

## Upcoming Dates

June 12: Piano Recital  
June 27: Last Day of School (2:30pm dismissal)  
June 28: Admin Day (no classes)  
Sept 3: First Day of School (2019-2020)

### Matheson Elementary School:

June 13: Kindergarten Grad  
June 26: Elementary Concert (7pm)

### Middle School:

June 11: MS Musical Drama  
June 11: Gr 7&8 ELA exams  
June 13: Grade 7&8 Math exams  
June 24: Grade 8 Graduation (7pm)  
June 25: MS at Bird's Hill Park  
June 26: Grade 5-7 Awards Ceremony (1:30pm)

### High School:

June 6: High School Athletic Banquet  
June 11: Gr 12 Pre-Calculus Prov Stds Test  
June 17-20: Exam Week\*  
June 18: Grade 9 Orientation for Parents (6:30)  
June 25: Graduation (1pm)  
June 27: High School Awards Chapel

\*The exam schedule is now online.

July 22 to Aug 9: School will be closed



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## Grandparents Day in the Elementary School

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, Faith Academy Elementary held its second annual Grandparent's Day. The event was a great success, as approximately 200 grandparents and a few family members joined our students for an afternoon of songs, poems, and scripture readings in the Chapel. The afternoon was brought to a close as Grandparents made their way into the classrooms to meet their grandchildren's teachers and support staff.

Thank you to all of the teachers for your hard work and the thought that you put into your classes' performance. A special thank you to Mrs. Enns and Mrs. Leclair for making sure there was enough coffee and dainties for all! And a huge thank you to everyone who took the time to join us for Grandparent's Day!



- Mrs. Laurie Dyck

## Provincial French Contest

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, 12 Grade Four students participated in a French oral contest at Faith Academy Elementary. Students independently created 7-10 sentences in French about a selected topic, and recited what they had written in front of an audience of parents and students, as well as 2 French judges. They were judged on creativity, pronunciation and confidence. The following are our top three finishers: 1<sup>st</sup> place: Noah White, 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Isabelle Carmichael, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Mariela David. Noah White went on to the provincial French contest at the University of St-Boniface on May 4<sup>th</sup>, where he performed his speech in front of a few hundred people! Good job Noah! You represented our school well, and we are so proud of you!

At the grade 9 level, Gene Saria also participated in the provincial French contest in St. Boniface on May 4<sup>th</sup>. Gene took part in the French: Communication and Culture category. In this competition, grade 9 students were required to give a 3 to 5 minute speech and answer the judges questions. Gene talked about her family and was awarded the bronze medal. Congratulations Gene!



-Mme. Katia Moreau

## Middle School Athletic Banquet

This year's athletic banquet took place at the Beach Volleyball Centre in East St. Paul. All the team members and coaches got together and had a blast! We participated in three activities: archery tag, beach volleyball, and dodgeball. Later, while everyone was eating, there was a slideshow and an awards presentation. The coaches presented awards to some athletes, but we celebrated each person who had participated on any of the teams. The banquet was a very memorable event and I thank all the people who worked hard to organize it.



-Kirandeep Warha (7B)



The grade 11 class next to the eternal flame at the Parliament buildings in Ottawa.

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## Grade 7 and 8 Track and Field



The track and field day was tiring, exciting, and amusing. We were always doing something, whether it was running till we dropped or

sitting on a beach towel cheering for our fellow classmates. We were very nervous going into the track and field meet. We also thought, "Was the track always that big?!" We felt that even though we weren't close to most of the people we watched, we cheered so loudly that we definitely annoyed the other schools. There were moments where we were so embarrassed that we wanted to walk away and pretend that we didn't even know them. It was also hilarious to see our competitors' faces and look over some of the embarrassing photos that were taken of one another.



These moments changed our entire dynamic and also brought us closer to one another. Overall, it was sad and upsetting but at the same time it was fun and exhilarating. It's too bad that not everyone could be there to see it. So we strongly encourage those in the younger grades to join track and field in grade seven and eight and for the remainder of your time at Faith Academy. See you there!

- Noryn De Guzman and Sarah H. Europa

## Ottawa 2019

This years grade 11 class had the privilege of going on the annual trip to Ottawa for Canadian history class. We left on May 23 and returned back on the 31st. Even through the 30 hours of being confined to a bus, we were able to make the most of it. It was a blessing both to become closer together, but also to enjoy the experience of exploring new places.



We were able to see many things that we learned in class, and also things we knew as Canadians. Things like the Terry Fox memorial, Crysler farm, and landmarks of Canada were given a new meaning when we were able to experience them for ourselves.

We were able to see Parliament, and explore the Senate and House of Commons. Through this, we were able to learn more about democracy and how our country is run. We also saw many museums that both entertained and taught us more about the history and achievements of Canada. We saw the Science and Technology museum, museum of Canadian History, Canadian War museum, and the Space and Aviation museum. We also saw historical sights like the Diefenbunker, the Governor general's house, and Upper Canada village. History came alive for us through these experiences.

One of the most memorable things that we enjoyed was at the end of each day when we were able to worship together. Our teachers shared with us valuable truths about God, and we also were able to learn from each other. Hearts were touched and moved through God during this trip. We were able to unite and join together as a grade through these experiences and with the help of God.

The class of 2020 immensely enjoyed and grew from our trip to Ottawa, and we would like to thank everyone who was a part of it and was able to make it happen!

- Kim Waldner (gr. 11)

## National Student Commonwealth Forum (NSCF)

From April 27<sup>th</sup> to May 3<sup>rd</sup>, I got the opportunity to participate as the only Manitoba delegate in the 47<sup>th</sup> National Student Commonwealth Forum (NSCF) in Ottawa! NSCF is a weeklong political forum for students from grade 11 to second year university. Youth from all over Canada come and there is scarcely ever a dull moment! Delegates engage in politics, global events, and the Commonwealth, while meeting others from across the country. This year, our theme was sustainable communities.



We learned and listened to important speeches. We watched question period in the House of Commons and debate in the Senate. My partner and I visited the High Commissioner of Australia to Canada before representing Australia at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) at Global Affairs Canada!

Other activities included plenty of events, games, and teambuilding, including a BBQ with MPs. There was also plenty of free time to explore Ottawa with friends!

Experiencing government was unforgettable, and making friends from BC to Newfoundland was amazing! It was fascinating to see the similarities and differences between different regions of Canada. The whole week really broadened my perspective!

My week at NSCF was the experience of a lifetime, and I can't recommend it enough! To find out more or to apply for next year, visit <https://www.nscf-fnec.ca/>.

- David Ringham (gr 11)