

## Upcoming Dates

Feb 2: Teacher In-Service (no classes)  
Feb 16: Teacher In-Service (no classes)  
Feb 19: Louis Riel Day (no classes)

### Matheson Elementary School:

Feb 9: Dress in Olympic Ring Colours  
Feb 13: 100 Day  
Feb 15: Dress in a Flag Day  
Feb 22: Dress in Work Out Clothes  
Feb 23: Festival Day  
Feb 27: Hot Lunch  
Feb 28: Return the Reading Calendar

### Middle School:

Feb 13: ELA exam gr. 7 & 8  
Feb 13: Curling, gr. 6 & 8  
Feb 15: Math exam gr. 7 & 8  
Feb 15: Curling, gr. 5 & 7  
Feb 20: Bird's Hill Park, gr. 5 & 6  
Feb 21: Hotdog Lunch Day (orders due Feb 15)  
Feb 22: Bird's Hill Park, gr. 7 & 8  
Feb 26: Fort Whyte, gr. 5 & 6  
Feb 28: Fort Whyte, gr. 7 & 8

### High School:

Feb 9: Final semester 1 report cards go home  
Feb 11: Mission 2 team leaves for El Salvador  
Feb 21: U of W visit day  
Feb 21: Mission 2 team returns  
Feb 22: U of M visit day  
Feb 23: Mission 2 House Chapel.

## Attention Graduates!

This year, Mrs. Doroshuk has made it easier than ever to submit your grad quote for the yearbook. Go to the URL below, fill out the online form, and submit.

<http://goo.gl/FRNW4y>

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## The Ins and Outs of Pick-Ups and Drop-Offs

As many of you know, the start and end of the school day is a very busy time. We understand that many parents and guardians are extremely busy and are in a rush to drop off or pick up their child, and we want those transitions to be as smooth and quick as possible. Unfortunately, we are noticing an increase in traffic infractions that jeopardize the safety of our students – especially our patrols, who do an excellent job every day trying to keep our school community safe. We would like to remind everyone of the following rules that will help everyone stay safe:



- Three point turns are not permitted in streets in front of our schools. Please take a few extra moments and go around the block. At our Matheson location, it would be helpful if all vehicles travelled from east to west (from Powers toward MacGregor). Please plan your route accordingly.
- Stay clear of our bus lanes on Matheson and on Teakwood at the middle school. This is especially important from 8:30-8:50 and 3:30-3:50. We have 7 buses that arrive and leave our school daily. They need the space to drop off and pick up students.
- Watch for red flashing lights and stop signs on buses. Stop means stop!
- Respect the school zone speed limit of 30 km/hour around all of our schools.
- Keep your eyes open! Although the patrols do a fantastic job every day, there are still some crossings that are not monitored. Many of our children are crossing these intersections by themselves. Be aware and be prepared to stop.
- Do not pick up your child or park in or behind staff parking stalls in the back alley behind the Matheson school.
- Avoid Carruthers Avenue if possible. If you do need to use Carruthers, do not block neighbour's driveways or garages, and please move out of their way quickly if you are in the way. Under no circumstances should anyone park on Carruthers and leave their vehicle. (Carruthers Avenue is the street behind the playground at our Matheson campus.)

The school knows that finding parking spots is difficult. Powers Avenue and Copp Street provide parking, as well as the west side of Matheson past the high school lunchroom. We ask that you use these three areas first, especially when picking up your children. We want to keep students safe and maintain good relationships with our neighbours. Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

- Mrs. Dyck

## Social Studies Fair

On Dec. 12 my class did a social studies presentation. We had to write a paragraph for each topic. We all made sure to make it look presentable. We also had to make an artifact to go along with it. After we had lots of time to work on our poster we were all ready to present.

First we presented to the other grade 5 class. Mrs. Leitao made jam and bread so that we could have a yummy snack. We presented our artifacts first. We had to tell what it is, its purpose, and how people use it. After presenting to the other class the grade 7 classes came to look at our projects. They also got to eat a snack. Next the grade 6 classes came and they also got to eat a snack. After all these classes came we got to check the other class' posters. They were really cool too.



- Kaithlyn Mangune, 5B

## Introducing Mrs. Leitao



Carolyn Leitao is my other half at Faith Academy Middle school. Together we are taking on teaching grade 5. In the past couple of months I have learned that she is kind, compassionate and is amazing at making homemade jam! Carolyn, has spent many years serving in ministry. She spent a season in her life travelling back and forth to Uganda with YWAM. The longest amount of time she spent away was a year. Since she was 14 Carolyn has also been volunteering with Living Bible Explorers, something that has grown to be big part of her life! Last year she got married to Matthew and is now enjoying life with their son Jake, who loves to entertain and make people laugh.

- Ms. Mansilla

## Mission Team to El Salvador

This year, the Faith Academy Mission 2 team will be traveling to beautiful El Salvador from February 11<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>. There, we will be working with the organization Operation Mobilisation (<https://www.om.org/ca/en/country-profile/el-salvador>), staying in rural areas of Ahuachapan, which is an area known for its flower fields and coffee plantations.

We will be doing a variety of activities, including construction work, working in schools, evangelism, running youth groups, and leading church services. The Mission 2 Team asks for your support in prayer, specifically for:

- The team members: Mr. Kroeker, Mrs. Bailey, Isaac Stetski, Michael Hofer, Maria Churchill, Marienn Saria, Jared Olojan, Samuel Cruz, Serena Waldner, Sarah Ruitter, Matthew Dewey, Luigi Llanes, Abby Warkentin, and Jillian Fast.
- The final preparations for the trip.
- That we will be a blessing and encouragement to the local church.
- The people in El Salvador, especially in some of the events that are affecting their nation.
- The team members who are staying in Winnipeg and being a light to the school.
- Safety as we travel to and from El Salvador.

Unfortunately due to the remoteness of our location, updates will not be available during the trip. We look forward to sharing our stories and experiences upon our return.

- Mrs. Bailey



## Taking Care of Our Teeth

On the afternoon of January 10<sup>th</sup>, the grade 3's and 4's welcomed Dr. Amirali Ghodousi and his assistant Pauline into their classrooms. The dentist gave a short presentation on the importance of dental health and took the time to do quick (and painless) "check-ups" for 45 students.

We want to thank Matheson Dental Clinic for taking the time to come to Faith Academy and strengthening our community relationship!

-Mrs. Dyck

## Scholarship for Faith Academy Graduate

Congratulations to David Laudato who graduated in 2017. After graduation, David was awarded one of the three Chancellors' Scholarships by the University of Manitoba. These scholarships are awarded to the Manitoba graduates attending the University of Manitoba that have the second, third, and fourth highest graduating averages in the province. The \$5000 entrance scholarship is renewable for three years as long as the recipient continues to meet the requirements set by the university.

David is an excellent student who works extremely hard. He is a very deserving recipient, and we are incredibly proud of him.

-Mr. Warkentin



Congratulations to the grade 7 and 8 boys basketball team and their coaches Jenny Roemer and Melody Nicomedes on winning the Springs Christian School grade 7 and 8 boys basketball tournament. The boys went undefeated in the tournament and defeated Linden Christian School in the championship game.