



## MARCH 2023

# NEWSLETTER

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## Principal's Message Mr. Dean MacInnis

March will be a short month here at Sir John. There is no school on Friday, March 10th and March Break begins on March 13th. Students will return to school on Monday, March 27th.

We have set dates for the 2023 Grad season. On June 10th, we will host the Indigenous Honor Ceremony on the SJF grounds. The formal grad ceremony will be held on June 26th in the school gym and the academic graduation ceremony will be held at Somba'ke park on June 27th. More details on these events will be posted as time gets closer.

February was a busy month at the school with many events. On February 15th, MAGMA hosted their first coffeehouse this year. Students were able to come to the library for a nice evening of poetry and music. To see more about this event, check out the rest of the newsletter. Pink Shirt Day was February 22nd. Staff and students were encouraged to wear pink to bring awareness to bullying. Thank you to all Falcons who participated! Our annual SJF Reading Challenge has already begun! So far,

we have read over 290 books! Keep reading everyone! It's very easy to join the challenge. Simply read a book and record your name and book title! See inside for more details.

This past weekend was the Sr. Cager basketball tournament. We started the tournament off with a school pep rally. Amazing work to all our athletes. Our 15U girls and 19U girls both won the banner this year in the AA divisions! Our jr boys placed second and our sr boys made it to the semi-finals. Great job!

Many of our students are currently in PEI competing in the Canada Winter Games. If you haven't had a chance to watch, there are still many events happening! GO NT!

On February 27th, our 'Sip and See' event was held for any graduating students who were needing an outfit for academic or formal graduation. Many community members donated dresses, suits, shoes, and more to help make someone's graduation a little better. It was a huge success and we thank everyone who helped with

these events and donated items.

The draft 2023-2024 school calendar has been released by YK1. Please see the newsletter for more details on this. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please contact the school.

### STAY CONNECTED

SJF Online:  
Website: [www.yk1.nt.ca/sjf](http://www.yk1.nt.ca/sjf)  
Email: [sjf@yk1.nt.ca](mailto:sjf@yk1.nt.ca)  
Facebook (Sir John Franklin High School)  
Twitter (@sjf\_school)  
Instagram (sirjohnfalcons)

### IMPORTANT DATES

**March 10-26**

March Break

**April 6th**

STIP Day- No School

**April 7th**

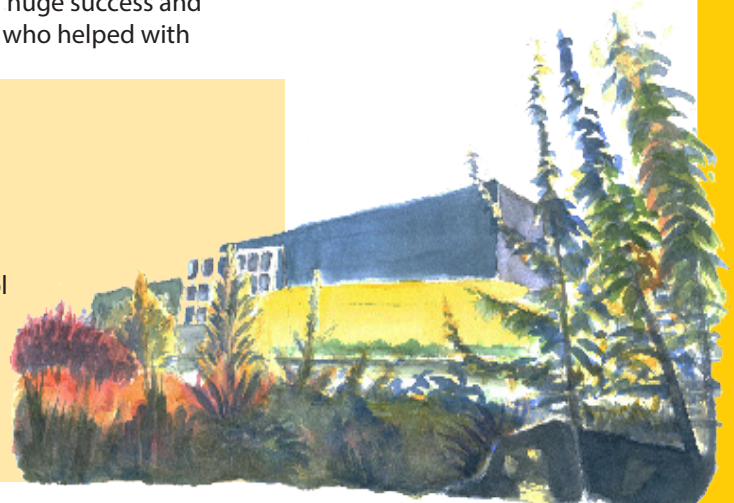
Good Friday- No School

**April 10th**

Easter Monday- No School

**April 20th**

PAC Meeting 7pm





# Congratulations

to the following Sir John athletes who are heading to PEI to participate in the

**2023 *Canada Winter Games!***



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## Archery

Ella Skauge

## Badminton

Morgan Stabel  
Ryley Steinward  
Grady Stabel  
Lucas Wilson

## Curling

Ian Gau  
Julian Bowling  
Shawn Dragon  
Tasir Bhuiyan

## Cross Country Ski

Adam Clinton  
Anna Curran  
Joseph Curran  
Leah McShane  
Malachi Morin  
Morgan Young  
Neve Mahon  
Nikolas Hawkins  
Skyra Pike  
Talia Ehrlich

## Karate

Matthew Bui  
Vincent Lumacad

## Hockey Male

Carter Kuchta  
Hayden Murray  
Jack Pettitpas  
Riley Hodder  
Ryan Harris  
Rylan Scarfe  
Vincent Hottin  
Wesley Lizotte  
Ryder Wicks

## Female Hockey

Abby McDonald  
Adrena McDonald  
Brooklyn Helyar  
Elliotte Loutitt  
Emma Carey  
Kami Gostick  
Morgan Noseworthy

## Speedskating

Byran Clinton  
Erika Pollard  
Kail Skauge  
Lochlan Dunn  
Maica McEachern  
Rebecca Messier  
Sage Acorn

## Squash

Colton Tumoth  
Loic Hipfner  
Mikka Pike

## Snowboard

Hawke Williams Ellis

## Table Tennis

David Dragon  
Nikhilesh Gohil  
Sofia Barichello

**Make us Proud!**



# Child and Youth Counselling Program

**Counselling services over March Break  
March 14th to March 25th**

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**Monday to Friday  
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
Walk-In or Call Ahead**

**Contact: 867-767-9110 ext. 41716  
Location: Goga Cho Building, 3rd Floor  
4916 47th Street**

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**For more mental health resources, please visit  
[www.nthssa.ca/mentalhealth](http://www.nthssa.ca/mentalhealth)**





# Child and Youth Counselling Program Updated Drop-In Process

**As of February 20th, the process to book a same day session with Danielle or Nicole will change.**

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**Book a same day session by calling, texting, or emailing from 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM. When booking, include:**

- First and last name
  - Preferred time slot (Morning or afternoon)
  - Preferred CYC (If applicable)
  - If you have been seen before
  - Method of contact for session\*
- \* Sessions available in person (at school), through phone, or video

**Call or text: 1-867-445-6332**

**Call: 1-867-767-9110 extension 41716**

**Email: [cyc\\_admin@gov.nt.ca](mailto:cyc_admin@gov.nt.ca)**

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**Sessions are first come, first served and must be booked same day.**





## Course selection instructions for the school year 2023-2024

### Current grade 9's:

Selections will be made in their homeroom classes with assistance from academic counselors. If a student misses the homeroom visit, they should contact their academic counselor.

### Current grade 10 & 11 students:

Students will be able to select courses for next year in PowerSchool. This will be on the website only, not the app. If you need assistance with PowerSchool access, please contact us at (867) 669-0773 or email [sjf@yk1.nt.ca](mailto:sjf@yk1.nt.ca)

Instructions for Selecting Courses:

1. Log in to the PowerSchool website using your student account: <https://yk1.ece.gov.nt.ca/public>
2. Select Class Registration on the left hand side
3. On each subject, <https://yk1.ece.gov.nt.ca/public> select your required courses
4. Hit submit
5. If you have completed each section and have selected enough credits, a list will be created with all your selections.
6. You can then log out

### Grade 12 students wanting to return:

You can follow the steps noted above for grade 10 & 11 students. If PowerSchool does not allow you to make the selections, please contact your academic counselor.

### Notes:

Please refer to the [Course Selection Handbook](#) for more information on the courses offered at Sir John.

If you can not select a course you want/need (ie/ you need both ELA 20-1 and ELA 30-1) or if you would like to select a CTS twice, please email your academic counselor to help you.

During the course selection process, if you are required to choose courses that you do not need, please email your academic counselor to help you.

# MAGMA Coffeehouse



On Wednesday February 15th MAGMA hosted its first coffeehouse of the year. Many students came to sing, read poetry and more. We hope to host more of these in the future.





**ÉCOLE SIR JOHN FRANKLIN  
HIGH SCHOOL**

## **2023 READING CHALLENGE**

**1. READ LOTS OF BOOKS BETWEEN FEBRUARY 1  
AND MARCH 31.**

**2. SCAN THE QR CODE AND  
RECORD EACH BOOK THAT YOU'VE  
FINISHED READING.**

**3. RECRUIT YOUR (SJF) FRIENDS  
AND TEACHERS TO JOIN!**



**IT'S OUR COMEBACK YEAR – HELP US WIN BACK THE TROPHY  
FROM ST. PAT'S!**

**\*NEED HELP? EMAIL MS. ROBSON – [TOMIKO.ROBSON@YK1.NT.CA](mailto:TOMIKO.ROBSON@YK1.NT.CA)**

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***We are at over 290 books read!!  
Keep going!***





# Science Space

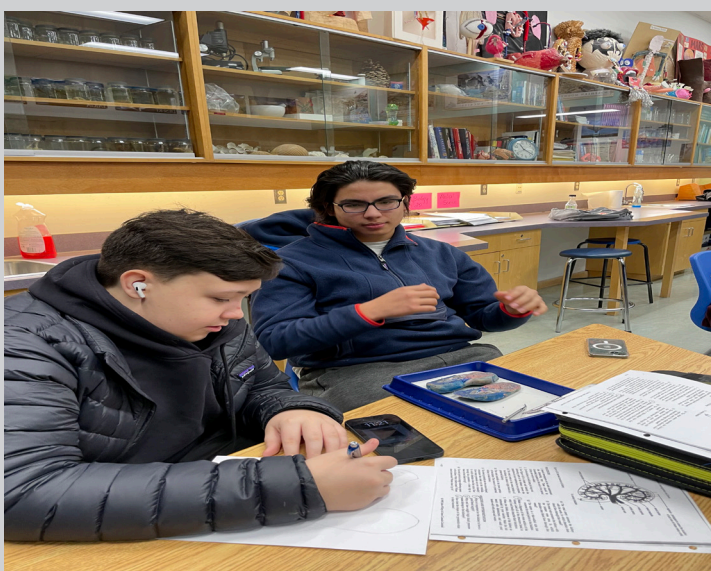
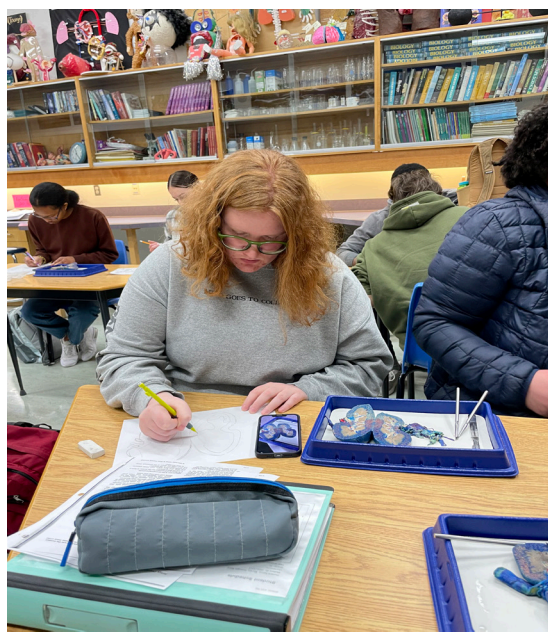
Three icons representing science: a magnifying glass, a lit lightbulb, and a globe.

## Science in Action

In Science, students get the opportunities to explore, experiment, discover in many of the cool activities and labs. Participating in hands-on activities, students can find another way to learn and understand the world of Science.

Biology 20 students doing dissections on sheep kidneys during the last classes of semester 1.

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# Reflexes and Reaction Rates Lab

Ms. Young's Biology 30 students participated in a lab where they tested reflexes with a rubber reflex hammer; pupil reactions with a pen light and reaction rates with a dropping ruler. Lets just say... the grads of 2023 had a few laughs and learned something new about the Human Body!

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# Sr. Cager Tournament

February 23-26th was the 2023 Sr Cagers basketball tournament. Our 15U girls and 19U girls both won banners in the AA division! Great job to all the athletes that participated in this tournament!

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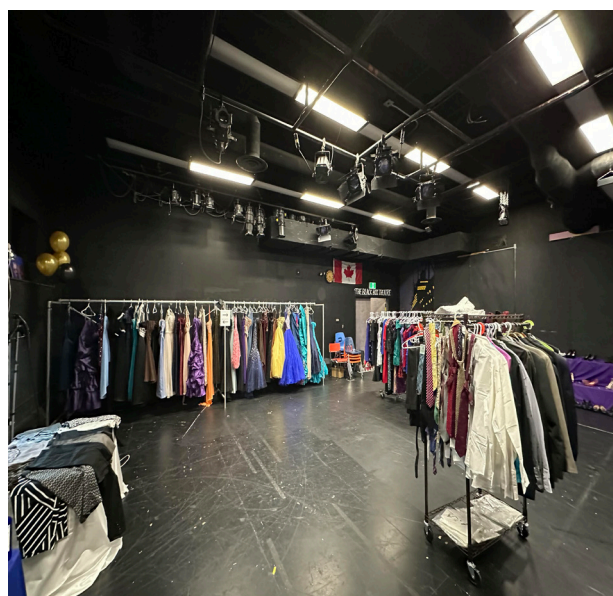


# Pink Shirt Day 2023



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## Grad Outfit Event



Over the last two months, members of the community have been bringing in formal wear such as prom dresses and suits to donate to grads of SJF. On Monday February 27, the school hosted a grad event where students could come in to try on outfits, have some appetizers, and hopefully bring home an outfit for grad! It was a huge success and we plan to host another one of these nights later in April. If you have any prom dresses or suits that you would like to donate, please bring them to the office.

We would like to thank everyone who donated to this event. Some special mentions:

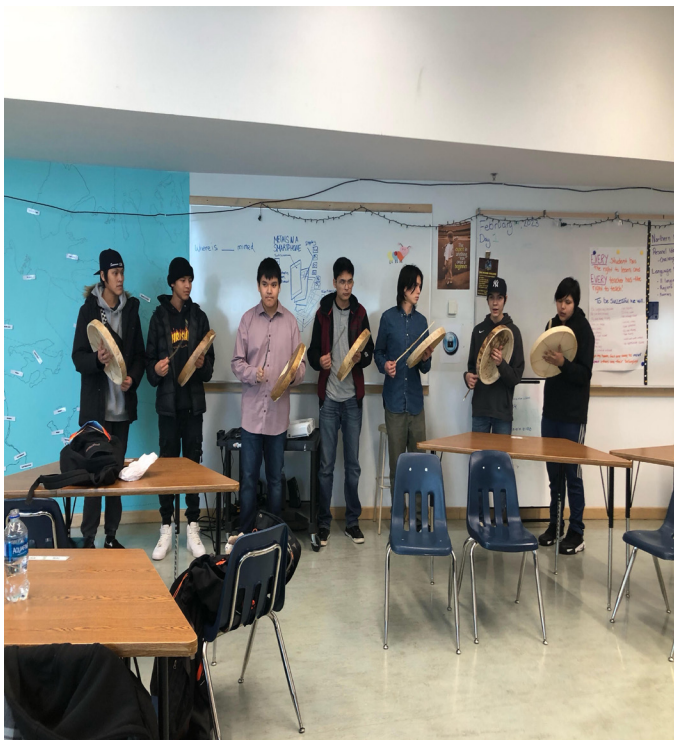
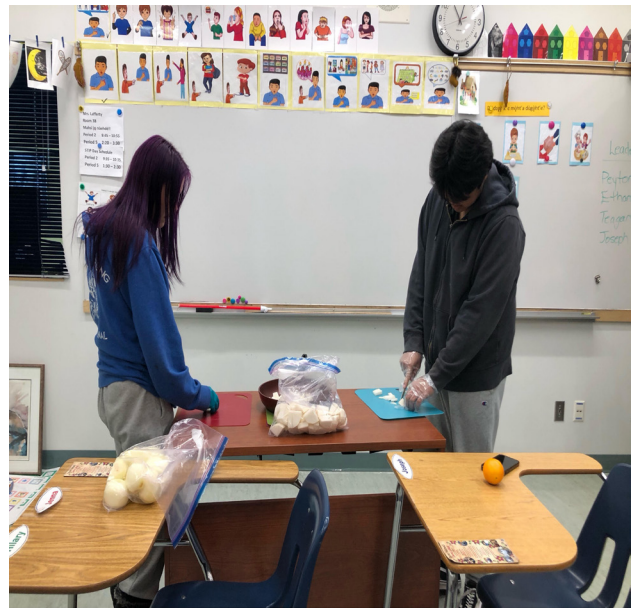
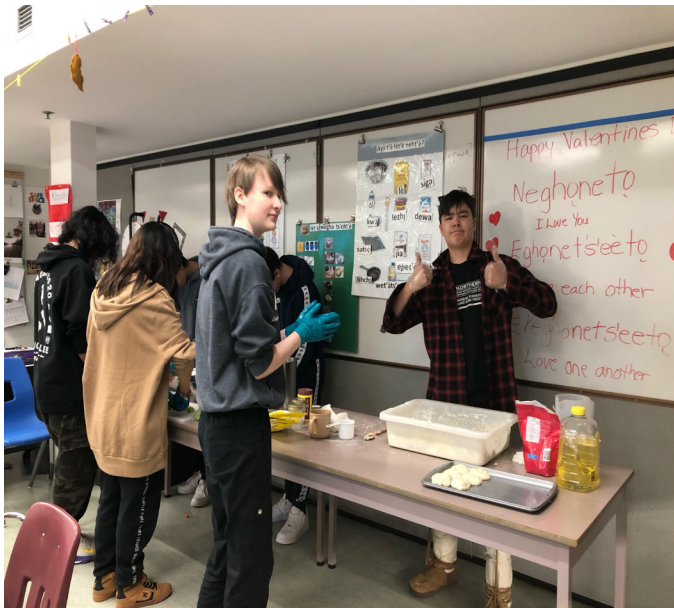
Danielle Kennedy-Blunt, Jenny Spa, Michelle- North of 60 Nails, Rebeccas Flowers, Vinnies Thrift Store, Canadian Tire, Shan- Blunt, Crystal Craig, and the many volunteers.





# Indigenous Languages Month

Students celebrated Indigenous Languages month by making a traditional lunch, drumming, making bannock, and more. Students were encouraged to use phrases in Weledeh during these activities.



Congratulations to the winner of the Indigenous Languages challenge- Marie-Luna Langlois!





# École Sir John Franklin High School Calendar 2023-2024

## GRADES 9-12

This handy reference tool places your child's school-year schedule at your fingertips, whether it's used at work or at home!



### August 2023

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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27	28	29	30	31		

### September 2023

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### October 2023

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29	30	31				

### November 2023

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Non-school Day No Classes for Students First Day of Classes Early Dismissal

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### December 2023

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### January 2024

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### February 2024

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### March 2024

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Non-school Day No Classes for Students Semester 2 Begins Early Dismissal

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### April 2024

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### May 2024

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### June 2024

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### July 2024

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Non-school Day No Classes for Students Last Day of Classes Early Dismissal

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## École Sir John Franklin High School Calendar 2023-2024

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## Yellowknife Education District No. 1 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR Grades 9-12 - SJF



		Staff			Students
<b>Opening:</b>		New Staff Orientation: August 21, 2023 First Staff Day: August 22, 2023 Staff PD: August 22-25, 2023			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Student Registration Day: August 21, 2023</li> <li>➤ First Student Day: August 28, 2023</li> </ul>
<b>Winter Break:</b>		December 20, 2023 to January 3, 2024 (inclusive)			
<b>Semester 2 Start:</b>		January 30, 2024			
<b>Spring Break:</b>		March 11, 2024 to March 22, 2024 (inclusive)			
<b>Last Day:</b>		June 24, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. (students) June 25, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. (staff)			
Semester 1	Sessional (Students)	Professional Development	STIP Days	P/S/T Days	Holidays
August	4.0	2.0	2.0		
September	20.0				Labour Day...4
October	19.0	1.0			TRC Day...2 Thanksgiving Day...9
November	19.0		1.0	1.0	Remembrance Day...11 (Observed 13)
December	13.0				Christmas Day...25 Boxing Day...26
January	18.0				New Year's Day...1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>93.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>Staff Days = 100.0</b>
Semester 2	Sessional (Students)	Professional Development	STIP Days	P/S/T Days	Holidays
January	2.0				
February	20.0	1.0			
March	9.0			1.0	Good Friday...29
April	20.0		1.0		Easter Monday...1
May	22.0				Victoria Day...20
June	15.0		1.0		Indigenous Day...21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>88.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>Staff Days = 92.0</b>

**Professional Development Full Days (3)**

All SJF students have no school on the following dates:

August 23 & 24, 2023	October 20, 2023	February 2, 2024
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**Strengthening Teacher Instructional Practices - Full Days (5)**

All SJF students have no school on the following dates:

August 22 & 25, 2023	November 1, 2023	April 4, 2024	June 25, 2024
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**Early Dismissal Days (31)**

All SJF students will be dismissed early on the following dates:

Aug 31	Sep 7, 14, 21, 28	Oct 5, 12, 19, 26	Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Dec 7, 14
Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Mar 7, 28	Apr 11, 18, 25	May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	

Note: SJF: Parent/Student/Teacher interview times: Semester 1: November 7 & 8, 2023  
Semester 2: April 17 & 18, 2024

SJF: No school in lieu of PST evenings: November 24, 2023; March 8, 2024

Semester 1: 93.0 days

Semester 2: 88.0 days

**Student Total: 181.0 days**

**Staff Total: 192.0 days**

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent of Education/ CEO

APPROVED – March 2023



# Career and Education Advisors

## DROP IN SESSION

Fill out applications for part-time jobs, post-secondary, scholarships, awards and Student Financial Assistance.

Write a résumé and cover letter.

Find experiences you can participate in while still in school, such as Schools North Apprenticeship Program (SNAP).

Drop in during these dates and times to ask questions or chat with a Career and Education Advisor (CEA):

**Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023**

**Time: 12:10pm- 4:00pm**

**Location: Health Haven Room**

**Sir John Franklin High School**

Hosted by: Shona Barbour, Career and Education Advisor

If you want to know more about the CEA program:

contact your Academic Advisor,  
or get in touch with us at: [cea@gov.nt.ca](mailto:cea@gov.nt.ca)





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# Class of 2023

SJF GRADUATION DATES

INDIGENOUS HONOR CEREMONY- JUNE 10TH

FORMAL- JUNE 26TH

ACADEMIC GRADUATION- JUNE 27TH

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Are you interested in joining the **Parent Advisory Committee?**

The PAC has met once since school started in September but it's not too late to join! Please email [mikipromislow@yahoo.com](mailto:mikipromislow@yahoo.com), [newtonmgrey@hotmail.com](mailto:newtonmgrey@hotmail.com), or [doreen.clery@yk1.nt.ca](mailto:doreen.clery@yk1.nt.ca) if you would like more information. To read minutes from previous meetings, visit our website at [www.sjf.yk1.nt.ca](http://www.sjf.yk1.nt.ca) and click the PAC button.





# Get involved at SJF!

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Indigenous Drumming  
Ms. Lafferty

Basketball  
Mr. Eastcott

Photography  
Volunteering  
Ms. Kidd

Indoor Soccer  
Coming soon!

Olympic Lifting  
Mr. Morozov

Green Team  
Ms. Robson

Debate Club  
Mr. Curran

Gender Sexuality  
Squad  
Ms. Wilson

MAGMA  
Mrs. Hurley

Volunteer Club  
Mr. Morozov

Band & Choir  
Ms. Shantora

Student Council  
Ms. Shantora

Grad Council  
Ms. Martin

Fitness Room  
Mr. Kilbride

See anything you like?

Check in with the teachers listed above to learn more!



# WANT MORE INFO?



## SCAN ME

# SCAN OUR QR CODE AND FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

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