

### St. Joseph's

by Susan Liddbury and Cora Buna

The girls played at St. Peter's last Thursday. They played some very tough games and came in fourth place.

The boys had better luck in their volleyball games and are going into the semi-finals.

The school is preparing for our Christmas concert. Many children will be participating.

Mr. Briggs is in the hospital. We hope he will be back soon. In the meantime Mr. McGeragle is acting principal.

On December 1 a school Mass was held for the advent season.

Pro-Life Christmas cards are on sale here at the school. Mrs. Graham has volunteered to assist here in viewing the cards. Orders may be placed and deliveries can be made in a two day period.

Parents are asked to visit the school and rummage through the lost and found for missing articles. After this Friday clothing will be given to charity.

The kindergartens are working on their Christmas and advent themes. For

advent every good deed done by one child to another allows them to color an ornament on the tree. They are also sewing together paper stockings.

Mrs. Munkaesi's class is preparing for the Christmas concert and Mass. In math the grade one's and two's are working on the value of coins and money.

The grade two's and three's are decorating their classroom with holly and a tree for Christmas. In math they are studying shapes. Miss Grins' class made trees of advent offerings. Each circle is made. This Friday the grade fours and fives are having a classroom Mass to celebrate the Feast of Immaculate Conception.

Ancient Egypt is being studied by the grade fives and sixes. The grade fives are studying fractions and the sixes division of decimals for math.

The grade seven's and eight's are continuing working on their project of fund raising for Quebec. Keep up the good work in language.

The documentary history of separate schools in Ontario is being studied.



THE ACTON "A" CUB PACK recently invested a number of cubs into its ranks. In the front row, going left to right, is Kevin Fabian, Patrick Johnston, Allan Boyle, Joshua Caswell and Harvey Lott. In the rear stands Evan Hayter on the left with Rob Murray, Kenneth Phillip, Michael Dawkins, Jason Dodd and Spencer Smith.

### Robert Little news

by Brenda Bossert Lisa Lanthier and Megan Elliott

Robert Little Christmas concert will be held on Dec. 13 and 14. All the classes are busy practising the plays and music they will be performing. Some of the classes have been making and painting scenery for their plays. Everyone hopes that all the parents will be able to see our

Christmas concert. Christmas decorations have been put up in the front hall. They look very nice. Some of the primary classes even have Christmas trees.

Grade five boys have started playing floor hockey every Wednesday at 3.30.

Two new reporters Lisa Lanthier and Megan Elliott are now helping to report Robert Little news.

### Speyside

by Tim Pollen

Speyside did very well in the Acton Santa Claus parade. They placed third and missed second by just two points. About 30 students participated on the float whose theme was Peter Pan.

Mr. Coe grade four and five teacher has started European handball teams. There are three teams involved made up of grade four, five and six students. The games are played on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the middle recess 11.45 to 12.15. Mr. Coe is also thinking about starting floor hockey or volleyball sometime after Christmas.

Speyside is a busy place

### High school band part of exchange

Last Saturday, the Acton High School Concert band and AHS stage band, Free Spirit, returned from a successful band exchange with Char-Lan District High School in Williamstown.

During their three-day visit to this rural community near the Ontario-Quebec border, band members performed an hour-long assembly for the high school, toured the historical sites in the area and held a combined concert with the host school's band. The community gave a warm welcome to the band and both the assembly and the concert were well-attended.

The Acton and Char-Lan bands were similar in many ways and a real camaraderie developed. Friday evening's concert was followed by skating, a hayride and a party at the farm of Greer MacDonald. By Saturday morning, many found it hard to say good-bye to their new friends.

Next May, Actonians will have an opportunity to hear the Char-Lan Band when they visit here. Acton High School Band members have begun their planning to assure that this exchange will be as enjoyable and as musically successful as the first.

### Acton High notes

by Janet Rowe

Plans for the Christmas assembly are now in full swing, with hopes of making it just as enjoyable as past Christmas assemblies.

The school store, known as the Closet, is all stocked up for Christmas. The Closet has Christmas specials on games, puzzles, books and toys. With the Closet right in the school, students are able to purchase Christmas gifts there, which is very convenient for them.

Last Wednesday at Acton High our principal Wally Watkins and Bert Hinton presented awards to students with the highest marks in certain courses. For year one English Greg Silcock and Glenn Van Hijk each received \$15 which was donated by First Line TV. Greg Silcock also received \$25 for year one Science, this award was donated by Beardmore and

Company. For year two English, Vincent Lee received \$25, donated by Caroline Nurseries. Year Two Family Studies award, was donated by I.G.A., Yvonne Blain received \$25 for the highest mark, Jim Britton received \$25 for year two technical, the award was donated by Canadian Tire Corporation.

Kara Rosenquist received the year two French award, donated by Nielsen's Clothing and the Year Two Environmental Science award which was donated by Industmin. Mark Sawden received \$25 for year three Biology. The award was donated by Dr. J. Facey. A prize was donated by Denny's

insurance, and was presented to Jay MacFarlane for the highest mark in year three accounting. Diane Baginski received \$25 for year four Family Studies, the award was donated by Gal's Pals Ladies Wear. Great thanks is extended to all who donated prizes or awards.

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### Local photo places first

John Bobiel, of Acton, won first prize in one of the black and white photography categories in the first Industmin Link photo contest.

Mr. Bobiel's entry topped the inanimate category. The photograph has trees and an assortment of deadwood in the foreground against the lighter colored background of a river. The photo is aptly entitled "Riverside".

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### M.Z. Bennett

by Trevlynn Mason

There will be a Christmas concert held at our school on December 13 and 14. All classes are practising skits and other acts to present to their parents.

now and December 22. Last Thursday, Room 10 had a successful bake sale. They are raising money for a Christmas project. These pupils will be travelling to Hornby, where they will put on a Christmas presentation for several mentally handicapped people at the Adult Rehabilitation Centre. Their teacher, Mrs. Carlos, has organized similar programs for these people for the past few years, using her pupils at Fairview school, where she taught before coming to M.Z. Bennett.

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