

## LET'S GO!

### FEBRUARY NEWS



#### International Women's Day

International Woman's Day is recognized every year on March 8th. It is a day to honor woman's rights, as well as a time to remember woman who have done important things in the past and are still doing important things today.

International Woman's Day is important to many people and women, as this day is important for feminism. In many places, woman do not have as many privileges or as much power as men. Men are in charge of many large and important businesses and companies.



**Congratulations to our Team Canada Athletes who brought home an impressive 21 medals. We can't wait to cheer on our Paralympic athletes. Comic by Beatrix**

This is why girls often grow up believing that they cannot make a difference in the world. International Woman's Day is important to help woman and girls feel like they can make a difference.

I want to tell you about two important Canadian women.

Nellie McClung was a prominent Canadian suffragist, politician, and an author, born on October 20, 1873, in Chatsworth, Ontario who grew up in Manitoba. She supported Women's rights for voting in 1916 and joined the Political Equality League (PEL) in 1912.

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## FROM THE STUDENTS

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Nellie McClung was also part of the Famous Five including Emily Murphy, a judge, Henrietta Edwards, Luise McKinney and Irene Parlby. Together, the five of them worked it out and were in various campaigns for women's rights and even went to the Supreme court of Canada in 1927. In 1916 Manitoba was the first province to allow women to vote in elections, and in 1918 all women's rights over Canada was settled. Nellie McClung died on September first, 1951.

Emily Stowe was born May 1, 1831, in Norwich Township, Ontario. When she was 15, she worked as a teacher at a school in Summerville, Ontario. Stowe taught there for seven years. In 1852 Emily Stowe applied at Victoria College Ontario, she was not permitted because she was a female. Then applied at another school in upper Canada Toronto. Emily Stowe graduated in 1854 and got first-class honours. After graduation, she accepted a job with the Brantford school board and

soon became the first female principal of a public school in Ontario. In 1856 Emily Stowe married John Stowe and had three kids. John Stowe then became sick with tuberculosis, so Emily Stowe started to study herbal medicines. Stowe joined a women's medical college in New York and graduated in 1867. In 1880 she got her medical license to become the first female physician in Canada. Emily Stowe died on April 30, 1903, and her husband, John Stowe died on December 17, 1981.

Both of these women worked to break down barriers for women in Canada.

### Climate Change

Human actions are affecting the world. Global warming is caused by human activities that increase greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, trapping heat, and raising Earth's surface temperature. Fossil Fuels are one of the biggest contributors to greenhouse gases that cause climate change.

When fossil fuels burn, it increases sea levels which can lead to consequences such as flooding. The burning of fossil fuels is also causing the polar ice caps to melt. This is affecting the survival rates of polar bears. Something else happening is that climate change is causing long-term changes in weather patterns and temperature changes. Long-term climate change is making Canada warm at more than double the rate of the rest of the world. The North is warming at almost four times that rate. The changes in weather patterns are causing more frequent, intense, and expensive extreme weather events, including wildfires, floods, droughts, and heatwaves.

Wednesday April 22nd is Earth Day. Start thinking now about what you could do to show up for Earth that day. What are things that you could do every day to help save our planet?

**Q** Why don't glaciers ever gossip?

**A** Because they don't want to start an avalanche!

## CLUBS, ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION

### Jokes

I only know 25 of the 26 letters in the alphabet.  
I don't know Y.

Why can't your nose be 12 inches long?  
Because then it would be a foot.

**Q:** Why did the math book look sad?

**A:** Because it had too many problems.

### Minecraft Club

Our team is in an intense race against time to get all the little details done before the March 6th deadline. Make sure you to the learn71.ca page to get tips on recording, and to double check that you've included everything you need from the rubric!

### Chess Club

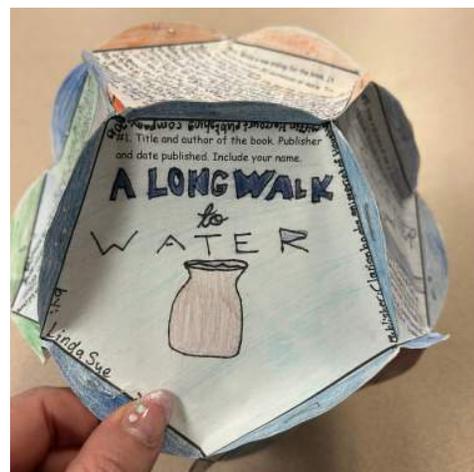
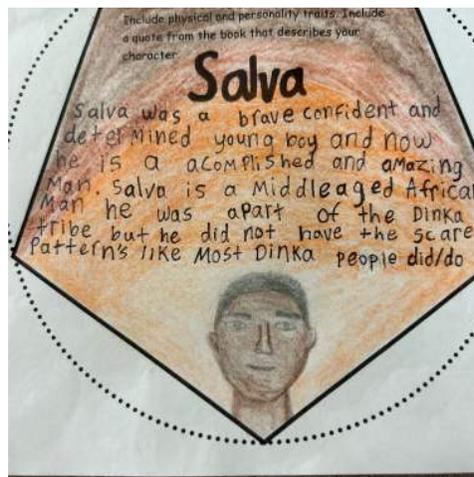
Chess club will end with the start of Spring Break.

### Basketball

The Grade 7 boys are on their way to their tournament, with Mr. Douglas as their coach, as we speak. We wish them luck.

### Ms. Murphy's Class

Ms. Murphys' class is working on a bloom ball novel study. The novel they are reading is "A Long Walk to Water". They are still at the beginning of the project. Part of the project is that they must write a different ending for the novel, research the author, do a reflection on the novel, and write a summary of the novel.



### Ms. Cooper's Variety Show

On Tuesday March 10th, the Variety Show will be happening in the gym at 10:30 am. Only the families of the children who are participating in the show may come to watch and cheer on their kids.

### Journalism Club

Journalism club happens every other week on Thursday for grades 5-7. We put together mini newspapers like this every month.

We meet twice a month. During the 1st meeting of the month, we start by choosing what we are going to talk about, and work on research, on the second one we need to edit and finish putting it together.

### Reading Links Challenge

Our team will be participating in the round one practice challenge on March 6th, ahead of the district challenge, being held at Aspen the afternoon of March 19th. For more information refer to previous articles.



Contact Ms. Mathew if you have something you would like to see included in the newspaper