<u>Principal's Report – February 3, 2020</u> (*rescheduled from Jan. 28/20)

1. **Financial**: Report of Expenditures to date:

i. Tech/STEM: \$6,726.90 (25 Chromebooks + 3 microscopes; additional microscopes pending)

ii. Sport Club/Tournament fees: \$388.59

iii. Student Appreciation: \$532.21

iv. Special/Community Events: \$33.70

v. Compassion Fund: \$210.85 vi. Lit/Num/Catholicity: \$314.58

vii. Arts: \$123.75

viii. Gym/Recess Equip: \$1230.76

ix. ECO Club: \$44.07

2. School Fundraising balances as of Jan. 28, 2020

i. Fundraising General & Dance-a-thon: \$6,626.77 (\$4,798.20+\$1,828.57)

ii. Dance-a-thon General: \$1,828.57

iii. Milk: \$6,980.60iv. Pizza: \$8,741.27

Believing - Catholicity

1. Scrapbooking Club made cards for Canadian Forces

2. Students making Valentines for our Vets

3. Letter of *thanks* from St. Vincent De Paul to St. Luke Community received for Angel Tree donations

4. Shrove "Pancake" – Feb. 25: pancakes for all students

5. Ash Wednesday liturgy with Father Con: Feb. 26 at 10:30 am. in school gym

6. School Reconciliation – Lent: March 26 (at school): 9:15-10:10 am. & 1:00-2:05 pm.

7. Lenten *Me to We* Initiative: **Global impact**: **Rafiki Bracelets** - students will fundraise to make a life-changing impact in the lives of others. 50% of sales will go directly back to the mamas in Kenya who handcraft the Rafiki bracelets, empowering female artisans by enabling them to earn a fair wage for their work. The other 50% of sales will go towards helping another village in need. Before making their decision, the grade 7&8 WE ambassadors will research and decide which important global pillar, like Water or Education, they'd like to donate. Rafiki sales will run from February 3rd to March 6th. The information about ordering bracelets will sent home with each child. **Local impact**: **Socks 4 Souls** drive for the homeless. From February 10th to April 6th, students will be invited to donate new socks for our Sock Drive. At the end of the campaign, the socks will be donated to the non-profit charitable organization, *Socks 4 Souls*, who will deliver the socks to the homeless throughout Southern Ontario.

Achieving - Curriculum

- 1. Black History Awareness Month: Steel Drumming Presentation on Jan. 30th for Kinder to gr. 8; historical events shared on morning announcements and class activities
- 2. Feb. 14 P.A. Day: focus on Equity and Inclusion professional development
- 3. First Term Report Cards go home Feb. 19
- 4. Public Speaking School Competition: March 4 at 12:30 pm. Speeches should include a clear and meaningful faith component or connection.

Belonging – *Promoting Student Well-Being*

- 1. Thank you to Principal For-a-Day winner Elizabeth A. for putting in a hard day's work!
- 2. Clubs & Teams this term: Model UN, Caribou Math Club, Coding Club, Book Club (gr. 3-8), Social Club (see below), Scrapbooking Club; Musical, Band, Choir and Senior Boys & Girls basketball teams
- 3. Parking Lot traffic/update:











- Town regulates signs (handicap, no stopping, no parking) and what goes on signs cost of fines not included on signs; signs are standard across all schools. Reminders to parents to slow down and be patient while driving through the parking lot, especially at peek times arrival and dismissal;
- b. Traffic concerns reported to our Liaison Officer and Halton Traffic unit/by-law office
- c. Parking Lot updates:
 - i. Spring painting: Left & Right turn arrows for driveway Exit
 - ii. Curb adjustments to allow for wider turn
 - iii. Continued communication to community to slow down in driveway, obey signs
- 4. ECO Team initiative: *Design a T-Shirt* competition open to all students design will convey a message that speaks to the heart and makes people want to care for our planet. Designs due to Ms. Leahy by Jan. 31st.
- 5. Safe & Accepting Schools:
 - a. See the Problem Be the Solution initiative: Grades 6-8 classes are working on projects which will be submitted on February 24th. The winner will go on to represent our school at the Board-wide level.
 - b. Mental Health *Parent Tip of the Month* feature: check out school website for monthly tips on how to talk about mental health with your child
 - c. Feb. 13: Liaison Officer Lindsay Brown presentation to grade 6-8 students: Cyberbullying & Social Media awareness
 - d. Save the Date: Raising Resilient Children with Sherry Campbell at STA 7:00-9:00 pm
 - e. PAWS4Stories: reading with "Callie"
 - f. PALS Activities: each Tuesday at lunch recess: led by Gr. 6s and Mrs. Paul (CYC) for primary students.
 - g. Social Club with Mrs. Paul at lunch recess on alternate Thursdays: Lego, colouring, cards, cooperative games designed to provide students with an opportunity to build social skills through play
 - h. Healthy Eating: Salad bar continues to be well received with 58 participants this term.
 - 6. See what's happening in the classrooms and school @StLukeOakville; for more about school events and information see http://elem.hcdsb.org/stluke



