

Madonna Catholic School Council Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm February 21, 2024, taking place online via google meet.

In attendance:	Karen A, Kendra P, Francie V, Kerstin A, Kim M, Nicole H, Sheana A., Ted P
Time	Notes
7:08pm	Karen A. - prayer Karen A-Treaty acknowledgement
7:09pm	Approval of last meeting minutes Kim M. approved Sheana A seconded
7:09pm	Ted Paszek Board Meeting in January approved calendars for upcoming school year Hired a new assistant superintendent Series of advocacy sessions have been held incl. Meetings with MLAs to advocate for division needs, sister boards to keep building relationship, municipalities and councilors Faith and Wellness day for EICS staff was held A number of surveys are occurring right now- data is crucial input into how EICS is organized and resources are allocated
7:14pm	Teacher and Leadership Report (see Appendix A below)
7:29pm	Chair Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CEPAC summary ● Save on foods/Cobbs fundraiser still going on ● Bingo ● Hot Lunch Cycle 2- Thank you volunteers ● February 13th, Shrove Tuesday.Pancakes were a success. <i>need new griddles</i> ● Chair/Co-chair position ● Beach day- popsicles ● June 14th - hot dog lunch for the school
7:43pm	Open Discussion Madonna Clothing Item Order is coming
7:46pm	Meeting Adjourned

February 21, 2024- School Council - Teacher's Report



Before each School Council meeting we will send out a Google Document requesting each teacher to please provide a short blurb highlighting some of the exciting things happening in your classroom. The teacher report serves as a way to inform our school council of events happening in classrooms, showcases the hard work being done and/or celebrates successes.

Pre-K - Mrs. Pineau and Mrs. Selinger	We are using books and games to help us explore all of our different feelings.
Kindergarten - Mrs. Fortier	We are enjoying/are excited for all of the exciting things we have going in February. In addition to Valentine's, Pink, Shirt Day, our Gallery 501 field trip, and pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, it was also the first time many of our students attended Ash Wednesday Mass. We are working hard to organize our school's Lenten Food Drive for Strathcona County Food Bank-we are hoping to beat last year's total of 315 lbs of food!
Cogito Kindergarten - Mrs. Cholak	We just started our measurement unit in Math, and we are working hard to learn more complex graphemes. We have started guiding reading this month and it has been a huge

	success.
Grade 1 - Mrs. Stadnick and Ms. Wiunow	1SW has enjoyed the many exciting events that take place in the month of February, such as learning about Lent, participating in eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday and experiencing Ash Wednesday at OLPH Catholic Church. Students also enjoyed celebrating Valentine’s Day and letting others know they are appreciated by writing Valentine’s Cards. Tomorrow for the 100th day of school, students will dress as though they are 100 years old and participate in various learning activities with a 100 theme.
Cogito Grade 1 - Mrs. Bourassa	Finished our novel study and will start learning about fables. Excited for 100 day when our linking generations volunteer will visit.
Grade 2 - Mrs. LaRose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We had so much fun taking a day away from school and going to Hockey Hooky today with our buddy class! - We had lots of fun having an in-school field trip to kick off our new science unit of Sound and Light! - We are looking forward to the opportunity to go to St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral to learn about Lent, Holy Week and Easter!
Cogito Grade 2 and 3 - Mrs. Odiobala	<p>In our class, we are working on story writing. We are working on reading comprehension skills. In math, the grade two students will explore different strategies to make addition within 100 easier, including adding and subtracting small amounts from each addend to bridge to the nearest 10; using tens and ones, regrouping when necessary.</p> <p>In grade three, the students are working hard on their Division unit, students will learn about division as a method of sharing.</p>
Grade 3 - Mrs. Vukovic	The grade 3’s have been GLOWING and GROWING:)) In our PEW class we began to learn about food and celebrated by planning, organizing and having our very own Friendship Lunch. In Language Arts we continue our work with our novel read aloud, studying elements of writing and building our comprehension. We learned about expressing our opinions orally and in writing, and are now typing up our opinion piece. In Math we have completed our multiplication and will soon be done with our division. We

	<p>use real life opportunities to practice multiplication and division. We are studying area and perimeter in our morning math work and will be making a ZOO using these math skills! In Science we learned about Computer Science and are working on a Canadian Inventor Research project. We have a Teacher's Pet Inschool FieldTrip on February 27, Forces Reinforced. In Social we continue to use organizers and group work to explore Big Questions about Quality of Life. In Religion we are growing in our faith as we begin our Lenten Journey. A special project: Resurrection Eggs is coming up. We are enjoying our Linking Generations experience. Grandpa Bernie visits us twice a month.</p>
<p>Grade 3 and 4 - Ms. Gauthier</p>	<p>We enjoyed our trip to Rogers Arena to take part in Hockey Hooky. We love delivering the new Breakfast bins. Lent has us praying, fasting and almsgiving - we are working to strengthen our personal relationships with Jesus during this special time. We have wrapped up our Subtraction unit and are starting Multiplication, which the kids are loving!</p>
<p>Grade 4 - Ms. Podoborzny and Mrs. Jessome</p>	<p>Thank you for everyone's support in our Grade 4 Bingo & Raffle, it was a huge success. We are also very appreciative all the whole school's support in our bottle drive.</p> <p>We are working on our narrative writing unit and using elaborative detail. We are also starting our division unit! In social studies the grade 4s have been learning about the first British and French settlers in Alberta, Metis and Francophone cultures and traditions, and treaties. In science we are just wrapping up our unit on Light and Shadows. We have been doing as many hands-on activities and experiments as possible! It has been so much fun! We will be going on a field trip to the Edmonton Waste Management Center on February 27th to complement our Waste and our World unit that we completed in December.</p>

Leadership Report:

- Mrs. Antoniuk has stepped in for Mme Gravelle during her leave. The students and staff have been very excited to have her back. It's been a very smooth transition!
- Volunteers for Breakfast Program

- It has been a great success so far! To keep the program going, we are looking to get more volunteers to make it sustainable. Currently, we only have 2 volunteers coming.
- Dejeme drums will be here for the month of March. Students are looking forward to using them!
- Lenten Food Bank Drive Continues.. Thank you to all those who have already contributed!
- Evidence of Learning to go home the week of March 11th. Kindergarten to Grade 3 will be a paper vision, while Grade 4 students will be using digital versions.
- March 20th & 21st are 3 Way Conferences. This is a great time to celebrate your child's success.
- Thank you to everyone who completed all the surveys! We had great representation of Madonna Catholic School.

Meeting minutes were recorded by Nicole H and submitted to madonnaces@gmail.com on February 21, 2024.