



St. Margaret Mary CES

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Dear Families,

What a wonderful week we have had at St. Margaret Mary. We started with an engaging and very informative anti-racism presentation from Aubrey Noronha. The resounding message to our primary and junior students was that “Skin Colours are Kin Colours” and we are all part of God’s beautiful family. The discussion was more serious with our Intermediate students as they learned how they can do their part in being the “opposite” of racist. Students have already been asking me if we can have Aubrey back again. On Tuesday, our wonderful CSC and parent volunteers graciously griddled up pancakes for all of our students and staff. I am grateful that this tradition has been able to continue at SMM. Moving along to Ash Wednesday, students displayed reverence during our faith celebration led by Father Jude. Thank you to Ms. Marini and Ms. Loconte for preparing our wonderful grade 4 and 4/5 readers, and to Ms. Colagiaco and Ms. Monastero for preparing the choir.


I would like to close by wishing our entire St. Margaret Mary community a wonderful Family Day holiday.
 Yours in Catholic Education,

Mrs. Snyder

Prayer: For Black Heritage Month

Lord God, We thank you for the significance of this Black Heritage Month.
 We thank you for the opportunity to learn and reflect particularly at this time, here and now.
 We pray that the learning happening in schools, homes and workplaces will be meaningful.
 We pray for open hearts and minds and spirits willing to learn and be transformed by you.
 May this month be a time of curiosity and sharing, conversations, celebrations, and encouragement.
 We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Week at a Glance

Monday	February 19	HAPPY FAMILY DAY!
Tuesday	February 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pocket Hugs on Sale for \$2.00 ● Hero Burger
Wednesday	February 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pocket Hugs on Sale for \$2.00 ● Quesada Lunch ●  Popcorn Wednesday ● Int Boys Basketball exhibition game
Thursday	February 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pocket Hugs on Sale for \$2.00 ● Robotics Club ● Express Chicken
Friday	February 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CIVVIES DAY!

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Attendance Matters

We would like to stress the importance of school punctuality and regular attendance. Regular attendance is vitally important and can lead to improved classroom learning, better test results, important relationships and friendships, good reference for future education and healthy habits. Regular attendance is directly linked to success at school.

We understand that there are times that your child may need to be picked up early for an appointment. If possible, please pick them up at a natural break in the school day (recess or lunch) so that we can avoid disruptions of learning time. Letting the teacher know ahead of time is also very much appreciated. If you have any concern in regards to your child’s attendance and punctuality, please contact Mrs. Snyder.

Upcoming

- Feb 26- Intermediates to Snow Valley
- Feb 26- Scientist in the School- Grade 2 (Information on School Day)
- Feb 28- Scientist in the School- Grade 3 (Information on School Day)
- Feb 29- Virtue “mini” Assembly Large Gym (parents welcome) 9 am
- March 4- Int. Boys' Basketball @ St. Angela Merici
- March 5- Int. Girls Basketball @ St. James
- March 6- CSC meeting 7pm in the library
- March 11- 15- MARCH BREAK

