

Weekender

# Children's Page

## It's their special day

### School honors patron saint



There was much activity at St. Joseph's Separate School, Uxbridge, Wednesday, when staff and students celebrated St. Joseph's Day. One of the participants was six-year-old Melissa Thomas of Grade 1.

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## St. Joseph's Day

By ERKKI POHJOLAINEN  
With St. Patrick's Day in the limelight, St. Joseph's Day on March 19 can easily be overlooked. But not at the Uxbridge school named after the carpenter. To celebrate their patron saint's trade, all students at St. Joseph's Separate School spent the first hour of Wednesday working with wood instead of books. Principal John D'Costa said this is the fourth year the date has been commemorated in this way. Students from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 were busy with glue, nails, hammer and saw,

while older students, from Grades 7 and 8, helped out as required. The handy-work ranged from doll house furniture to miniatures of sky scrapers. And perhaps most importantly, the children had fun while the din of pounding hammers and laughter rang through the halls. The afternoon began with an hour of skating at the arena. Older students helped the younger ones with their skates and all had a great time. This outing was sponsored by the St. Joseph's Parents' Guild.



Linda Hamilton, 6, (left), and Leslie Giasson, 13, are busy building a play set for Linda's dolls.



Brendan Heffernan, 11, (left), assisted by Chris Dickerson, 11, (centre), and Derik Ravitch, 10, construct a miniature rocking chair.



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