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SLA Student Travels to Montreal for CWSF



Anastasia stands in front of her project in Montreal. Colour Psychology

Anastasia J. represented the St. Lawrence Academy well this year in the SLSF where she received seven wards including "Best in Fair" and the chance to attend the Canada Wide Science Fair at McGill University in Montreal. Highlights included being introduced to mentors in her field of study and, meeting Chris Hadfield the famous Canadian Astronaut, and making new friends from all across Canada. She has come back with a fire to place in the top three again next year but looks like she will have tough competition with her classmates who are all already thinking about what their projects will be.



If I Were The Principal...

The 2/3 Class were challenged for their final Journal to list what they would do differently if they were Principal. Take notes Mrs. Jo!

If I were Principal:

I would wear a velvet suit – **Ebba C.**

In 1 day I would do my work but for the rest of the day I would check my emails. – **Emma A.**

I would teach kids how to skydive. – **Ben M.**

I would make ice cream sundaes for everyone and I would change the roof so that there was a jet on it. – **Andrew P.**

If people broke the rules, they would have to do extra math. – **Ella L.**

I would make one of the hot lunches Chinese noodles and my office will have a rainbow painted on it. – **Evie C.**
I would teach how to sword fight and how to fire a cannon. The bus would have rocket boosters and airplane wings and parachutes in case of emergency. Recess would be underground with metal bars to support it. – **Eamon B.**

My office will have a suit of armor, a shield, a throne of fire and a two foot tall computer screen. – **Ben M.**

I would have a back massage chair in my office. The rules for the teachers would be no going home early. – **Chloe M.**

I would put in a hot tub, swimming pool, super fun play structure and a fruit and vegetable garden. My office will have a carpet made of fur. I love my school! – **Isabel W.**



SLA Students Isabel W. and Ben M. were guest speakers along with Mrs. Joannis at this month's Rotary Club Meeting



9th Annual Spring Fling Fundraiser a Smashing Success!

This year was another successful year for St. Lawrence Academy's annual Spring Fling. We had a great committee with various talents and attributes that were well utilized. We would like to take this opportunity to again thank all the parents and donors for their generous donations and support. Without you, this would not have been possible.

This was our first year hosting the Spring Fling at the Aquarium at Tall Ships Landing. All the feedback we received the night of the event was positive and everyone had a great time.

Our Spring Fling annual goal is always \$25,000. We are more than happy to report that this year, after expenses, SLA's net profit is: **\$32,877.88**

The Spring Fling committee are now holding their wrap-up meetings, writing thank-you cards and compiling donation receipts which will be mailed out shortly. A new Spring Fling committee will be formed in September at the first PA Meeting. It will be exciting to begin planning for the 10th Annual Spring Fling – a real milestone for SLA. A HUGE 'Thank You' goes out to our 2015/2016 Committee: Heather Bishop, Leslie Bottigoni, Renee Couturier, Lynda Joannis, Angela Moodie, Lisa Purvis & Rhona Taylor –*from the 2015-16 AGM Report*

5 for 50 Chairman's Challenge

At this year's Spring Fling, SLA's newly appointed Board Chair, Fraser Laschinger, presented a **5 for 50** fundraiser to those in attendance to raise \$50,000.00 for a new bus for September 2016. That evening, 27 donors pledged to donate a projected amount of over \$18,000.00! AMAZING!

To re-ignite the excitement, Fraser Laschinger introduced a "**Chairman's Challenge**" at the Annual AGM on June 6, 2016. He has pledged a matching donation of **\$5,000** for all new contributions (pledges and donations) made to the "5 for 50" campaign as of June 6th, 2016. This offer will run to September 1, 2016. Between these two dates, Fraser will match all donations up to \$5,000 cumulative. If successful, this challenge could raise another \$10,000 on top of the \$18,000 we have in donations and pledges to date. Our Goal is still to have \$50,000 to purchase a new bus in September. Including Fraser's "**Chairman's Challenge**", if every family finds 3 donors, we can meet that goal. This is not an impossible task.

Together we can fill the bus for the future of SLA!

Find out more – Call (613)-925-5600 or email 5for50@stlawrenceacademy.ca today!



1st Annual Track & Field Meet a Hit!

SLA's first Invitational Track & Field Day included ten students from the Homeschooling community and St. Mark's Catholic School. We were also thrilled to have over half of the parent community join us to time and run events. Mrs. Hunter and Mr. Anderson worked diligently for weeks to plan and organize the meet and their efforts were greatly appreciated. The highlight for many of the students was the Parent/Staff Relay race. A fun event for all, the K-1 class shared some of their experience in their journals:

On Friday June 3rd I had a big track meet at the school. First, I got my gym clothes on and second we came outside. I raced and Emma N. won the race and I came in second place. Next I played Shot Put and I came in first place and then I played Standing Long Jump and Ben W. came in first. Then we had lunch and did a relay race. [There was an] awards ceremony and then we got two freezies. - **Aiden P.**

On Friday the 3rd it was the track and field meet. There were 4 events. The first event was the 60m sprint. The second event was shot put and the third event was standing long jump. It was fun! They called our relay teams and [we] made a chant and [chose] a mascot. After that, it was lunch. I had two hot dogs and chips and chocolate milk. After that we did our relay race, [and then] the awards ceremony for all of the events. - **Jaden L.**

We drew our mascots with chalk on the pavement. At lunch I sat [outside] with Aiden, Jaden, Eamon, Edan, Ben and Andrew. I had a very fun day. - **Ben W.**



The 4,5 Class Are Published Authors!



Miss Paquette's Grade 4/5 class received a package this week containing their published works. A class project since early this year. Each student received a copy of the class's written works and illustration to keep for a lifetime.



A Steady Partnership With The South Grenville Food Bank



SLA Students Madeleine J and Zaida B. act as auction aids and sing with Anastasia J., PKC kids and Mrs. Jo for the event

St. Lawrence Academy students enthusiastically lent a hand this year to the South Grenville Food Bank and their Annual auction held this year at the St. Mark's Parish Centre. Mr. MacNeil's Grade 6,7 class has lent a hand throughout the 2015-16 school year and offered their talents auction night to sing a song co-written by Mrs. Joannis and Bonnie Pigeon to recognize the need for the local foodbank and the

many volunteers who work together to ensure things run smoothly. The South Grenville Foodbank will see a continued partnership with SLA as next year students hope to create an information video for the bank to use in information presentations at local area schools.



SLA Honours and Awards May Awards

Mrs. Hunter's Class	Artist: Ben W.	Mrs. Nandoo's Class	Artist: Ebba C.	Miss Paquette's Class	Artist: Warren M.	Mr. MacNeil's Class	Artist: Charlotte E.
	Character: Aiden L.		Character: Isabel W.		Character: Riley S.		Character: Austin M.

SLA Students Honoured for Poetry & Poster

Austin M. and Finnian B. were both honoured this past month for their achievements in the Canadian Legion Poetry and Poster Contests. The two attended a special ceremony to recognize their achievements at the Prescott Legion Branch 97 where their poem and poster will be on display for years to come to commemorate the event. We are very proud of the work you have done under Mr. MacNeil and Mrs. Hosick. Congratulations!



Mr. MacNeil and the Gr. 6,7 Class joined the Royal Bank of Canada to clean up the beach in Prescott. Donning gloves and plastic ponchos to protect against the weather (which was not participating that day) students spent the morning at Kelly's Beach and the new Riverwalk.

6,7 Class Cleans up the Beach



Mrs. Joannis and the Joannis Family was honoured this month to receive the "Volunteer Of The Year Award" for the town of Prescott. Besides her work with the SG Bee, PKC Musicals, the St. Lawrence Shakespeare Festival and the Friends Of The Library; The St. Lawrence Academy was a big part of the Award, being mentioned for the volunteer work and active community participation under Mrs. Joannis's leadership.

**COMING UP:
MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!
AWARDS
CEREMONY —
THURSDAY JUNE 16
6:30PM
ANNUAL P.A.
GARAGE SALE —
SAT JUNE 25 & SUN
JUNE 26 (TBC)**