

# SALTCOATS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## PINK SHIRT DAY

National Pink Shirt Day is February 28th this year. Pink Shirt Day was established in 2007, after two Nova Scotia students, David Shepherd and Travis Price, took action to turn the tide against bullies who were targeting a male student who wore a pink polo shirt on his first day of school, calling him inappropriate names, and threatening him. Mr. Shepherd and Mr. Price decided that "enough was enough," went to a nearby store and bought 50 pink shirts to distribute and wear at school the next day. They then emailed classmates to get them on-board with their advocacy that they dubbed a "sea of pink." Not only were the purchased pink shirts worn, but hundreds of students showed up the next day wearing their own pink clothing."

Let's show our Mustang support by wearing Pink on February 28th!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 12 - 100 Days of School (Gr.1/2)
- February 15 - Ice Cream Fundraiser
- February 15 - Pajama Day
- February 16 - Last day of school before the Winter Break
- February 26 - First day of classes following the Winter Break (Day 3)
- February 28 - National Pink Shirt Day
- March 14 - Report Cards
- March 20 & 21 - Student Led Conferences
- March 28 - Last day of school before Easter Break
- April 1 to 5 - Easter Break
- April 8 - First Day back from Break (Day 3)



## CURLING

In January, the Boys and Girls Curling Teams participated in a Junior Bonspiel in Yorkton. Both teams curled three very close games and each had a record of 1-2.

Boys Team - Zaiden E., Tyler T., Jacob B., Dougal F., Kamden B.

Girls Team - Jnae N., Addison N., Rachel D., Kalliegh M.

Way to go Mustangs!



## 100 Day

Our Grade 1/2 class will be celebrating 100 days of school on February 12th.

It's always a very fun day of seeing different ways to show what 100 looks like, whether it be 100 marshmallows or 100 lego blocks.



## DANCE SASKATCHEWAN

Saltcoats School was pleased to host another Dance workshop at our school this year. Kristy Apodaca from Dance Saskatchewan was here to share her dance knowledge and lead students through some movement exercises. It was a great opportunity to have a professional visit our school as part of our Dance Curriculum.



## MID-WINTER BREAK

The last day of classes before the mid-winter break will be Friday, February 16th.

Classes will resume on Monday, February 26 (Day 3).



## INTRAMURAL UPDATE

Intramurals continue during the noon hour. In Gr. 6-8 Floor Hockey, the Savannah Bananas are this year's champions. They are now playing Handball Gr. 3-5 just finished Floor Hockey. The Jaguars are this year's Champions.

Saltcoats School website:

<http://sal.gssd.ca>

# It's Time to Register!

for Prekindergarten & Kindergarten!

laugh, learn, play.



## Prekindergarten

- Children who are 3 (by Sept. 30) or already 4 may complete an application to attend
- Apply by the end of April 2024
- Prekindergarten selection is based on the Ministry of Education guidelines
- Children who turn 3 later in the year may apply to Prekindergarten throughout the year

### PreK program locations:

- Canora Junior Elementary School
- Columbia School - Yorkton
- Davison School - Melville
- Dr. Brass School - Yorkton
- Langenburg Central School
- PPEP Program - Esterhazy
- Norquay School - Norquay
- Victoria School - Kamsack

## Kindergarten

- Children who were born in 2019 can register for Kindergarten
- Register by the end of March 2024

## Michif Early Learning Program

- Children who are 3 & 4 may complete an application to attend
- Apply by the end of May 2024
- Columbia School



Scan Here for Our Registration Page



Visit [www.gssd.ca](http://www.gssd.ca) for application and registration information or call your local school.



## SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

February 15th will be Pajama Day.



## VALENTINE'S DAY

The Grade 7/8 Leadership Team is planning some activities for all students to participate in on February 14th.

happy Valentine's day



## ICE CREAM TO SOLVE AN ISSUE

On Thursday, February 15th, the Grade 7/8 Leadership team has organized an Ice Cream Fundraiser. Anyone who brings a dollar to school will be given an ice cream sandwich. For anyone who brings in more money for the fundraiser will have their name put into a draw. For example, if a student brings in five dollars, they will get their name put in the draw 5 times. There will be two winners and these lucky winners will win a DQ gift card to get even more ice cream! The money raised will be given to two families in need.



## Indigenous Storytelling Month

FEBRUARY, 2024

Open to all GSSD students, families and staff!

February 6 & 8, 2024  
 Tuesday and Thursday:  
 Kindergarten - Grade 3: 1-1:30pm  
 Grades 4-8: 1:35-2pm  
 Grades 9-12: 2:20-2:55pm

[Click here to join!](#)  
 Same link for all sessions, all month long!

5	6	7	8	9
	Métis Elder George Allary		Métis Elder Joanna Potyondi	
	Tuesday		Thursday	

### George Allary

George is a Michif, Cree and French speaker, enjoys Métis fiddle music, dancing and working with horses. He spent 45 years involved with Chuck wagon racing and playing in the Town & Country Band.

George grew up in the Métis road allowance community of Tokyo at Crescent Lake located 19 km south of Yorkton. His family had no running water, no power and used a wood stove for cooking and heating. To attend school George walked 3 miles to Meadow View School with the name changing in 1952 to Allary School. The two-room school was built in 1946 and was attended by students from the Crescent Lake Métis Settlement, Little Bone Reserve and surrounding farming area. In 1967 Allary School was registered as the first government aided Métis School. The school closed in 1977.



### Joanna Potyondi

Joanna Potyondi is a very respected Métis Elder who traces her roots back to one of the first Métis leaders, Cuthbert Grant. Currently living on a farm by Melville she raises horses and is an avid promoter and advocate for Métis Culture in all ways available.

