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Monthly
Newsletter for
Lucky Lake School

The Lucky Lake A-List

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Sean: Class of 2026

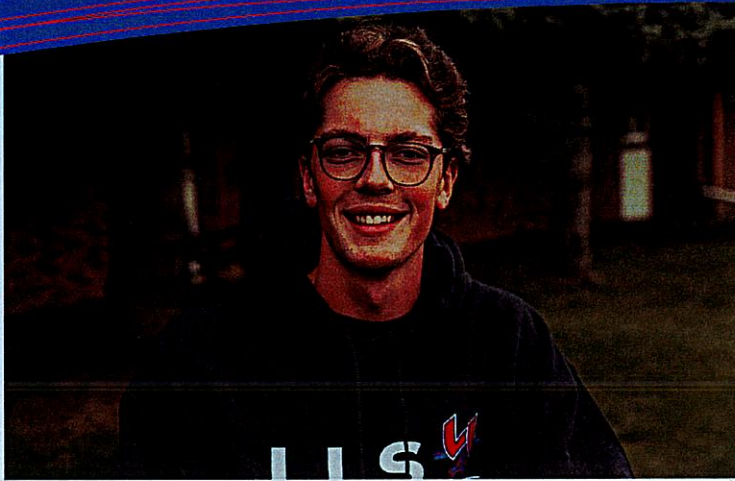
This month, we catch up with Sean, a student whose kindness and dedication have made a lasting impression on staff and peers alike.

When looking back at his time here, Sean notes that the relationships he built are what he treasures most. "I am proud that all the teachers and students like me," he shares, reflecting a reputation for being a calming and steady presence in our school community. Several key mentors helped shape Sean's goals for the future. He credits **Mr. Bourassa's** coaching and teaching as a major influence on his development, while **Ms. Heslip's** classes sparked a specific career ambition. Inspired by his time in her classroom, Sean plans to pursue post-secondary education to become a **Math and Physics teacher**—with the ultimate goal of returning to teach right here at Lucky Lake.

Beyond the classroom, Sean found joy in hands-on collaboration, citing the experience of building a Titanic model with **Mr. Smith** and his classmates as a memory he will always carry with him. His involvement in extracurriculars also provided a training ground for the "real world," teaching him the essential values of leadership and patience.

As he prepares for his next chapter, Sean offers some simple but powerful advice for the underclassmen following in his footsteps: "**Enjoy it and be kind to all the staff.**"

Congratulations, Sean!



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Principal's Corner: March Math Madness is Here!

March has arrived, and at Lucky Lake School that means one thing — **March Math Madness!** Throughout the month, our classrooms will be embracing the fun and challenge of mathematics through problem solving, games, and friendly competition. Math is such an important part of learning, but it is also something that can spark curiosity, creativity, and perseverance. March Math Madness is a great opportunity for students to see math in a new way and build confidence as they tackle new challenges.

We continue to be so proud of the positive energy in our school. From classrooms full of learning to extracurricular activities that bring students together, Lucky Lake School is a place where students are encouraged to try new things, support one another, and take pride in their growth. Check out the dates for upcoming badminton games at our school and others in the March calendar.

Looking back, February was filled with wonderful opportunities for students to engage, learn, and celebrate reading. Our **I Love to Read Month** was a great success thanks to the enthusiasm of our staff and students, as well as the many mystery readers who took time to visit classrooms and share their love of books. A highlight of the month was our Battle of the Books, where students demonstrated not only their reading skills but also their teamwork and enthusiasm for literature. Be sure to ask your students which book they voted for!

As always, thank you to our staff for the creativity and enthusiasm they bring to our school each day, and to our families for your continued support. Working together, we help create a school community where students feel encouraged to explore, learn, and succeed. Wishing everyone a wonderful month ahead.

Warm Regards,
Jennifer Young, Principal

Telemiracle 2026

Tell me you're from Saskatchewan without telling me you're from Saskatchewan.

I'll go first: "Hey! Did you watch this year's record-breaking total on Telemiracle? Absolutely incredible!"

Your turn...

Lucky Lake School participated in another successful Skate-a-Thon event on February 27, raising a total of (drumroll please) \$710.00!

Way to go, Lucky Lake!

Sask DLC 2026-27 New Student Registration Date and High School Course Catalogue

A reminder that Saskatchewan Distance Learning Centre (Sask DLC) new student registration and high school course selection for the 2026-27 school year will open on **Monday, March 2**.

Ms. Inverarity will be connecting with our current students to explore opportunities for next year.

A Transition to Earning Credits Meeting will be planned for the Spring.

If you have any questions about high school courses or registering for the 2026-27 school year, please contact the school.



Academics



Celebrating our student's academic achievements!

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

- Maya Angelou

Neurons, Nickels, and Nobel Efforts

In Financial Literacy 10, senior students have been focusing on the budgeting unit. They learned practical strategies for planning and managing money, explored how to set priorities and track spending, and discussed common marketing tactics businesses use to influence consumer decisions. Students applied these ideas through a "Budgeting with Roommates" project, which simulated life after high school. Working in groups, they examined rent, utilities, internet, parking, and other shared expenses, negotiated fair ways to divide costs, and considered the importance of deadlines and late fees. They then created a roommate agreement and a monthly budget plan based on their decisions. This project helped students build confidence in financial planning while strengthening communication, teamwork, and decision-making skills that will be useful for post-secondary living and future employment.

In Biology 30, students began their study of the nervous system, learning how the brain and body communicate. They explored the structure and function of neurons, including the role of the myelin sheath, and examined how action potentials form and travel along neurons. Students also learned how signals follow the all-or-none principle, how communication occurs across synapses through neurotransmitters, and how reflex arcs allow the body to respond quickly and automatically. This unit provides a strong foundation for future learning in health sciences and related fields.

Meanwhile, students in Grades 3/4 have recently wrapped up researching Winter Olympic athletes. They gathered information about their chosen athletes' sports, training, and achievements, then created posters to present their findings. Students shared their work during the school assembly with detailed presentations, demonstrating strong effort, clear organization, and growing confidence in public speaking.

More recently, the Grade 3/4 students have been learning about Indigenous and Metis cultures in Saskatchewan. A huge thank you goes out to Mr. Richardson for being a guest speaker and sparking so much curiosity with our students. The pictures throughout the newsletter are from his recent visit!

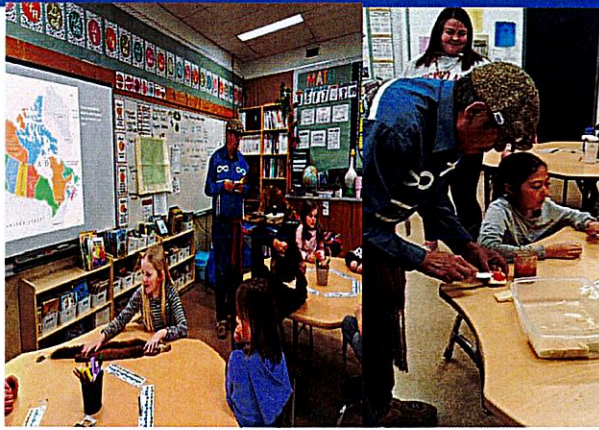
Attitude



Celebrating our student's attitude!

"The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good."

— Samuel Johnson



A's of the Month

Sean was nominated as an A's of the Month recipient for consistently demonstrating a growth mindset in all of his academic pursuits. He shows a high level of maturity by asking thoughtful questions and seeking ways to refine his work, proving a deep commitment to his own learning. Beyond his own studies, Sean is always happy to support younger students, offering guidance and help whenever it is needed. His leadership and willingness to grow make him a standout member of our school. Sean was nominated by his teacher and is recognized for demonstrating **A's Attitude**.

Grace was nominated as an A's of the Month recipient for being an exceptional role model and a dedicated leader in the classroom. While she leads quietly, her strong work ethic and positive attitude speak volumes to those around her. Grace consistently pushes herself beyond expectations, particularly in math, where she eagerly takes on challenges to stretch her thinking. Her kindness, responsibility, and constant drive to excel make her incredibly deserving of this honor. Grace was nominated by her teacher and is recognized for demonstrating **A's Academics**.

Joshua was nominated as an A's of the Month recipient for being a positive, helpful, and energetic presence in the classroom. He is always ready to lend a hand and uses his wonderful sense of humor to create an enjoyable environment for his peers. Joshua balances his fun-loving nature with a serious commitment to his education; he listens intently to feedback and immediately applies it to improve his work. His ability to strive for his best while lifting the spirits of others makes him a joy to learn alongside. Joshua was nominated by his teacher and is recognized for demonstrating **A's Attitude**.



Youth Vaping Cessation & Prevention Kits

The Canadian Vaping Association (CVA) is calling on school boards across Saskatchewan to proactively promote and integrate Health Canada's comprehensive youth vaping education and cessation resources into their school communities. These ready-to-use, evidence-based, age-appropriate materials are immediately available and can be presented in classrooms, parent communications, youth programs, and through community partnerships, to strengthen prevention efforts and support students who may need help quitting.

Focusing on a single, comprehensive prevention and cessation program developed by Health Canada, such as the "I Quit for Me" resources, would ensure consistent messaging and teachings when it comes to youth vaping.

The CVA encourages the use of the Health Canada resources, which are accessible and orderable directly through the Government of Canada website. These materials are designed by Health Canada to help parents, educators, and community leaders clearly explain the science of vaping addiction, have honest conversations about risks, the illicit market, and how to implement practical prevention strategies.

Recent reports from the Canadian Health Survey on Children and Youth point to a sharp decline in vaping among youth to 5.8% in 2024—a 60% decrease from its peak in 2019. We would like to see this decline continue. Help us keep the momentum going by visiting:

<https://bit.ly/3ORCa1Y>

A Legacy of Hope: Fred Fox is Coming to Sun West!

We are absolutely thrilled to share some incredible news with our school community. We have been selected for a very special stop on a cross-Canada "Gratitude Tour."

Fred Fox, brother of the legendary Terry Fox, will be visiting with Lucky Lake students to share personal stories, inspire our students, and celebrate a monumental milestone in Canadian history.

Why This Visit is Special

As a "cherished supporter" of the Terry Fox School Run, our division was hand-picked for this opportunity. Fred's assemblies aren't just history lessons; they are interactive, 45-minute sessions that offer a rare, inside look at what it was like growing up with Terry.

These visits come at a time of massive celebration: the Terry Fox Foundation has officially surpassed **one billion dollars** raised for cancer research!

Fred's visit aims to:

Motivate students ahead of our Terry Fox School Run this fall.
Share intimate stories of Terry's determination and grit.

Give Back by gifting each visited school a library book personally signed by Fred himself.

About Fred Fox

Fred has dedicated his life to preserving his brother's legacy. As a key member of the Terry Fox Foundation, he travels the country to thank the students and staff who keep Terry's dream alive. His visit is a reminder that while Terry started the Marathon of Hope, it is our students who are finishing it.



Athleticism



Celebrating our student's athletic achievements!

"Kindness is a passport that opens doors and fashions friends. It softens hearts and molds relationships that can last a lifetime."

— Joseph B. Wirthlin

2026 SOUTH SECTION JUNIOR & SENIOR BADMINTON SEASON SCHEDULE

JUNIOR INFORMATION

Date	Host Site	Attending Teams
Tuesday, March 3	Dinsmore	Kyle, Beechy
	Lucky Lake	Elrose
Tuesday, March 10	Beechy	Kyle
	Dinsmore	Elrose
Tuesday, March 17	Lucky Lake	Beechy, Dinsmore
	Elrose	Kyle
Tuesday, March 24	Kyle	Elrose
	Beechy	Lucky Lake, Dinsmore
Tuesday, March 31 <i>*Might be used as sub-sectionals-TBD</i>	Kyle	Lucky Lake, Beechy
	Elrose	Dinsmore
Tuesday, April 14	Sectional Playoffs – Elrose hosts *Number of teams dependent on presence/absence of sub-sectionals.	
Tuesday, April 21	District Championships - Biggar *2 teams from each section in each category allowed	

SENIOR INFORMATION

Date	Host Site	Attending Schools
Wednesday, March 4	Lucky Lake	Elrose, Kyle, Beechy, Dinsmore
Wednesday, March 11	Elrose	Kyle, Beechy, Dinsmore
Wednesday, March 18	Dinsmore	Elrose, Lucky Lake
Wednesday, March 25	Kyle	Elrose, Lucky Lake, Beechy
Wednesday, April 1	Beechy	Elrose, Kyle, Lucky Lake, Dinsmore
DATE TBD	Sectional Playoffs – Kyle hosts *2 teams from each school in each category allowed	
Thurs, April 23	District Playoffs – Kindersley *2 teams from each section in each category allowed	
Saturday, May 2	Regional Badminton – Peacock (Moose Jaw) hosts *2 teams from each District in each category advance	
Saturday, May 9	Provincial Championships – Walter Murray Collegiate (Saskatoon) *2 teams from each Regional in each category advance	

Art



Celebrating our student's artistic achievements!

"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle."

— Ian Maclaren



Leave Your Mark: The Annual LLS Hallway Art Gallery Call for Submissions!

Have you ever walked through the halls of Lucky Lake School and stopped to admire the professional-looking artwork lining the walls? That could be your work staring back at you next year.

We are officially opening the call for entries for our Annual Student Art Contest. This isn't just about winning a prize; it's about becoming a permanent part of our school's visual history. Each year, a curated selection of student pieces is chosen to be professionally framed and permanently installed in the hallways of our school.

Why Submit?

This is your chance to move your art from the back of a sketchbook to a high-profile gallery setting. Whether you're a seasoned painter or a digital art hobbyist, this contest celebrates the diversity of talent within our walls.

- **Professional Recognition:** Having your work framed and hung is a massive boost for any budding artist's portfolio.
- **Legacy:** Years from now, students will still be inspired by the pieces you create today.
- **Community:** Help us transform our hallways into a vibrant, living museum that reflects who we are.

How to Enter

Ready to see your name on a gallery plaque? Follow these steps:

1. **Select Your Best Work:** Ensure your piece is finished and "gallery-ready" (no torn edges or smudges).
2. **Fill Out the Entry Form:** Pick up a submission slip from the Office.
3. **The Deadline:** All entries must be submitted to the office by **Friday, June 5, 2026.**

Pro Tip: Think about "Scale and Impact." How will your piece look from across a busy hallway? Bold colors and strong compositions often catch the judges' eyes!

Sun West Multicultural Week

We are excited to announce Sun West Multicultural Week, which will take place from March 15 to 21, 2026! This initiative is an opportunity for schools to recognize, celebrate, and embrace the diverse cultures that make up Sun West!

The purpose is to increase understanding, promote inclusivity, and foster friendships within our school communities from various cultural backgrounds.

For ideas as to how to become involved, we invite you to:

- View the student-created video:

<https://shorturl.at/hzRal>

- Contribute to the Sun West Multicultural Cookbook:

<https://forms.office.com/r/JKz950922i>

Sun West Multicultural Recipe
Book



Recipe collection will be open until April 24.

A TASTE OF SUN WEST

The Sun West Student Leadership Team is looking for your cultural dishes to make a division-wide cookbook! To submit a recipe, scan the QR code!

Open from February 13th to April 24th

BURSARY PROGRAM

GRADUATING THIS YEAR?

Interested in \$2500?

Apply for the **Riverbend Co-op** 2026 Bursary by scanning the QR Code or visit:

bursary.riverbendcoop.com

Application deadline is April 3rd, 2026

GeoVenture 2026

Since 1977, GeoVenture has offered Saskatchewan Teachers the opportunity to experience our mineral resource industry firsthand. In 2026, as SMA celebrates our 60th Anniversary, we invite you to apply for the professional development journey of a lifetime.

GeoVenture offers 7 days of hands-on learning with mine & mill tours (uranium, potash, coal), access to experts, free resources, and more! GeoVenture is expected to run Aug. 08-14, 2026.

A \$50 registration fee applies to selected applicants. Meals, in-trip travel, and hotels are fully sponsored. Admissions are competitive; apply now!

Apply here by **May 27, 2026**

BEYOND THE FEED

Social Media, Identity, and Power in the Digital Age

Express Inspire Connect Youth Conference

03.22.2026

Open to Grades 8-12 Students
Sunday, March 22, 2026
12:00 PM – 4:00 PM (EST)
Virtual Conference

RIPPLE FOUNDATION Presented by Ripple Foundation
Empowering the Next Generation of Leaders

Be part of the conversation
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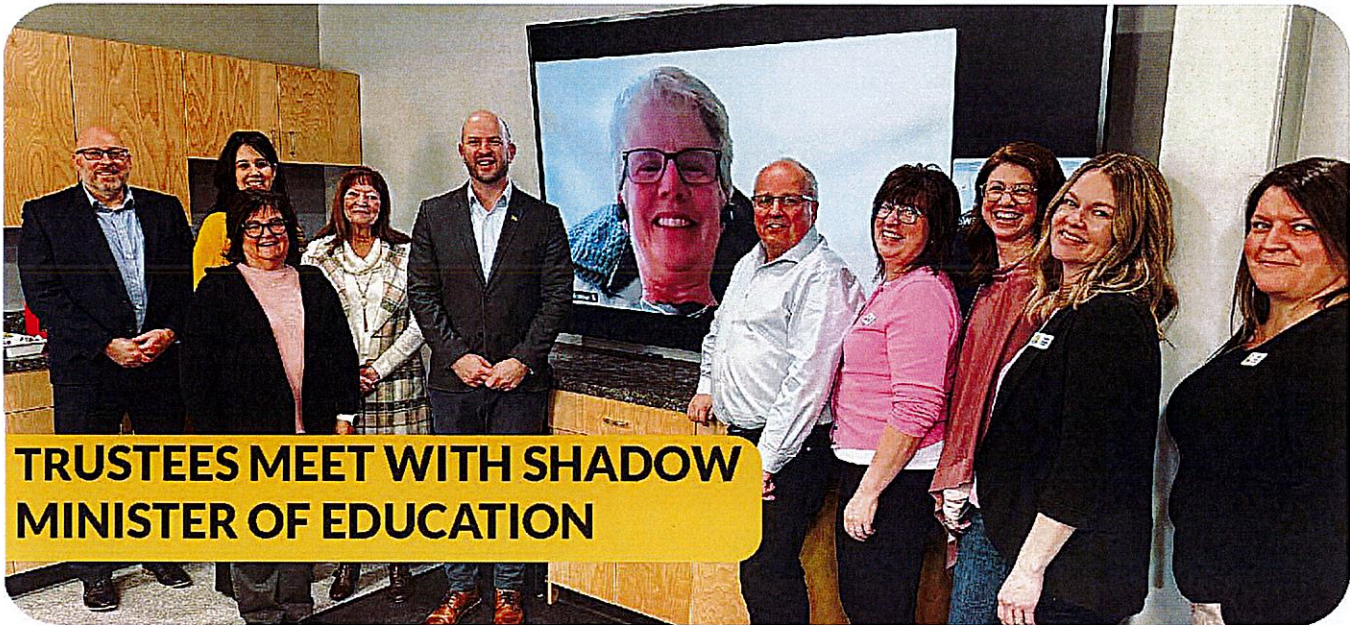


A REPORT FROM SUN WEST SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS



MARCH 2026 EDITION



TRUSTEES MEET WITH SHADOW MINISTER OF EDUCATION

As part of their regular meeting of February 24, Trustees met with Matt Love, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Saskatoon-Eastview and shadow Minister of Education for the Opposition New Democratic Party. The Meeting gave the Trustees the opportunity to familiarize MLA Love with the challenges of delivering education in rural areas as well as some Sun West success stories. Pictures above left to right are: Darryl Seguin (Director of Education), Cathy Laventure (Trustee-Subdivision 3), Michele Whitfield (Board Chair and Trustee-Subdivision 2), Terry Hall (Trustee-Subdivision 5), Matt Love, Cathy Morrow (online, Board Vice-Chair and Trustee-Subdivision 7), Fritz Eckhstein (Trustee-Subdivision 1), Karen Blackwell Jones (Trustee-Subdivision 4), Lindsay Shaw (Trustee-Subdivision 6), Michelle Zacharias (Trustee-Subdivision 8), and Holly Goddard (Trustee-Subdivision 9).

NEW MISSION, VISION, & VALUES ADOPTED

At its regular February 24 meeting, and as part of developing its next long-term strategic plan, Trustees adopted a new mission statement, vision statement, and core values for Sun West School Division. Earlier in year, Sun West staff, students, parents and community members were asked to complete an online survey about the statements and values. Over 500 people participated in the survey with 93% responding positively to the new statements and values, which are:

Mission Statement

To cultivate a learning community that empowers, innovates, and inspires all learners to thrive in a changing world.

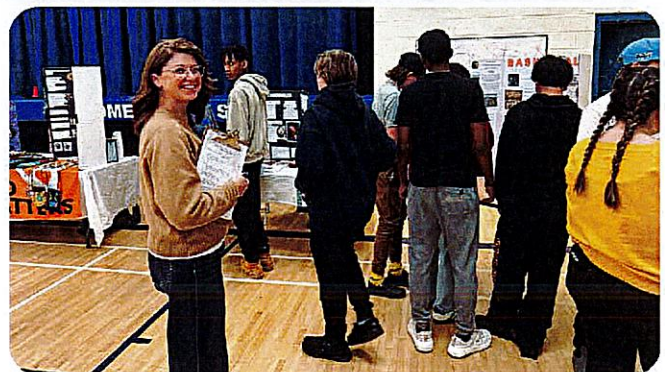
Vision Statement

Spark curiosity, ignite possibilities.

Core Values

Accountability, collaboration, courage, creativity, curiosity, empathy, integrity, leadership, respect, and responsibility.

FEBRUARY 2026 HAPPENINGS & TRUSTEES ARE PART OF YOUR COMMUNITY









At its regular meeting on February 24, Trustees reported on their recent involvement in a number of school activities including Lindsay Shaw (above) who was a judge for the Davidson School Heritage Fair. At the meeting the Trustees also received an extensive report on the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Sun West schools, an update on Budget preparations, and discussed the upcoming Canadian School Boards Association Gathering.



MARCH



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8 Daylight Saving Time Begins & International Women's Day 	2 Day 6 (K) Pi Day Pie Orders Due SLT Prairie Meats Fundraiser Starts	3 Day 1 Jr Badminton Host	4 Day 2 (K) Sr Badminton Host Popcorn Sale \$1 SLT Mtg @ noon	5 Day 3 Jr Badminton prac @ 3:30 Sr Badminton prac @ 6:30	6 Day 4 (K) No Classes: All Staff PD Day	7 14 Pi Day (3.14) 
15 22 World Water Day 	16 No Classes in lieu of Conferences	10 Day 6 (K) Student-Led Conferences 4-7	11 Day 1 Student-Led Conferences 4-7 Popcorn Sale \$1	12 Day 2 (K) Jr Badminton prac @ 3:30 Sr Badminton prac @ 6:30 Pie Sale \$1+ SLT Mtg @ noon Playground Committee Mtg @ 11:45 WEAR PATTERNS	13 20 Day 6 (K) First Day of Spring Term 2 Report Cards Go Home!	21 2026 LUCKY LAKE BINK AUCTION SATURDAY, MARCH 21 HAPPY HOUR 1-3 PM STARTS AT 12:00 PM AUCTION TO FOLLOW 
29 30 Day 6 (K) SLT Prairie Meats Fundraiser Orders Due	23 Day 1 SCC Meeting 5-6:30	17 Day 3 St Patrick's Day Jr Badminton Host Senior Shamrock Activity WEAR GREEN! 	18 Day 4 (K) Assembly @ 11 Sr Badminton @ Dinsmore Popcorn Sale \$1 As Day WEAR YOUR ILS GEAR!	19 Day 5 Eid al-Fitr (sundown) Jr Badminton prac @ 3:30 Sr Badminton prac @ 6:30	27 Day 5 26 Day 4 (K) Jr Badminton prac @ 3:30 Sr Badminton prac @ 6:30	28 In March, Lucky Lake School is celebrating MARCH MATH MADNESS! School-wide weekly activities and interactive bulletins will be explored throughout the month. SLT ACTIVITIES: Wednesday Popcorn Sales: Buy a bag of popcorn for \$1 ea March 12 Pi Day Pie Sale: Buy a slice of pie (a la mode) for \$1 ea slice/scoop March 12 wear as many patterns as you can wear for tessellations! March 17 dress in green day for Saint Patrick's Day March 17 Senior Shamrock Activity March 18 A's Day at the March Assembly
		24 Day 2(K) Jr Badminton @ Beechy SLT Mtg @ noon	25 Day 3 Sr Badminton @ Kyle Popcorn Sale \$1	26 Day 4 (K) Jr Badminton prac @ 3:30 Sr Badminton prac @ 6:30		
		31 Day 1 Jr Badminton @ Kyle Special Event: Fred Fox Visits LLS!  TERRY FOX FOUNDATION				