May 21, 2025

## **Saint Mary’s Elementary School SAC**

## **Principal’s Report**

### **Staffing Update**

* Emily Johnson, accepted acting Principal position for 2025-26
* Caitlin Singleton is expecting a baby in August and will be on maternity leave next year, has accepted a position at a school closer to home.
* Kate Macleod accepted a position at another school
* Two 100% teachers and one 50% teacher TBD

### **Current Enrollment: 148**

### **Projected Enrollment for 2025–26 School Year: 140**

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| **Grade** | **Teacher** |
| Primary | Ms. Zelios/TBD |
| 1/2 | Ms. Corbin-Riley |
| 2/3 | Ms. Kilby |
| 3/4 | TBD |
| 4/5 | TBD |
| 6 | Ms Cordoba Fields |

## **School Success Plan Update**

### **Classroom-Based Assessment Data from March**

**P–3 Literacy:**

* 56% meeting expectations (34/53 students)
* 50% of students of African Descent meeting expectations (2/4)

**Grades 4–6 Literacy:**

* Approximately 60% meeting expectations
* 100% of students of African Descent meeting expectations (5/5)

The school team met today to review the most recent assessment data and plan next steps, including small group and one-on-one interventions for students not yet meeting expectations.

**Math Coach:**

Emily MacLennan wraps up her time at SME this week. She:

* Worked daily with Grades 3–6 on developing fact fluency and gathering assessment data to guide next steps
* Created hands-on tools and resources for all classrooms to support math learning

**Grade 3 Literacy and Math Assessment** will take place May 12–27. This has been going well so far. Results will come in the fall.

## **Grants & Funding**

Youth Engagement Officer Scott Dillman is set to work with Grades 5 & 6 to develop a well-being project funded by the Health Promoting Schools Grant. The plan is to do a school-wide event or project to promote community and belonging. Each group will be responsible for $1500 Grant to put toward realizing their project.

## **Life at Saint Mary’s**

• **Pier 21 trips took place on May 2, 7, and 9.** Students, especially the older ones, had a great time and learning a lot! Thanks to parents who joined us.

• **Chess Club wrapped up this month.** Students participated in a provincial tournament. We hope to continue the club next year, even as our current parent volunteer and student leader move on to Grade 7! Our Grade 6 teams came in 4th out of 24 teams ☺

• **Grade 6 transition planning for Gorsebrook:**

* The transition meeting has been completed.
* Gorsebrook students and teachers visited SME on May 1, Students went to Gorsebrook on May 8.
* The Virtual Parent Orientation took place on May 8.

• **Run Club** wrapped up last week. **Track & Field** tryouts and selection are done. Track meets are June 2 and 3.

• **SuperNova Science** visited all classes on May 16.

• **Author Camilla Thompson** visited upper grades yesterday, May 20 ☺

## **SAC Update & Planning**

* Annual Survey to be completed by June 16, 2025.
* 2 Vacancies:
  + Community Member: I have reached out to our Excel Program Leader, Joseph, and will contact Spencer House and South End Daycare as well. Any other ideas?
  + Support Staff: Could include EPA, Admin Assistant, or Lunch Monitor.
* SAC Chair Nomination for 2025–26 School Year