes during the night and thaws in the day, allowing the sap to flow. If you listen to the trees at this time, you can hear the trees crackling as the sap flows. Together all the NSL classes helped to create a slideshow for our monthly assembly on forgiveness. It has been another wonderful month and I hope everyone enjoys the long weekend with family and friends! **Mino-Baakwang!** Happy Easter!

Miss Cole



# LEARNING FOR ALL

increased self esteem  
decreased worry  
improved emotion regulation

**Why kids need mindfulness**

improvements in social skills  
increased body image  
better mood  
better decision making

improved concentration

*COUNSELOR Keri*

**5-4-3-2-1 mindfulness method**

Use this mindfulness method to calm your mind and bring your focus to the present moment.

Take a deep breath. Focus on what's around you. Think about and name...

- 5 things you can see
- 4 things you can feel or touch
- 3 things you can hear
- 2 things you can smell
- 1 thing you can taste

# CHILD & YOUTH WORKER



In continuation from Pink Shirt Day in February, we've continued to grow kindness in our school community. The 1/2 class created a plan for how to be better friends through acts of kindness.

The 3/4 class has been working on the Second Step program. They just completed Unit 2: Empathy. In March, they learnt about understanding perspectives, conflicting feelings, accepting differences and showing compassion. Next month, we will start our third unit about emotional management.

Check out the **Understood Website** for more tips!

[www.understood.org](http://www.understood.org)

Quick tip 2

**Practice starfish breathing.**

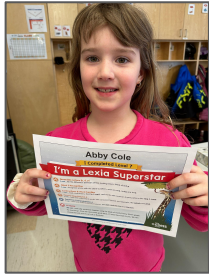
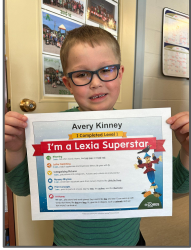
Quick tip 3

**Belly-breathe with a stuffed animal.**

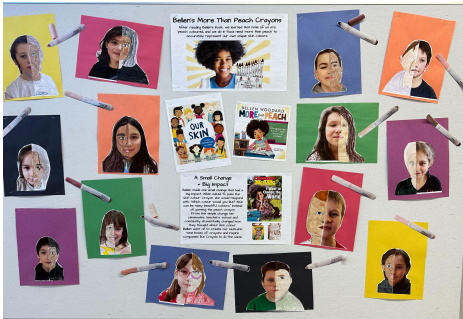


# OUR SNCDSB STRATEGIC PLAN IN ACTION AT HAS

**TEACHING EXCELLENCE**



We have been busy learning in all our classrooms. Students are working on Lexia to improve their literacy growth, UFLI is helping our Primary students become strong readers and in 3/4 our students are learning through game creation (Medieval Times and Ancient Egypt). Our Kindergarten students are building and learning and there is growth everywhere!



## Student Council

Student Council hosted an Easter Egg Hunt and Easter movie with popcorn.



**FOCUS ON THE FUTURE**



**ROBOTICS WITH GRADE 5/6**

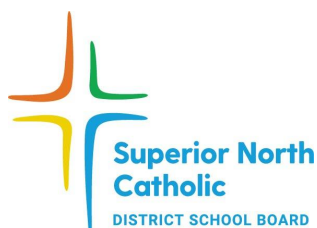
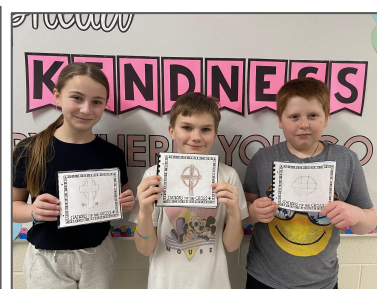


# our MARCH VIRTUE IS FORGIVENESS



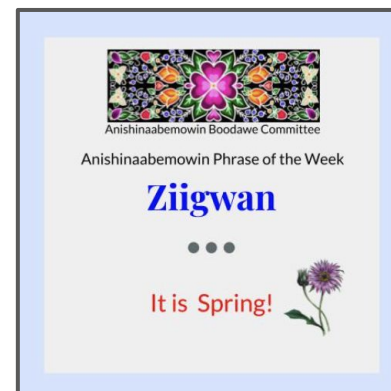
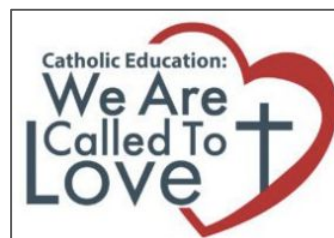
## Learning Through Lent

Our K-6 classes have been learning about the story of Easter with resurrection eggs, and we have been practicing prayer, fasting and almsgiving through Lent. We have learned about the Stations of the Cross and revisited the story of Jesus' journey.



*"For God so loved the world, that he gave us his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life"*

John 3:16



## Spring Feast

On March 21, our Gr 3/4 & 7/8 NSL (Native as a Second Language) students learned about Spring Feast with teachings from Claudette Morriseau, and Nicole M Dupuis along with our Indigenous Education Manager, Erin Roxborough. Beginning with a tobacco offering to ask Claudette and Nicole to teach us about Spring Feast, we learned about Spring Feast, about feast bundles and the importance of offering food back to Mother Earth. Students filled birch bark cups with the 4 sacred food groups: rice, corn, fish & berries, and made the offering out at our Meeting Tree.

