## **CAMILLA NEWS**



# FEBRUARY 2024





In the next few weeks our Grade 4 and 7 students will be asked to complete the annual Assurance Measures Survey. This is from Alberta Education and distributed by the Government of Alberta. Time will be given in class for the students to complete the surveys. Also, all parents of Grade 4 and 7 students will receive a link to the survey. We ask that you take a few minutes to provide your valuable feedback. All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with the school. Please take time to carefully complete these surveys. We appreciate your feedback as we use the results to help create our goals and long term plans.

On Tuesday, February 13th at 6:30pm we will be hosting our Pre K / Kindergarten open house. Please share with potential Camilla families.

> I wish everyone a great February! Kevin





## **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### February 7

Hot Lunch - Mr.Sub

#### February 8-9 No Classes

**Teachers Convention** 

#### February 13

PreK & Kindergarten Open House 6:30pm

#### **February 16**

No Kindergarten

#### February 19 No Classes

Family Day

#### February 20

CSC Meeting 6:00pm CSSA Meeting 7:30pm

#### February 21

No PreK

#### February 22

Hot Lunch - Dairy Queen

#### February 23

Jr. Basketball Tournament Camilla / Namao

#### February 29

Kindergarten K1/K2 Gymnastics Field Trip Grade 9 SCHS Tour

Please visit camillaschool.ca as we update the school calendar on a regular basis



Don't forget to email camabsences@sturgeon.ab.ca. when your child is away!

## **January Highlights**









Our Grade 5 classes loved their in school field trip with Mr.Boyko. They enjoyed building circuits and creating their electric powered model cars.





# **January Highlights**

Our Grade 5 Students have been able to help our kindergarten's during their skating block!



## **January Highlights**

#### **Camilla Basketball**

Basketball is underway and everyone is have a great season! Teams have competed in a couple tournaments and have done really well!







#### School Counsellor Newsletter

Laura Ragosin, M.Ed.

February 2024

Camilla School

#### This Month: Kindness/ Empathy

What will kindness do for my child?

Doing good is not only beneficial for the person on the receiving end and those who witness the kind action, but also for the givers of kindness. When we are kind and intentionally perform acts of kindness, we get a boost in our own wellbeing and happiness. It feels good to help others and it helps us focus on the positive things in our lives. It's a win-win!

- MINDNESS TIP #1: As we start this month with our fingers crossed for some spring weather, remember kindness is a choice. In fact, it can be extremely uplifting to give it out freely to everyone. Remember most people are fighting their own complex battle that has led them to the point where they may be rude, close minded or angry. Show your kids how powerful it can be to give kindness to the people who seem to deserve it least. Most often they are the people who need it most. Now that's empowering!
- KINDNESS TIP #2: Choose a family 'helping' project. When we perform acts of kindness or help others our brain releases dopamine, oxytocin and endorphins that scientists refer to as the "helpers high". These endorphins make us feel good and our body craves this good feeling.

Kindness is a great way to give our brain what it craves in a healthy way and help others while we are at it. Children have an innate desire to use kindness and this grows over time if we can nurture it along the way. Start by making family acts of kindness a priority in your house. Choose a project or charity that you can all get involved in together and commit to making this an important and regular part of your family's schedule. These charitable efforts on a regular basis will strengthen your child's ability to use kindness and may even help to replace some of the less healthy habits they are pulled towards such as their devices. In addition, the "helpers high" is an ideal hormonal environment in the brain for family bonding. So, if you are pondering how to connect to your moody teen, this could be a place to start. Get them involved in choosing the project they care most about for the best results.



We will be recognizing Pink Shirt Day on Feb. 28th. We invite our students to wear a pink shirt to show that they are against bullying. We highlight this day as part of our ongoing teaching about relationship skills and kindness.

There are various online organizations that sell pink shirts to support others.

Some of them are:

https://www.pinkshirtday.ca https://indigenouspinkshirt.com/ https://pinkshirtdaycanada.ca

# PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE



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## **CSC/CSSA ANNOUCEMENTS**

#### What is the CSC and when/where do we meet?

CSC stands for Camilla School Council. As the School Council, our role is to collaborate with parents, teachers, staff and students in supporting members of the school community by providing advice and consult with the principal and the school board.

We work directly with the CSSA (Camilla School Support Association) to collectively work together to enhance the student experience at Camilla School.

#### Meet your CSC Representatives!

Chairperson - Shallen Moore Vice Chairperson - Amanda Paquette Secretary - Veronica Schoenberger Communications - Blaire Borle

#### **Our Next Meeting:**

February 20, 2024 6:00pm @ Camilla School Everyone is welcome!

Please feel free to reach out to us at any time at camillaschoolcouncil@gmail.com.

#### What is the CSSA and when/where do we meet?

The Camilla School Support Association is the incorporated not-for-profit association that handles the fundraising and distribution of the proceeds, to enhance the environment and student experience at Camilla School. If you would like to become a CSSA member or have any questions, please email us at <a href="mailto:CSSACamilla@gmail.com">CSSACamilla@gmail.com</a>

#### Meet your CSSA Representatives!

President - Lauren Whitson
Vice President - Penny Fisher
Treasurer - Carol Nelson
Secretary - Megan Schwandt
Casino Chair- Bonnie Borle
Grant Chair - Marla Zubiak
Directors at Large - Deb Rowbotham,
Robyn Sheehan

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#### **Up-Coming Events:**

Glow Dance! March 1, 2024 from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

Buy your advance tickets via EFT or at the door (cash only) - Poster details to follow. We are looking for volunteers for the dance. Please email laurenwhitson1@gmail.com if you can help out.

#### Thank you!!!

All proceeds of the Christmas Store went to the Morinville Food Bank. Thank you to everyone who supported it and a very big thank you to Veronica Schoenberger for organizing and running it!

Another big thank you to all the volunteers that came out to help for the pancake breakfast.



### **CSSA NEWS**

Ongoing Fundraisers:

Boston Pizza – Continue to collect your BP's original receipts and we get a 5% rebate! Mabel's Labels - go to http://campaigns.mabelslabels.com -Choose "Camilla School Support Association"

#### **Upcoming Fundraisers:**

At our November meeting, we selected Calahoo Meats as our vendor for our spring fundraiser.

#### **Recent Disbursements:**

January Grab -n-Go - \$106.47 Coffee Cart - \$32.24 Pancake Breakfast - \$415.26 Teacher's Treat Day - 179.55 Morinville Food Bank - \$921.20



CAMILLA SCHOOL COUNCIL

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MAR.O1 FRIDAY
6:30 PM-8:30 PM

TICKETS SOLD IN ADVANCE VIA EFT:CSSACAMILLA@GMAIL.COM \$7/PERSON \$25/FAMILY AT THE DOOR \$10/PERSON \$30/FAMILY

Wear White or Neon Colors! GLOW DANCE

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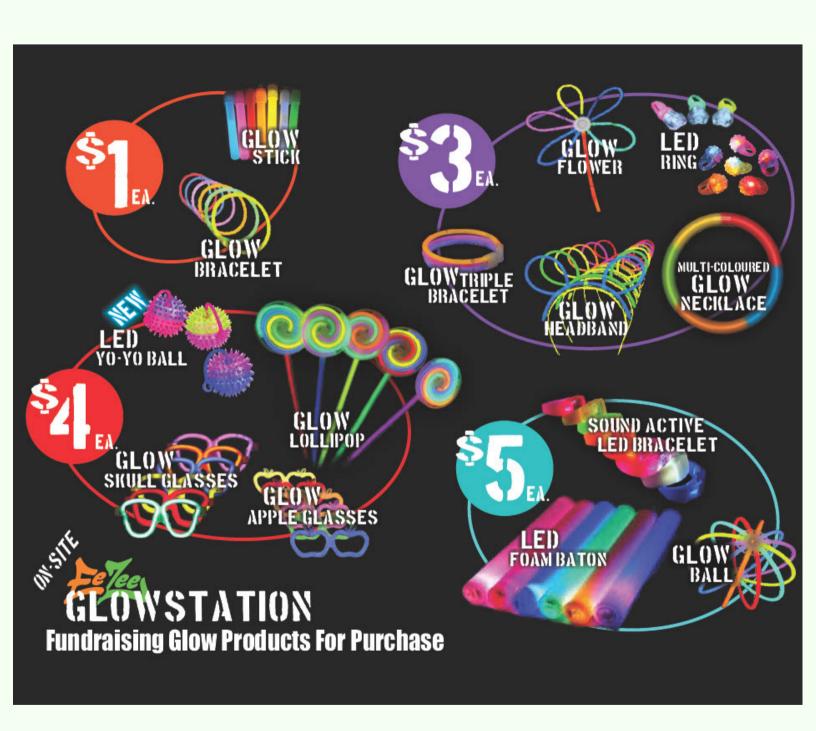
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NOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

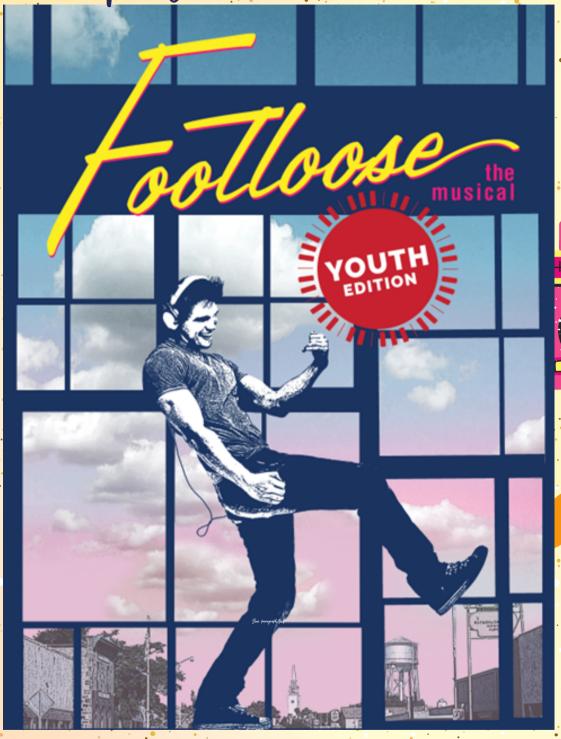


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# Camilla School Ovesents



The Grades 4-9 students at Camilla School have been working hard to put on a fantastic show!!

May 8 & 9, 2024

Morinville Community Cultural Center