



# St. Louis Elementary School Newsletter

## February 2026



Dear Families,

It is hard to believe February is underway and we are already looking ahead to Winter Carnival. As we know from this past weekend, February weather can be deceptively cold as we not only experience colder weather, but also wind chills. Please ensure your children are dressed for the cold and the wind as we try to get outside as much as possible. In winter months we go outside in below zero weather. **The cut off for going outside is anything colder than -19.** Thanks!

### Valentine's Day

Students are welcome to bring Valentine's in to be shared with their class. Also, for anyone sending in treats - we are asking that the **treats must be nut free**. You may want to touch base with your child's teacher regarding any class specific allergies/requests.

### Candy Grams

We will be selling Candy Grams on Friday Feb 6<sup>th</sup> & Monday Feb 9<sup>th</sup>. They will be delivered on Thursday Feb 12<sup>th</sup> for Valentine's Day. Candy Grams are 50 cents each.

### Winter Carnival

We will be having some fun activities and theme days during Winter Carnival Week.

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> - Rodd Mill River for K-3 & Brookvale for 4-6

Feb 18<sup>th</sup> - Camo Day

Feb 19<sup>th</sup> - Hoodie/Oodie/Warm & Cozy Day

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> - Crazy Hat/Hair Day

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> - Winter Wellness Day – Goofy Olympics \* Outdoor & Indoor activities at the school. **A hot lunch of Grilled Cheese Sandwiches and Tomato Soup will be served.** So, for those who order the hot-lunch **program**, there will not be a need to order for that day if your child likes grilled cheese and tomato soup.

Students will be at the RODD and Brookvale on Feb 17<sup>th</sup> and will be participating in a variety of outdoor activities as part of our Winter Carnival Week. **Students will need to dress warm on this day (hat, mitts, snow pants, etc.)**. For those students going to the RODD, they will be participating in tubing, horse - sleigh rides and skating. All students will have the chance to warm up inside with a hot chocolate break! Those students who choose to skate will need to bring skates and helmets. Many thanks to the staff as well as the home and school members who helped make this day possible.

### Dates to Remember:

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> – School Goals Day (No Classes)

Feb 16<sup>th</sup> - Islander Day (No classes)

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – Winter Carnival

Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - Pink Shirt Day

March 6<sup>th</sup> - Parent & Teacher Interviews (No Classes)

March 16<sup>th</sup> - March 20<sup>th</sup> - Midterm Break (No Classes)

April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Good Friday (No Classes)

April 6<sup>th</sup> - Easter Monday (No Classes)

April 10<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day (No Classes)

### Trading Cards

We ask that trading cards (hockey cards, Pokémon cards, etc.) not come to school as it is impossible to keep track of which cards belong to which students in the event of a disagreement. Thanks, 😊

### Pink Shirt Day

~**Pink Shirt Day** Canada 2026 is on **February 25<sup>th</sup>** **Let's work together to end bullying and spread kindness!** A new Pink Shirt Project for high schools urges youth to create a kindness inspired project for their school or community. Students conceive of and implement their very own ideas for spreading good! For more information go to: <https://pinkshirtdaycanada.ca/>

### **Staff Appreciation Days**

It's a great thing when we can show our appreciation to teachers and staff during the school year! As we've done the past few years, we will do this over 2 weeks to help spread things out a bit for our volunteers!

We will be ordering things in and delivering them to the school on the following dates:

Feb 3 & 5 (Tues & Thurs)

Feb 11 & 13 (Wed & Fri)

If you want to help financially – you can e-transfer to: [stlouishomeandschool@outlook.com](mailto:stlouishomeandschool@outlook.com)

If you want to help with your time – please reach out to Raeanne Arsenault or Lacey Simmons 😊

Thanks everyone!!

From all of us on the Home & School Committee! ❤️

### **Home and School Newsletter, February 2026**

#### **🌀 Say 'Thank You' to School Staff**

PEI celebrates Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week, February 8–14, 2026. Across the Island, Home and School Associations — together with parents and students — are expressing their gratitude and recognizing the dedication and hard work of school staff who make a difference every day. From educators who inspire a love of learning, to educational assistants, custodians, bus drivers, admin. assistants, and administrators who keep schools caring, safe, and welcoming — every staff member helps create a positive environment where students can learn, grow, and succeed.

#### **🌀 Annual Reports**

President's Annual Reports are due February 28 for inclusion in the 73rd Annual Book of Reports. Include activities for this school year, starting in Sept. through to the end of June. Read last year's 'Book of Reports 2025' for writing tips at: <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>.

If you need help, call Shirley at 902-620-3186 or Jeana at 902-620-3187.

#### **🌀 Mark your calendars for AGM April 18th**

Mark your calendars for the P.E.I. Home and School Federation's Annual General Meeting on Saturday, April 18, 2026, at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel. Make decisions to shape positive changes in PEI's school system with delegates from across the Island. The Federation will mail AGM registration packages to presidents in February. Details will be posted at <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

#### **🌀 Home and School Volunteer Award**

Every school has that special someone who's always ready to lend a hand - organizing events, helping out in the school, fundraising or bringing people together. Do you know a volunteer who makes a real difference in your school community? Nominate them for the *Home and School Volunteer of the Year Award* and help us celebrate their contributions.

Deadline for nominations: March 6th. Learn more at: <https://peihsf.ca/awards/>

**🌀 Pink Shirt Day, Feb. 25, 2026.** This year's design for CKNW Kids' Fund Pink Shirt Day reminds us to 'Sprinkle Kindness'. The artwork shows a child sharing an umbrella with friends as hearts fall like rain from the sky. A playful reminder that kindness grows when it is shared. For more information, go to:

<https://pinkshirtdaycanada.ca/>

