

MAY 2022 NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message Mr. Dean MacInnis

The snow is melting and we only have two months left of school this year! We hope everyone is spending time outside enjoying the sunshine.

Parent Teacher Interviews were held a few weeks ago. If you were unable to meet with your child's teacher, please call the school at (867) 669-0773 to make arrangements to meet with them at a different time.

A grad parent meeting will be held on May 5th at 7pm. The meeting will be in-person with an option to join virtually.

Please see more details inside. The Grad Council have organized some fun events for grads. They recently got together to decorate eggs for Easter and for an evening of a nerf war in the school! It's wonderful to be able to gather again and celebrate together.

The Gradbook Committee is asking grads to please send their baby photo and a photo from middle school to sjfgradbook@yk1.nt.ca

SJF MAGMA is holding a "Music for Mental Health" concert on May 4th at NACC. See poster inside for more details. Tickets can be purchased on the NACC website or at the box office.

In celebration of Earth Week, the members of the SJF Green Team visited 35 elementary classrooms to discuss climate change and the need for meaningful climate action. The Green Team invited the young students to use their voices to ask our government leaders to protect our future by taking urgent climate action. Some members were even interviewed by CBC as part of their Earth Day coverage! See more inside.

The SJF Student Council has been busy! They recently held a Spring Carnival and an Ice Cream Eating Contest! May events include a chess tournament, spirit days and an event to learn how to make paper flowers in time for Mother's Day!

As you can tell, we have many exciting things happening at the school before we wrap up another school year!

IMPORTANT DATES

May 5

Grad 2022 Parent Meeting

May 7-8

YK Trade Show

May 8

Mother's Day

May 19

PAC Meeting

May 23

Victoria Day NO SCHOOL



STAY CONNECTED

SJF Online:

Website: www.sjf.yk1.nt.ca

Email: www.yk1.nt.ca/sjf

Facebook & YouTube:

(Sir John Franklin High School)

Twitter (@sjf_school)

Instagram (sirjohnfalcons)



Academic Achievement at École Sir John Franklin High School

1. Minister's Awards

Minister's Medals (Northwest Territories) are awarded for academic achievement in **Grade 12 Diploma Examinations**. For each Diploma examination subject, a Medal will be awarded to the student who receives the highest Diploma examination mark among all NWT students in that school year for each subject with a **minimum mark of 80%**. The Minister's Medals are mailed directly to the recipients after Student Records receives the final marks from the August Diploma examination-writing period and are confirmed by each school district. Winners will be recognized with a medal and certificate from the Minister of Education.

- Exam Writing Period:

- November
- January
- April
- June
- August

2. Governor-General's Medal

The Governor General's Academic Medals have recognized the outstanding scholastic achievements of students in Canada. They are awarded to the student graduating with the highest average from a high school. The average includes all grade 11 and grade 12 courses listed on the student's official transcript.

3. School Certificates

- **Honour Roll:** Students on the *Honour Roll* have achieved an 80% or higher course average – a minimum of five courses over a school year. This average is calculated on a per credit basis. Students must have passing marks for all courses taken to be eligible.
- **Principal's List:** Students on the *Principal's List* have achieved a 90% or higher course average – a minimum of five courses over a school year. This average is calculated on a per credit basis. Students must have passing marks for all courses taken to be eligible.

4. Department Awards

These award winners are selected by each department and the teachers of each course. The top students in each course will receive a certificate of achievement.

- English
 - ELA9
 - Literacy 10, ELA 10-2 & 10-1
 - ELA 20-2 & 20-1
 - ELA 30-2 & 30-1
 - SJF Humanities Award (ELA 30 & SS 30)

- Social Studies and Northern Studies
 - ILC9, 15, 25, & 35
 - Northern Studies 10
 - SS9
 - SS 10-1 & 10-2
 - SS 20-1 & 20-2
 - SS 30-1 & 30-2

- Mathematics
 - Math9
 - DOT & Public Works Math/Science Award 9
 - Math 10C, Workplace & Apprenticeship 10
 - Pre-Calculus 20, Foundations 20, Workplace & Apprenticeship 20
 - Pre-Calculus 30, Foundations 30, Workplace & Apprenticeship 30
 - Math Scholarship

- Science
 - Science 9, 10,
 - Experiential Science 10, 20, 30
 - Biology 20 & 30
 - Chemistry 20 & 30
 - Physics 20 & 30
 - Stantec Award – Top Physics 20 – 30 Student

- French
 - FLA9, 10, 20, & 30
 - Core French 9, 10, 20, & 30
 - PIF 9, 15, 25, 31
 - Grand Prix d’Immersion

- Physical Education
 - PE 9, 10, 20, 30
 - Sports School
 - Volleyball Academy
 - Basketball Academy
 - Fitness
 - Athletes of the Year (Grade 9 – 12)
 - Spirit Awards
 - Lanky Muyres Award

- Fine Arts
 - Music 9, 10, 20, & 30
 - Art 9, 10, 20, & 30
 - Drama 9, 10, 20, & 30
 - NACC Fine Arts Scholarship

- Career & Technology Studies
 - Culinary Arts (Foods)
 - Woods
 - Technology
 - Cosmetology
 - Mechanics
 - Fabrication
 - Electronics
 - Small engines
 - Aviation

Grade 9 students visit the museum!

On April 26th, students from Ms. Powless' Post-Intensive French 9 class went to the museum. They saw a presentation in French about the way of life in the past and they did an activity in the galleries.





Mme Sonia's Grade 9 students practice their math skills outside!





Doreen Cleary visits Northern Studies students!

Thank you, Doreen Cleary, for sharing her presentation on her residential school experience.

Left pic: Northern Studies students listening and taking notes

Bottom left pic: Kali Bonnetrouge-Dowbush presenting tobacco before the presentation

Bottom right: Vy Hong presenting bread to Doreen Cleary



Q & A with Canadian Private Astronaut Mark Pathy on the ISS during the AX-1 Mission – April 2022

Gwen Young, Science Department Head

Students from Sir John were selected to join other schools from across Canada, to have a Q&A Session with a private astronaut on the International Space Station live over video.

On Thursday, April 14, Biology 20 and Physics 30 students were able to interact and ask questions of Astronaut Mark Pathy, who is a private business man, investor, philanthropist and mission specialist on the first-ever entirely private mission - the Space X – **AX-1 Mission** to the ISS.

During the Q & A Session, students asked Mark questions about his training, reasons for being a part of the mission, views on space exploration and experiments he was participating in. Students were able to see Mark live in the ISS and talk directly to him. Everyone involved were surprised by how comfortable it was to video chat with someone in Space. It felt like Mark was standing (floating) right in the classroom with everyone.

Planning for this event began in October and a special “Thank You” goes out to Mr. Mac Innis, Mr. Kirkham, Mr. Morozov and Ms. Young for making it happen.

Pictures show students asking questions and Mark Pathy in the International Space Station.

Link to AX-1 Mission:



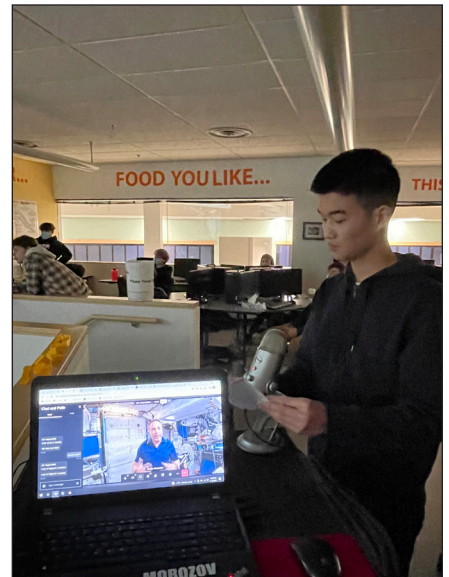
SJF students have a Q&A with private astronaut!

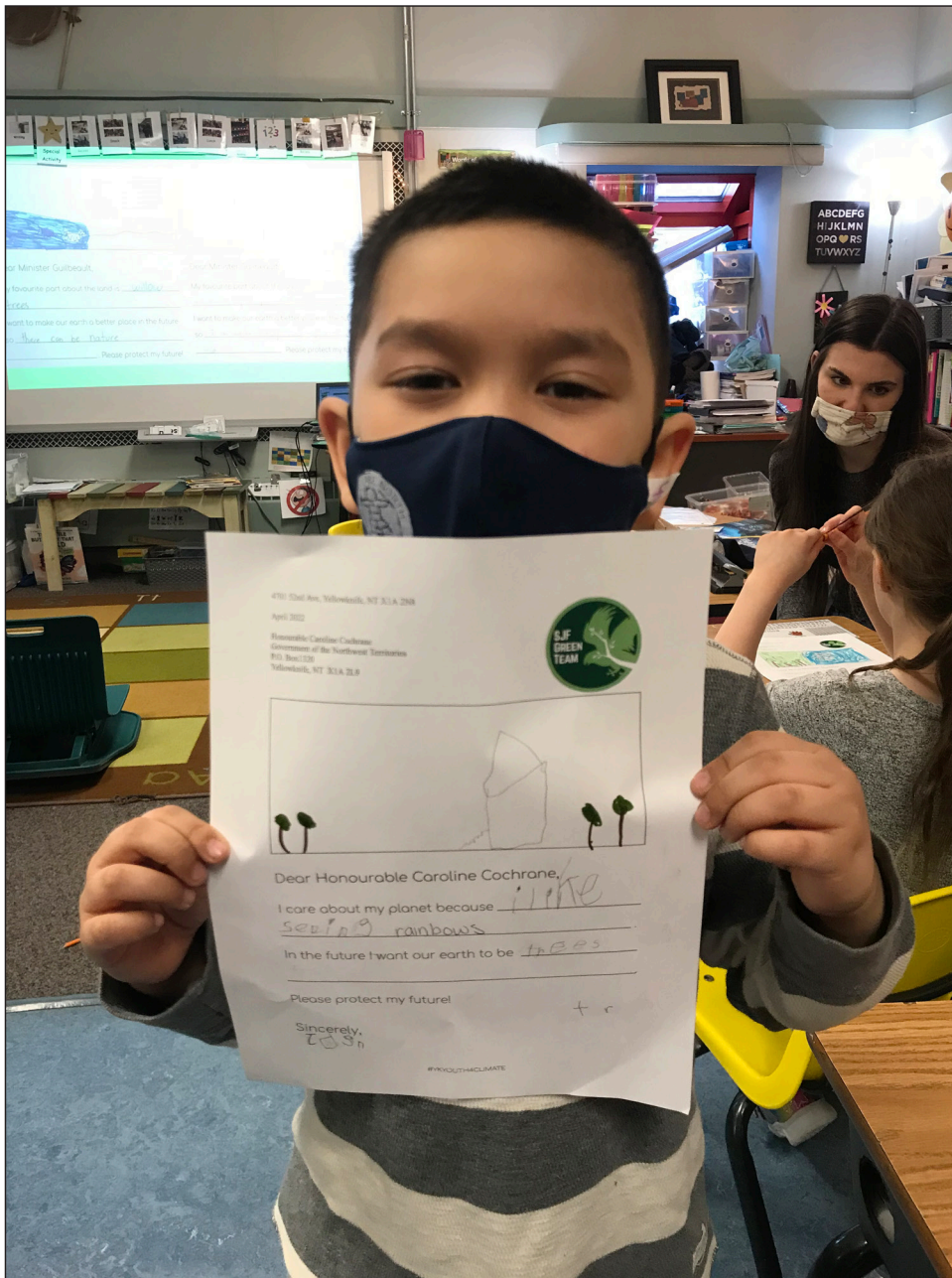
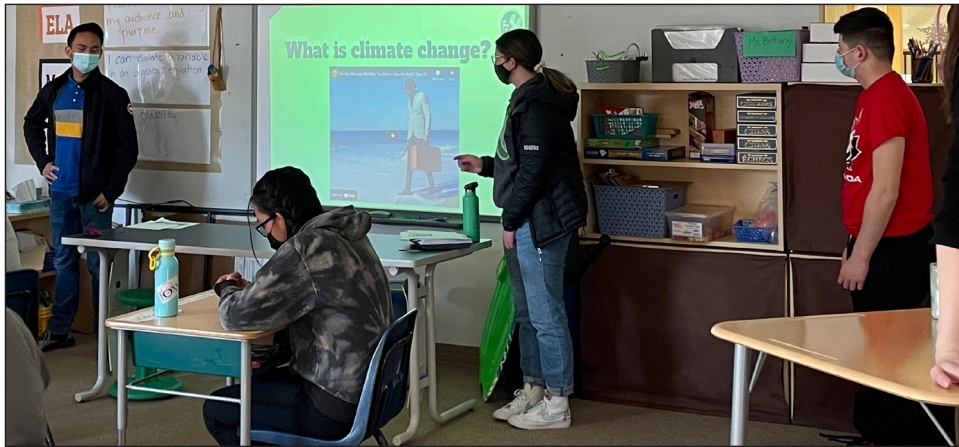
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SJF Green Team brings message to elementary schools!

During Earth Week, the SJF Green Team was out at the elementary schools making presentations about climate change and the need for meaningful climate action. We presented to more than 35 classes and invited the students to use their voices to ask our government leaders to protect our future by taking urgent climate action. Students from grades 1-8 wrote letters to leaders at the federal, territorial and municipal levels.

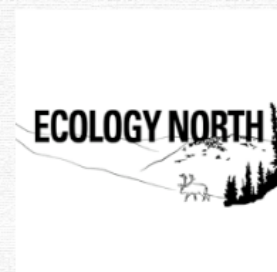
The Green Team is also fundraising for Ecology North, our local environmental NGO. This year, we are matching all donations made through our Canada Helps page (up to \$1000).

#YKYOUTH4CLIMATE IS BACK & BETTER THAN EVER!

**SJF Green Team is having
another fundraiser this
year for Ecology North &
this time we're matching
donations up to \$1000!**



SCAN THE QR CODE TO DONATE TODAY!



Sometimes the best way to help is
to make people feel seen and heard.


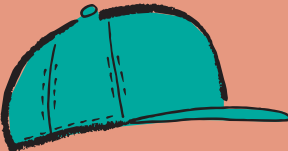


That's why this year's #MentalHealthWeek is all about empathy.

Learn how you can #GetReal about how to help at
www.mentalhealthweek.ca



Mental Health Week

brought to you by SJF MAGMA!

<i>Monday</i> May 2nd	<i>Tuesday</i> May 3rd	<i>Wednesday</i> May 4th	<i>Thursday</i> May 5th	<i>Friday</i> May 6th
<p>Mental Health Quiz for prizes!</p> <p>Complete the quiz using the QR code below! Each completed quiz will be entered to win a Mental Health Self-Care Basket!</p> 	<p>Hat's on for Mental Health!</p> <p>Wear a Hat to show your support for Mental Health!</p> <p>Post a picture to social media and tag @sjfmagma for a chance to win prizes!</p> 	<p>Music for Mental Health Night!</p> <p>Purchase a ticket through NACC and join us at 7:00pm!</p> <p>Also, the Mental Health Poster Design Contest Winner will be announced tonight!</p> 	<p>Butterfly Campaign!</p> <p>Join us in the foyer at lunch to make butterflies and create positive messages to be shared with others!</p> 	<p>Hot Chocolate!</p> <p>Join MAGMA in the foyer at lunch for FREE hot chocolate!</p> 

Sometimes the best way to help is to make people feel seen and heard. That's why this year's #MentalHealthWeek is all about empathy. Learn how you can #GetReal about how to help at www.mentalhealthweek.ca

GRAD 2022 IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER.

SJF will be hosting a Grad 2022 Parent Meeting on Thursday, May 5th at 7pm in our gymnasium. We will have a short presentation about what the graduation ceremonies will look like this year, along with answering questions. Please see attached agenda for the evening. We will also have people from Student Financial Assistance, the Yellowknife Community Foundation, and several Career Educational Advisors from ECE present to answer any questions you may have.

In order to control the number of individuals attending this meeting we ask that only one parent and the grad from each family be present. If you have any questions please email me at sjf@yk1.nt.ca

If you are unable to attend our grad 2022 parent meeting you can join us virtually on Zoom. See the link below. Thursday, May 5th 7pm - 8pm

Dean MacInnis is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SJF Grad 2022 Parent Meeting

Time: May 5, 2022 07:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77140668856?pwd=Y5oWVl9fWpK5x42GU-52ZDm7nFGL5C.1>

Meeting ID: 771 4066 8856

Passcode: T8pv9Y

June 2022

Diploma exams **must** be administered in accordance with the scheduled dates and times.

All diploma exams must remain SECURED before and during the administration.

All diploma exams except those that are asterisked (*) must remain SECURED after the administration and returned to Alberta Education.

Monday, June 13	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	English Language Arts 30–1 Part A* English Language Arts 30–2 Part A*
Tuesday, June 14	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. 9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M.	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) A* Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) A*
Wednesday, June 15	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Français 30–1 Partie A French Language Arts 30–1 Partie A*
Thursday, June 16	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Français 30–1 Partie B French Language Arts 30–1 Part B
Friday, June 17	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Mathematics 30–1 Mathematics 30–2
Monday, June 20	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	English Language Arts 30–1 Part B English Language Arts 30–2 Part B
Wednesday, June 22	9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M.	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) B Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) B
Thursday, June 23	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Biology 30
Friday, June 24	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Chemistry 30
Monday, June 27	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Physics 30



Dress Like
a Teacher Day

**Who wore
IT BETTER?**



Need a
computer?

We received many refurbished Windows computers available for students who need a computer.

They are available in the PST office or contact one of the PSTs
angela.martin@yk1.nt.ca,
denise.hurley@yk1.nt.ca,
sharon.oldford@yk1.nt.ca

**MAY THE 4TH
BE WITH YOU!**



**SETH AND THE
STORMTROOPER!**

Modern Macbeth!

Ms. Robson's ELA 20-1 class had a blast making their Modern Macbeth videos. Students were challenged to re-enact a section of the Shakespearean play and bring it to life in a contemporary setting. This involved a lot of beards, a lot of fake blood, and a lot of laughter. Oh, and some excellent assignments, too!

