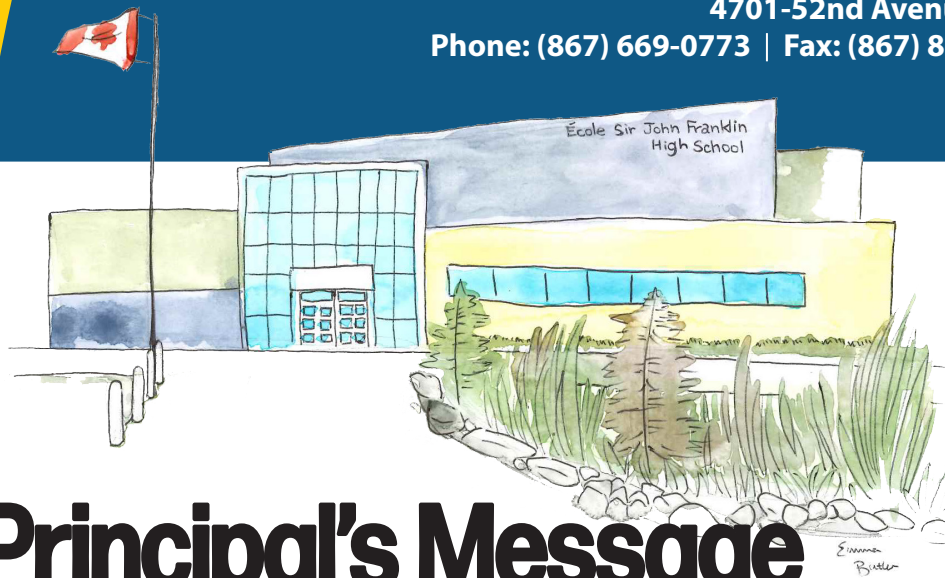


# APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER

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## Principal's Message

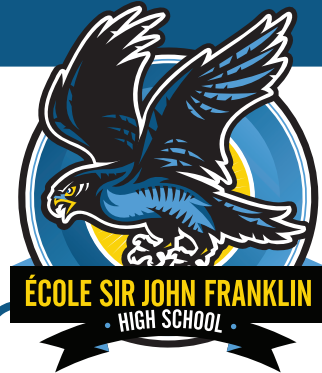
Mr. Dean MacInnis

We are mid-way through second semester and teachers have been busy working on report cards. Reports cards were sent out on April 12th and parent-teacher interviews will be held on April 14th and 15th from 4-7pm. Instructions on how to book appointments can be found on our website. If you are unable to book an appointment with your child's teacher, please call the school at (867) 669-0773 to make arrangements to meet with them at a different time.

SJF MAGMA is holding a "Coffeehouse" night on April 29th at NACC. See poster inside for more details. Only 50 tickets are available. The performances will be recorded and the video will be posted on our YouTube channel. We will share the link to this video once it's been posted.

Our next Parent Advisory Committee will be held on April 22nd at 7:00pm. Please contact PAC Chairperson David Wasylciw via [david@wasylciw.com](mailto:david@wasylciw.com) if you would like to attend. To see minutes from PAC Minutes please visit our website at [www.sjf.nt.ca](http://www.sjf.nt.ca) and click on the Parent Advisory (PAC) button on the right-hand side.

If you have any questions about your child's school, please don't hesitate to contact us at 867-669-0773.



## IMPORTANT DATES

**April 12**  
Report Card Day

**April 14-15**  
Parent Teacher Interviews  
4:00-7:00pm

**April 22**  
PAC Meeting  
7:00pm

**April 29**  
SJF MAGMA presents  
"Coffeehouse" at NACC  
7:00pm

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

FOR MORE DETAILS SEE  
CALENDAR ON LAST PAGE.



# Aboriginal Sports Circle Visits SJF

Thank you to Aurora & Byron Kotokak from Aboriginal Sports Circle for visiting SJF and demonstrating traditional sports to our students!



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Music for Mental Health

# Coffeehouse

brought to you by SJF Magma!

**Thursday, April 29th  
at 7:00pm at NACC**

If you are interested in performing,  
please see Mr. Kilbride before April 25th!

Instagram: @sjfmagma Facebook: SJF MAGMA Jack Chapter  
Visit [Jack.org](http://Jack.org) to access a hub of mental health resources!



**Important Queer Dates in March and April brought to you by the Gender & Sexuality Squad**



Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> marks **International Transgender Day of Visibility**. This day is dedicated to celebrating transgender people, their contributions to society and raising awareness of discrimination faced by transgender people worldwide. March 31 is set aside separately from the Transgender Day of Remembrance in November to acknowledge and celebrate living members of the transgender community.

In 2002, the Northwest Territories became the first jurisdiction in Canada to explicitly add “gender identity” to its human rights legislation as a prohibited ground of discrimination.



**International Day of Pink** falls on April 14, 2021. UNITED WE STAND A CHANCE. Discrimination takes many shapes, whether it’s based on race, age, disabilities, gender or sexuality. The 2SLGBTQIA+ community is no stranger to the bullying and violence that stems from hateful beliefs. While progress has been made towards removing these social barriers from our society, discrimination still persists. So, every year, on the second Wednesday of April, we urge people around the world to put on a pink shirt and stand in solidarity with the 2SLGBTQIA+ community to continue fighting for equality and acceptance.



LOVE OVER HATE. Whether it’s in Canada or beyond, we need to stand up against hateful beliefs to keep the clock from turning backwards on our efforts towards establishing equality for the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. International Day of Pink has one purpose, to create a more inclusive and diverse world. We do this by encouraging young people to challenge social norms, and stand up against bullying towards their 2SLGBTQIA+ peers.

Sources: [queerevents.ca](http://queerevents.ca), [dayofpink.org](http://dayofpink.org)

# YK1 Student of the Week



**Seth Harker- Grade 12**  
Seth is the perfect example of one of our amazing Sir John students. He is kind, responsible, open-minded, a thinker and a team player. Congratulations Seth!



**Pictured above:** SJF students using the computers that DeBeers recently donated to the school. Thank you DeBeers!



# March Madness... but with poetry!



Ms. McLeod's ELA 9 started their poetry unit with a March Madness poetry tournament. The students built community and camaraderie through daily voting and the competitive aspect of the game! We are hoping to eliminate the belief that poetry is difficult or inaccessible for teenagers.

And the winner is...

***Complainers* by Rudy Francisco.**

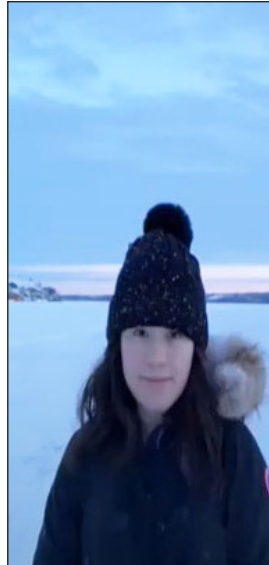
To listen to the winning poem, please scan QR code below.



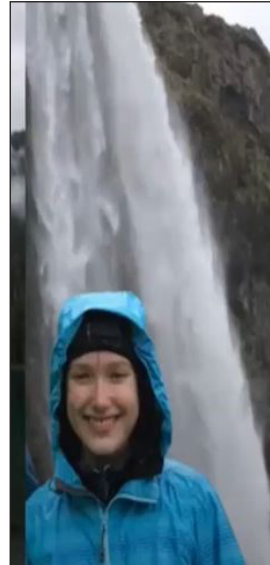
# Green Team News

The SJF Green Team participated in a Virtual Northern Youth forum on Climate Change in February and March. Learning for a Sustainable Future, the organizers of the forum, were so impressed with our team and the actions we've taken that they asked if we would present the keynote speech at the start of their National forum. Kaatje Fulford, Teresa Martin, and Pretty Ngo, three of our members, put together a presentation outlining the formation of the team and the types of projects that have been done by our team. The members did an amazing job! Scan the QR Code below to watch. Our team's part starts around 8:20.

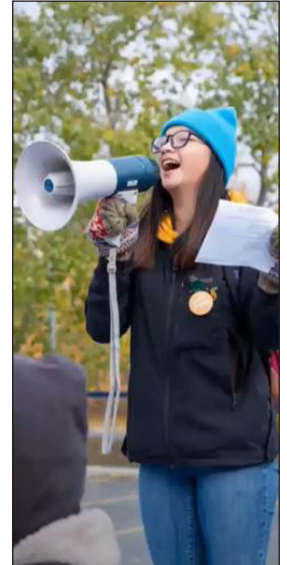
We are very proud of them for taking this on and sharing with others across the country what we have done up in Yellowknife. Feel free to share widely!



Teresa Martin



Kaatje Fulford



Pretty Ngo



## YK1 Staff Spotlight

### BEATON MACKENZIE

Few members of the YK1 staff have had the longevity of Beaton Mackenzie. He began his career in the north back in the 1980s working with students at Sir John Franklin Territorial High School who were living at Akaitcho Hall. In the over 40 years since, he has taught physical education at a variety of YK1 schools, including Mildred Hall, NJ Macpherson, William McDonald and JH Sissons. For the last fifteen years, he has been a member of the student services team at Sir John Franklin High School, providing critical support for special needs students. Often working in one-on-one situations, Beaton is known for imparting very practical work and social skills to his students. He draws on his experiences as a father and as a 40-year education veteran to build student relationships based on mutual respect, optimism and a healthy dose of straight talk.

After a career that has spanned parts of five different decades, Beaton has decided that 2020/2021 will be his final year. We wish him the best in his retirement.

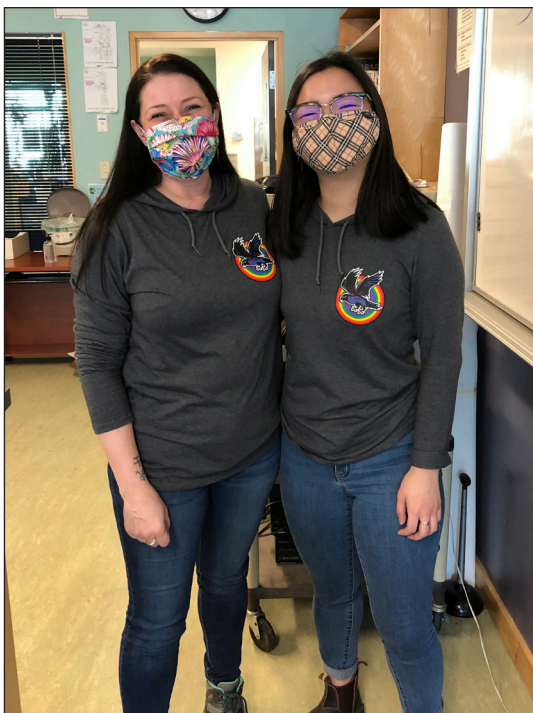


# Dress Like a Teacher Day

Students had fun dressing up like their teachers just before March Break!

What's that line? Immitation is a form of flattery???

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## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR A BRILLIANT CAREER

Women entering year 1 of a Canadian university program in science, technology, engineering or math (STEM), or a related field, are encouraged to apply for a scholarship from De Beers Group.

Special preference to Indigenous women and women who live in the NWT, Nunavut and Northern Ontario.



**APPLICATION  
DEADLINE  
JUNE 1, 2021**

TO APPLY: [debeersgroup.scholarshipscanada.com](https://debeersgroup.scholarshipscanada.com)



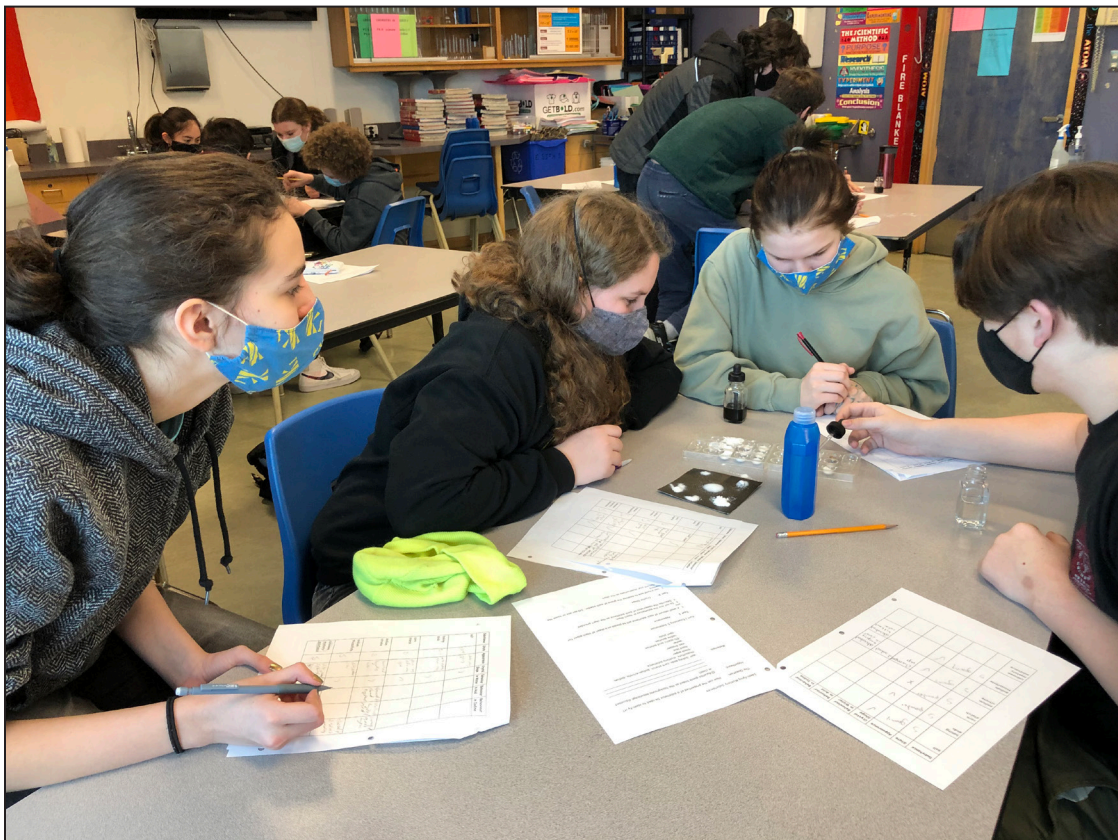
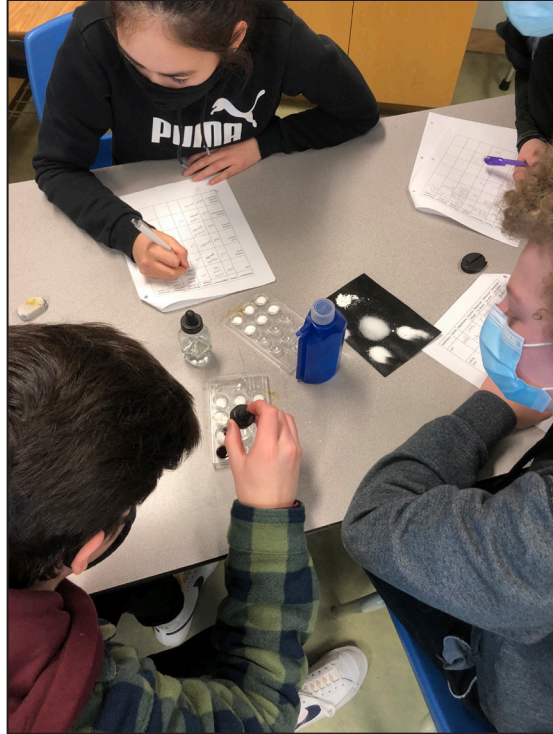
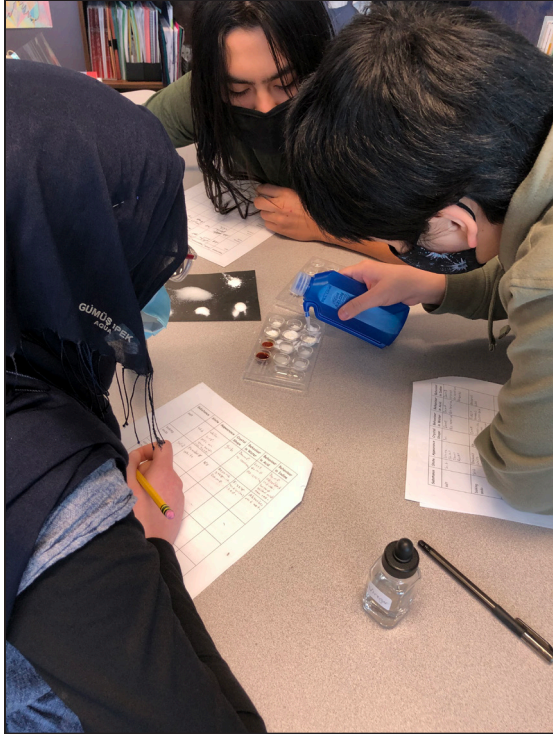
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# Science 9 is experimenting with chemical and physical properties!

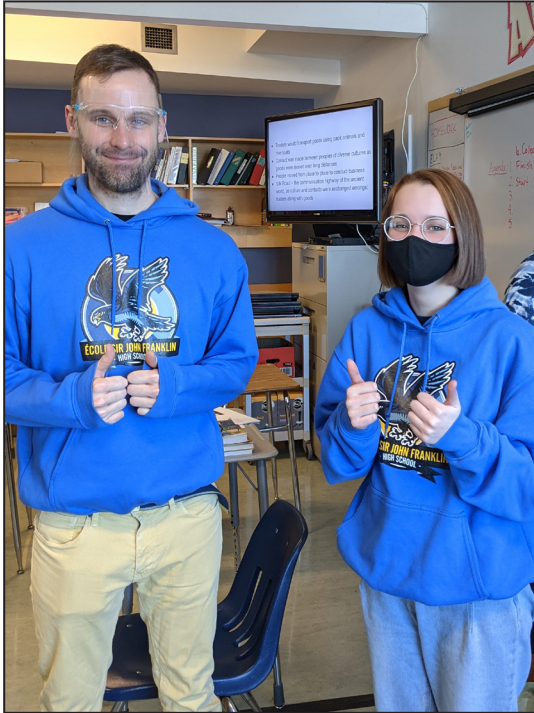


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# More 'Dress Like a Teacher' Pics!



Hannah Inman with Principal Dean MacInnis, accepting her Minister's Award for receiving the highest mark on her Mathematics 30-2 diploma exam for the 2019-2020 school year. **Congratulations Hannah!**

## Have you checked out the first episode of Sir John's latest podcast?

SJF FalconCast, co-hosted by Adib Ashraf and Mr. K.

You can find this episode on Spotify ...

<https://open.spotify.com/show/55iyYaPilZ3wrpVflcdJQ7?si=CWjmCgJvSiW2uoLOWMDSjQ&nd=1>





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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25	26	27	28	29	30	
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