

# Girls' basketball team heating up the courts

**MCKENZIE-SMITH BENNETT**

BY CHRIS RIVERS, KIM LINDSAY, NICOLE RUDAT & ANDRE ADAMS

Mr. Waitson's class 51 is performing experiments to examine the properties of water, and is putting the finishing touches on the class Hypercard stacks. The class is creating a computer game using Hypercard. Students are studying ancient Rome and modern-day Italy. This game will help them learn more about this topic.

The majority of the class is also involved with either the junior boys' or junior girls' volleyball teams. They practise three times a week and the coaches report significant improvement.

Chrissy Pereira, Lindsay Almand, Ruth Eddolls, Jenn Norman and Ashlyn Timukas are the starters for the girls' basketball team. They are in third place and are very close to moving up to second place. They play in Tier 1 and right now are battling for the

championship. The girls are having an outstanding season and hope to finish on top.

Although the boys' basketball team has not experienced the taste of victory as yet, they have improved considerably. Their offence is averaging over 35 points per game and their defence is starting to come together. They played Brookville in Tier 2 semi-finals yesterday (Tuesday), but results weren't available at press time.

Our Grade 6s are going on their ski trip next Monday and our Grade 7s and 8s go skiing on March 6.

Last week, students from the Drop-In Centre and the Breakfast Club sold carnations and candies on Valentine's Day, to raise money for both programs. Thanks to supporters, the groups raised about \$135. Way to go!



**SILENT AUCTION:** Brenda LaRose and her five-year-old daughter Linda put in their bid for a teddy bear at Trinity United Church's recent silent auction social. (Eve Martin photo)

# We're the champs!

**ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS**

BY MARKO TONKOVICH & MARCUS DAGENAIS

Our girls' basketball team is in an awesome first place after defeating Holy Rosary 36-26. This makes them North Halton champs. Way to go girls!

Congratulations to the members of our school choir. They are participating in a concert at the Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts on Sunday at the 1:30 and 3:30 pm shows. The shows are conducted by the famous singer Lenny Graf. Good luck to all the participants.

Next week, the Grade 7s and 8s will be fundraising for their trips to Ottawa and Camp Tanamakoon. They will be selling delicious cookie dough, flavoured hot chocolate and gourmet coffee.

The Valentine's dance and bake sale were very successful.

Our Grade 2s received the sacrament of Reconciliation. Later this spring they will make their first Holy Communion. May God bless all the Grade 2s.

We had 12 public speakers perform in front of the school. The winner was Kaitlin McDonald, and Brian Worfolk was runner up. The speeches were great. Thanks to all the judges and to Mr. Caverley and Mrs. Vouture.

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# Students visit the post office

**ROBERT LITTLE NEWS**

BY SAM MILLS & TROY ETHIER

Our Acton Post Office was certainly a busy place. The Junior and Senior Kindergartens paid a visit to learn what goes on in a post office. They learned how people sort the mail and saw mailboxes, mailbags and conveyor belts, which help with the sorting. They talked about why we put stamps on letters and were told about the different mail routes. The Kindergartens are learning about people in our community and they even have their own post offices in their classrooms.

Grade 1 children participated in a Nature in Winter program at Mountsberg Conservation Area. We talked to two students to find out what they learned. Did you know that rabbits have big feet so they don't get stuck in the snow? They saw a special bird feeder that was like a little apartment building. They also enjoyed a puppet show about birds.

Mrs. Savage's groups of Grade 4 and 5 students are right in the middle of making their puppets for the upcoming plays. Materials are paint, paper mache, wooden spoons, clay and lots of others. The end products will be rod puppets, box or wooden spoon puppets, masks and more. The children are very busy and are having a terrific time.