

South Shore News

December 2015

Special points of interest:

- School Christmas concerts take place Dec.2 - FGT Family Church @ 6:30 pm; Dec.4—Mennonite Home @ 10:00 am; Dec.6—First Baptist Kingsville @ 11:00 am
- Dec.11—Christmas menu cookie and pastry order pick-up
- Dec.21—Jan.1—Christmas holidays—no school!

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From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Parents,

The gifts of Christmas is the theme for our Christmas concert this year. The following paragraphs and poetry reflect the thoughts of our Gr.7/8 students as they contemplate the ultimate Christmas gift to us, Jesus Christ. May we consider both the manger and the cross as we celebrate the birth of our Lord.

We wish you all a blessed Christmas!

Christmas is Our Gift

Have you been waiting for Christmas all year? Well, I have. Christmas is not all about presents. It's about Jesus who is our gift from God and who was born in a manger and died on a cross for our sins.

- Brandon F., Gr.7

Our Gift

Jesus is our Gift,
He makes us want to lift
Up our hands to praise
And raise Him up.

Wise Men

Travelling from afar,
The wise men saw a star,
They shook their heads that night,
Oh! What a wonderful sight!

Star

Beautiful night,
Oh, what a sight;
To see a star;
In the distance, from afar.

Christmas

Christmas is a time of year
When we can celebrate everywhere
Giving and receiving gifts,
Praising the name of Jesus!

- Samantha W., Gr.7

This is Christmas

There once was a Christmas Eve,
This is where we started to believe,
Where Jesus was born in a manger,
He is King today and is no stranger.

- Michael H., Gr.8

The Wise Men Travelled

The wise men travelled from afar,
They followed the star, so, so far.
The star was bright in the night,
But the brightest light was Jesus Christ.

- Zack M., Gr.7

The Gift of Christ

God came to Mary with a promise
He gave her a son to call Jesus
She accepted it with a certain kind of calmness
The world was saved through Jesus Christ
He died so we could have eternal life
He was the lamb that was sacrificed
So we could be saved and be with God

- Rueben B., Gr.8

Christmas Menu

Our Christmas Menu fundraiser has been successful, with over \$6000 in Christmas orders of wreaths, Mennonite sausage and baked goods. While the wreaths and sausage have already been delivered, we're waiting for the Dec.11 delivery of baked goods. Pictured to the right are our apple pie bakers: Leona Knelsen, Mary Wiebe, Lena Berg and Lisa Friesen (with Seleah's help!) Thanks, Moms, for giving of your time and expertise!





After an outing at Miss Bishop's house, our Gr.5/6 girls proudly display their clay poppy pins in honour of Remembrance Day.

More Christmas Thoughts...

Like a Beacon in the Sky

Like a beacon in the sky
It lit the way
Through day and night
A path it lay

A light combined
Of planets and stars
Which lead the Wise Men
From afar

Astronomers who watched
The currents of the heavens
Brought fine gifts
Of silver and myrrh
When Christ was born
On that day

The earth rejoiced
Still to this day
Let this Christmas
Be something special
As we celebrate together
The Lord's great favour.

- Naomi S., Gr.7

JESUS

Jis for joy because without joy
there wouldn't be a reason to
live.

E is for everlasting that means
Jesus will never die, He is al-
ways with us.

S is for Savior, Jesus saved us
from sin and He died even
though we deserved to be on
the cross.

U is for unappreciated, Jesus is
unappreciated around the
world because people thought
He was just a man and didn't
do anything great.

S is for sacrificed, He died for
our sins so we could ask for
forgiveness for our sins.

- Justin W., Gr.8

Joy is what I have on
Christmas Day.

Everlasting life is what
you get when you to
heaven. He

Saved us from sin when
He died on the cross.

Jesus has

Ultimate power every
day. Jesus sent the

Holy

Spirit which is in your
heart.—Derrick F., Gr.7

Student of the Month

On Nov.27, we celebrated the
achievements of students who
displayed a love of and exper-
tise in reading.

Congratulations to JK—Evan
B; SK—Katriella O.; Gr.1—
Marissa W.; Gr.2—Ciarra B.;
Gr.3—Emily S.; Gr.4—Keira F;
Gr.5—Hannah D.; Gr.6—Myra
T.; Gr.7—Derrick F.; Gr.8—
Rueben B.



South Shore's Compassion Child



Meet Aaron David Vanegas Melendez, our Compassion Child.

This month, South Shore
adopted Aaron David Vanegas
Melendez as our Compassion
Child. Aaron was born Sept.
30, 2008 and resides in Quito,
Ecuador with his family. Ecu-
ador is a Spanish-speaking coun-
try in South America.

Doing household chores and
running errands are part of his
daily activities. For fun, Aaron
enjoys bicycling and playing
group games. He attends Bible
class regularly and is in kinder-

garten.

Our sponsorship allows the
staff of Pan de Vida Student
Center to provide Aaron with
Bible teaching, medical check-
ups, health education, nutri-
tious meals, special celebra-
tions, academic support and
vocational training. The center
staff will also provide health
education and parenting educa-
tion for Aaron's parents.

Aaron would love to receive
letters from his supporters. If
you would like to write him,
we would be happy to forward
your correspondence!

Aaron's photo and information
are posted on the bulletin
board in the school foyer.

Our love and support help
Aaron to receive the assistance
he needs to develop his poten-
tial. Please pray for him.